I.A.: OVERVIEW BY09

Descriptive Information BY09

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<td>The National Compensation Survey (NCS) System supports the BLS compensation programs. The Employment Cost Index is calculated by this system and is a Principal Federal Economic Indicator.</td>
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Screening Questions BY09

Provide a brief summary and justification for this investment, including a brief description of how this closes in part or in whole an identified agency performance gap:

This investment is the maintenance and operation of the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) National Compensation Survey (NCS). The NCS provides comprehensive measures of occupational earnings, compensation cost trends, benefit incidence, and detailed benefit provisions. This includes the Locality Pay Surveys (LPS), the Employment Cost Index (ECI), and the Employee Benefits Survey (EBS). NCS collects data quarterly from a sample of occupations within establishments in private industry and State and local governments through a combination of personal visits, mail, telephone, and electronic contacts and publishes local, regional, and national compensation data based on this data collection. It disseminates comprehensive measures of compensation cost trends, benefit incidence, and detailed plan provisions. This includes data that link benefit plan costs with detailed plan provisions. One of its products, the ECI, is a Principal Federal Economic Indicator that is used by the Federal Reserve in monetary policy decision making. The annual schedule of ECI release dates and times for the following calendar year is published in September by OMB.

The NCS investment does not close an agency performance gap; rather it avoids a performance gap that would occur if there were no such investment. It continues to provide accurate and timely compensation statistics to the public, supporting the BLS mission and the DOL Strategic Goal of a Prepared Workforce: Supply high quality information on the economy and labor market; and the FEA Support Delivery of Service Business area, under the General Government line of business and the Central Records and Statistics Management subfunction.

This steady state investment has operated reliably and effectively, enabling the BLS to meet its published release schedule 100% of the time. To continue meeting this schedule, this investment must be maintained so that it functions quickly and reliably. Upgrades are routinely performed to keep up with changes in technology and to use more current data. Furthermore, even though there are no significant performance gaps, improvements, where feasible, are made to maintain operational efficiency and effectiveness.

This investment is subject to quarterly CPIC reviews conducted by the DOL OCIO. It received an overall score of Green in each of the four quarterly Control Reviews in FY 2007 and is a component of the Bureau's overall E-Gov review which also received an overall score of Green.

Did the Agency's Executive/Investment Committee approve this request? Yes

If "yes," what was the date of this approval? 8/27/2007

Did the Project Manager review this Exhibit? Yes

Has the agency developed and/or promoted cost effective, energy efficient and environmentally sustainable techniques or practices for this project? Yes

Will this investment include electronic assets (including computers)? Yes

Is this investment for new construction or major retrofit of a Federal building or facility? (answer applicable to non-IT assets only) No
If "yes," is an ESPC or UESC being used to help fund this investment?

If "yes," will this investment meet sustainable design principles?

If "yes," is it designed to be 30% more energy efficient than relevant code?

Does this investment directly support one of the PMA initiatives?

If "yes," check all of the PMA initiatives that apply:
- Budget Performance Integration
- Expanded E-Government

Is this investment for information technology?

Briefly describe how this asset directly supports the identified initiative(s):
NCS fully supports E-Gov through automation and Internet usage. NCS uses LABSTAT, a one-stop shop for BLS statistics, to make its statistics available to the public in electronic form. It uses the Internet Data Collection Facility that gives respondents a single interface to provide data for many BLS surveys. NCS also leverages BLS central infrastructure facilities for WebLogic & Remote Access. NCS supports Budget & Performance Integration by linking major project milestones with funding.

**IT Screening Questions BY09**

If the answer to Question, "Is this investment for information technology?" was "Yes," complete this sub-section. If the answer is "No," do not answer this sub-section.

What project management qualifications does the Project Manager have? (per CIO Council's PM Guidance):
(1) Project manager has been validated as qualified for this investment

If this project produces information dissemination products for the public, are these products published to the Internet in conformance with OMB Memorandum 05-04 and included in your agency inventory, schedules and priorities?

Are the records produced by this investment appropriately scheduled with the National Archives and Records Administration's approval?

**I.B.: SUMMARY OF SPENDING BY09**

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Provide the total estimated life-cycle cost for this investment by completing the following table. All amounts represent budget authority in thousands, and are rounded to three decimal places. For Federal buildings and facilities, life-cycle costs should include long term energy, environmental, decommissioning, and/or restoration costs. The costs associated with the entire life-cycle of the investment should be included in this report.

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**I.C.: ACQUISITION/CONTRACT STRATEGY BY09**

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I.D.: PERFORMANCE INFORMATION BY09

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I.E.: SECURITY AND PRIVACY BY09

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I.F.: ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE (EA) BY09

General EA Questions BY09

In order to successfully address this area of the capital asset plan and business case, the investment must be included in the agency's EA and Capital Planning and Investment Control (CPIC) process and mapped to and supporting the FEA. The business case must demonstrate the relationship between the investment and the business, performance, data, services, application, and technology layers of the agency's EA.

Is this investment included in your agency's target enterprise architecture? Yes

If "no," please explain why this investment is not included in your agency's target enterprise architecture?

Is this investment included in the agency's EA Transition Strategy? Yes

Will the application leverage existing components and/or applications across the Government (i.e., FirstGov, Pay.Gov, etc)? No

If "yes," please describe how the application will leverage existing components and/or applications across the Government.

FEA Primary Mapping BY09

FEA Primary Mapping
Reference Model: BRM
Business Area: Support Delivery of Services
Line of Business: General Government
Sub Function: Central Records and Statistics Management
Primary Mapping Code: 315181

III.A.: RISK MANAGEMENT BY09

Risk Management Plan BY09

Part III is completed only for investments identified as "Operation and Maintenance" (Steady State) in response to Part I above.

You should have performed a risk assessment during the early planning and initial concept phase of this investment's life-cycle, developed a risk-adjusted life-cycle cost estimate and a plan to eliminate, mitigate or manage risk, and be actively managing risk throughout the investment's life-cycle.

Does the investment have a Risk Management Plan? Yes
What is the date of the risk management plan? 7/12/2007

**III.B.: COST AND SCHEDULE PERFORMANCE BY09**

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