

*Credit Amount for a Qualified Facility Placed in Service before January 1, 2022:* As required by section 45(b)(2), the 1.5 cent amount provided in section 45(a)(1) is adjusted by multiplying such amount by the inflation adjustment factor for the calendar year in which the sale occurs. If any amount as increased under section 45(b)(2) is not a multiple of 0.1 cent, such amount is rounded to the nearest multiple of 0.1 cent. In the case of electricity produced in open-loop biomass facilities, landfill gas facilities, trash facilities, qualified hydropower facilities, and marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy facilities, section 45(b)(4)(A) requires the amount in effect under section 45(a)(1) for such calendar year (before rounding to the nearest 0.1 cent as required by section 45(b)(2)) to be reduced by one-half.<sup>4</sup>

Under the calculation required by section 45(b)(2), the credit for renewable electricity production for calendar year 2026 determined under section 45(a) is 3.1 cents per kilowatt hour on the sale of electricity produced in any qualified facility placed in service before January 1, 2022, from the qualified energy resources of wind, closed-loop biomass, and geothermal energy, and 1.5 cents per kilowatt hour on the sale of electricity produced in any qualified facility placed in service before January 1, 2022, from the qualified energy resources of open-loop biomass, landfill gas, trash, qualified hydropower, and marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy.

*Credit Amount for a Qualified Facility Placed in Service after December 31, 2021:* As required by section 45(b)(2), the 0.3 cent amount provided in section 45(a)(1) is adjusted by multiplying such amount by the inflation adjustment factor for the calendar year in which the sale occurs. If the 0.3 cent amount as adjusted for inflation is not a multiple of 0.05 cent, the amount is rounded to the nearest multiple of 0.05 cent. In the case of electricity produced in open-loop biomass facilities, landfill gas facilities, trash facilities, qualified hydropower facilities, and marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy facilities, section 45(b)(4)(A) requires the amount in effect under section 45(a)(1) for such calendar year (determined before rounding as required by section 45(b)(2)) to be reduced by one-half.

<sup>4</sup> As amended by the IRA and discussed later in this notice, the one-half reduction under section 45(b)(4)(A) no longer applies to qualified hydropower facilities and marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy facilities placed in service after December 31, 2022.

Under the calculation required by section 45(b)(2), the credit for renewable electricity production for calendar year 2026 determined under section 45(a) is 0.6 cents per kilowatt hour on the sale of electricity produced in any qualified facility placed in service after December 31, 2021, from the qualified energy resources of wind, closed-loop biomass, geothermal energy, and solar energy, and 0.3 cents per kilowatt hour on the sale of electricity produced in any qualified facility placed in service after December 31, 2021, from the qualified energy resources of open-loop biomass, landfill gas, and trash. The credit for renewable electricity production for calendar year 2026 determined under section 45(a) is also 0.3 cents per kilowatt hour on the sale of electricity produced in any qualified facility placed in service after December 31, 2021, and before January 1, 2023, from the qualified energy resources of qualified hydropower and marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy.

*Credit Amount for Qualified Hydropower Facilities and Marine and Hydrokinetic Renewable Energy Facilities Placed in Service after December 31, 2022:* The one-half reduction under section 45(b)(4)(A) no longer applies to qualified hydropower facilities and marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy facilities placed in service after December 31, 2022.

Accordingly, under the calculation required by section 45(b)(2), the credit for renewable electricity production for calendar year 2026 determined under section 45(a) is 0.6 cents per kilowatt hour on the sale of electricity produced in any qualified facility placed in service after December 31, 2022, from the qualified energy resources of qualified hydropower and marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy.

(Authority: 45(e)(2)(A) (26 U.S.C. 45(e)(2)(A)) of the Internal Revenue Code.)

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## **UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION PLAN**

### **Board of Directors; Request for Nomination**

**AGENCY:** Unified Carrier Registration Plan.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) Plan Board of

Directors is requesting nominations of qualified individuals from each of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) four service areas (as those areas were defined by FMCSA on January 1, 2005) for appointment by FMCSA to the UCR Plan Board of Directors. The nominees must be from among the Chief Administrative Officers of State Agencies responsible for overseeing the administration of the UCR Agreement. The selected individuals will fill four vacancies for terms which begin immediately on appointment and expire on May 31, 2029.

**DATES:** Nominations or expressions of interest by qualified individuals to be considered by the FMCSA for appointment to fill these four vacancies in the Board of Directors of the Unified Carrier Registration Plan, along with accompanying resumes, must be received on or before July 13, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations or expressions of interest may be submitted by any of the following methods—internet, regular mail, courier, or hand-delivery. *Mail, Courier, or Hand-Delivery:* Unified Carrier Registration Plan, Attention: Matt Manton, 529 14th Street NW, Suite 1280, Washington, DC 20045, internet: [mmanton@plan.ucr.gov](mailto:mmanton@plan.ucr.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elizabeth Leaman, Chair, Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors, (617) 305-3783, [eleaman@board.ucr.gov](mailto:eleaman@board.ucr.gov).

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* Section 4305(b) of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) [Pub. L. 109-59, 119 Stat. 1144, August 10, 2005] enacted 49 U.S.C. 14504a, entitled "Unified carrier registration system plan and Agreement." Under the UCR Agreement, motor carriers, motor private carriers, brokers, freight forwarders, and leasing companies that are involved in interstate transportation must register with a State and pay certain fees. The UCR Plan's Board of Directors must issue rules and regulations to govern the UCR Agreement. The Board also must recommend to the Secretary of Transportation annual fees to be assessed against carriers, leasing companies, brokers, and freight forwarders under the UCR Agreement.

The Unified Carrier Registration Plan is defined in 49 U.S.C. 14504a(a)(9) as the organization of State, Federal, and industry representatives responsible for developing, implementing, and administering the UCR Agreement. Section 14504a(d)(1)(B) directed the Secretary of Transportation to establish

a Unified Carrier Registration Plan Board of Directors made up of 15 members from FMCSA, State Governments, and the motor carrier industry. The establishment of the Board was announced in the **Federal Register** on May 12, 2006 (71 FR 27777). Section 14504a(d)(1)(B) provides that the UCR Plan's Board of Directors must consist of directors from the following groups:

**Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration:** One director must be selected from each of the four FMCSA service areas (as defined by FMCSA on January 1, 2005). The four directors selected must be from among the chief administrative officers of the State agencies responsible for administering the UCR Agreement.

**State Agencies:** Five directors must be selected to represent State agencies. The five directors selected must be from among the professional staffs of State agencies responsible for overseeing the administration of the UCR Agreement.

**Motor Carrier Industry:** Five directors must be from the motor carrier industry. At least one of the five motor carrier industry directors must be from "a national trade association representing the general motor carrier of property industry" and one of them must be from "a motor carrier that falls within the smallest fleet fee bracket."

**U.S. Department of Transportation (the Department):** One individual, either the FMCSA Deputy Administrator or such other Presidential appointee from the Department appointed by the Secretary, represents the Department.

This document serves as a notice from the UCR Plan Board of Directors soliciting nominations of, and expressions of interest by, qualified individuals who are interested in being considered by FMCSA for appointment to the Board as the chief administrative officer of a State agency responsible for overseeing the UCR Agreement. The Board is seeking four Directors, each representing one of FMCSA's four service areas (again, as those service areas were defined on January 1, 2005). For purposes of Board appointments, on January 1, 2005, the Eastern service area included the UCR participating states of Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, and West Virginia. The Midwestern service area included the UCR participating states of Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, and Wisconsin. The Southern service area included the UCR participating states of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina,

Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas. The Western service area included the UCR participating states of Alaska, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Washington. The terms of these appointments begin immediately on appointment and expire on May 31, 2029.

All nominations of or expressions of interest by qualified individuals for the four upcoming vacancies described must be received by the UCR Board on or before July 13, 2026, and will then be forwarded to FMCSA. The authority to appoint an individual to fill each of the four vacant positions lies with Secretary of Transportation, which has been delegated to FMCSA.

Nominations and expressions of interest should indicate that the individual nominated or interested meets the statutory requirements specified in 49 U.S.C. 14504a(d)(1)(B). All submissions must include a current resume.

The UCR Plan Board may, but is not required to, recommend to FMCSA the appointment of individuals from among the nominations and expressions of interest received. If the Board does make such recommendation(s), it will do so after consideration during an open meeting in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act that includes such recommendation(s) as part of the subject matter of the open meeting.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0060]

### Agency Information Collection Activity: Claim for One Sum Payment Government Life Insurance, EZ-Beneficiary Claim for One Sum Payment Government Life Insurance, Claim for Monthly Payments Government Life Insurance, and Claim for One Sum Payment Government Life Insurance (DocuSign)

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the

proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before July 31, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments must be submitted through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

*Program-Specific information:* Kendra McCleave, 202-461-9568, [kendra.mccleave@va.gov](mailto:kendra.mccleave@va.gov).

*VA PRA information:* Dorothy Glasgow, 202-461-1084, [VAPRA@va.gov](mailto:VAPRA@va.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

*Title:* VA Form 29-4125, Claim for One Sum Payment Government Life Insurance, VA Form 29-4125EZ, EZ-Beneficiary Claim for One Sum Payment Government Life Insurance, VA Form 29-4125a Claim for Monthly Payments Government Life Insurance, VA Form 29-4125e Claim for One Sum Payment Government Life Insurance (DocuSign).

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<https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRASearch> (Once at this link, you can enter the OMB Control Number to find the historical versions of this Information Collection).

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* These forms are used by beneficiaries applying for proceeds of Government Life Insurance policies. The VA Form 29-4125EZ has been