ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

Disclosure may be made for routine uses as indicated below:

- 1. Employers are notified of the SSNs of employees in order to complete their records for reporting wages to SSA pursuant to the FICA and section 218 of the Act.
- 2. To State welfare agencies, upon written request, of the SSNs of AFDC applicants or recipients.
- 3. To the DOJ, Federal Bureau of Investigation and United States Attorneys, for investigating and prosecuting violations of the Act.
- 4. To the DOJ, Immigration and Naturalization Service, for the identification and location of aliens in the United States pursuant to requests received under section 290(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1360(c)).
- 5. To a contractor for the purpose of collating, evaluating, analyzing, aggregating or otherwise refining records when SSA contracts with a private firm. (The contractor shall be required to maintain PA safeguards with respect to such records.)
  - 6. To RRB for:
- (a) Administering provisions of the Railroad Retirement and Social Security Acts relating to railroad employment; and
- (b) Administering the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act.
- 7. To the Department of Energy for its study of the long-term effects of low-level radiation exposure.
- 8. To the Department of the Treasury for:
- (a) Tax administration as defined in section 6103 of the IRC (26 U.S.C. 6103); and
- (b) Investigating the alleged theft, forgery, or unlawful negotiation of Social Security checks.
- 9. To a congressional office in response to an inquiry from the office made at the request of the subject of a record.
- 10. To the Department of State for administering the Act in foreign countries through facilities and services of that agency.
- 11. To the American Institute of Taiwan for administering the Act on Taiwan through facilities and services of that agency.
- 12. To VA, Philippines Regional Office, for administering the Act in the Philippines through facilities and services of that agency.
- 13. To the Department of the Interior for administering the Act in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands through facilities and services of that agency.

- 14. To the Department of Labor for:
- (a) Administering provisions of the Black Lung Benefits Act; and
- (b) Conducting studies of the effectiveness of training programs to combat poverty.
- 15. To DVA for the following purposes:
- (a) For the purpose of validating SSNs of compensation recipients/pensioners in order to provide the release of accurate pension/compensation data by VA to SSA for Social Security program purposes; and
- (b) Upon request, for purposes of determining eligibility for or amount of VA benefits, or verifying other information with respect thereto.
- 16. To Federal agencies which use the SSN as a numerical identifier in their recordkeeping systems, for the purpose of validating SSNs.
- 17. To the DOJ, to a court, to another tribunal, or to another party before such tribunal, when:
  - (a) SSA, or any component thereof; or
- (b) Any SSA employee in his/her official capacity; or
- (c) Any SSA employee in his/her individual capacity when DOJ (or SSA when it is authorized to do so) has agreed to represent the employee; or
- (d) The United States or any agency thereof when SSA determines that the litigation is likely to affect the operations of SSA or any of its components

is a party to litigation or has an interest in such litigation, and SSA determines that the use of such records by DOJ, the tribunal, or other party before such tribunal is relevant and necessary to the litigation, provided, however, that in each case, SSA determines that such disclosure is compatible with the purpose for which the records were collected.

Wage and other information that is subject to disclosure provisions of the IRC will not be disclosed under this routine use unless disclosure is expressly permitted by the IRC.

- 18. To State audit agencies for auditing State supplementation payments and Medicaid eligibility considerations.
- 19. To the Social Security agency of a foreign country, to carry out the purpose of an international Social Security agreement entered into between the United States and the other country, pursuant to section 233 of the Act.
- 20. To Federal, State, or local agencies (or agents on their behalf) for the purpose of validating SSNs used in administering cash or noncash income maintenance programs or health

maintenance programs (including programs under the Act).

- 21. To third party contacts when the party to be contacted has, or is expected to have, information which will verify documents when SSA is unable to determine if such documents are authentic.
- 22. Upon request, information on the identity and location of aliens may be disclosed to the DOJ, Criminal Division, Office of Special Investigations, for the purpose of detecting, investigating, and, when appropriate, taking legal action against suspected Nazi war criminals in the United States.
- 23. To the Selective Service System for the purpose of enforcing draft registration pursuant to the provisions of the Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. App. 462, as amended by section 916 of Pub. L. 97–86).
- 24. To contractors and other Federal agencies, as necessary, for the purpose of assisting SSA in the efficient administration of its programs. We contemplate disclosing information under this routine use only in situations in which SSA may enter into a contractual or similar agreement with a third party to assist in accomplishing an agency function relating to this system of records.
- 25. Validated SSN information may be disclosed to organizations or agencies such as prison systems that are required by law to furnish SSA with SSN information.
- 26. Nontax return information that is not restricted from disclosure by Federal law may be disclosed to GSA and NARA for the purpose of conducting records management studies with respect to their duties and responsibilities under 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906, as amended by the NARA Act of 1984.
- 27. Disclosure of SSNs and dates of birth may be made to VA or third parties under contract to that agency for the purpose of conducting DVA medical research and epidemiological studies.
- 28. SSN information may be disclosed to OPM upon receipt of a request from that agency in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 8347(m)(3), when OPM needs the information in administering its pension program for retired Federal Civil Service employees.
- 29. Upon request by the Department of Education, SSNs which are provided by students to postsecondary educational institutions may be verified as required by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1091).
- 30. To student volunteers and other workers, who technically do not have the status of Federal employees, when they are performing work for SSA as authorized by law, and they need access