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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Thrift Supervision

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice and request for  
comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Today, the Office of Thrift Supervision within the Department of the Treasury solicits comments on the information collection entitled "Privacy and Accuracy of Customer Account Information."

**DATES:** Submit written comments on or before November 17, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Manager, Dissemination Branch, Records

Management and Information Policy, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, Attention 1550-0098. Hand deliver comments to 1700 G Street, NW. from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on business days. Send facsimile transmissions to FAX Number (202) 906-7755 or (202) 906-6956 (if the comment is over 25 pages). E-mail to public.info@ots.treas.gov and include your name and telephone number. Interested persons may inspect comments at 1700 G Street, NW., from 9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. on business days.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Reymann, Policy, Supervision, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 906-5645.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Privacy and Accuracy of Customer Account Information.

*OMB Number:* 1550-0098.

*Form Number:* Not Applicable.

*Abstract:* This policy statement reminds institutions that they have an obligation to protect and maintain confidential customer information. It provides guidance on how institutions should accomplish this protection.

*Current Actions:* OTS proposes to renew this information collection without revision.

*Type of Review:* Extension of an already approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or For Profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1200.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 41 average hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 49,200 hours.

#### Request for Comments

The OTS will summarize comments submitted in response to this notice or will include these comments in its request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The OTS invites comment on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: September 14, 1998.

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