

**Request for Comments** 

## Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility and Integrity of Information Disseminated by Federal Agencies

OMB section 515 information quality guidelines--Background

Section 515 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (Public Law 106-554) directs the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to issue government-wide guidelines for Federal agencies to ensure and maximize the quality, objectivity, utility and integrity of information disseminated by Federal agencies. In response, OMB issued **government-wide guidelines** 67 FR 8452 (February 22, 2002) requiring Federal agencies that are subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35) to develop and publish their own information quality guidelines and provide the public with administrative means for requesting corrections of information.

## We'd like your comments

We announced in the Federal Register that our **draft information quality guidelines and correction procedures** are available online for comment. Please follow the directions below to submit a comment.

## This is how the comment process works

In preparing final guidelines and procedures, we will:

- Consider all comments received by June 1, 2002 in response to this notice
- Develop proposed final SSA section 515 guidelines and procedures for submission to OMB by July 1, 2002
- Publish a Notice of our final guidelines and correction procedures in the Federal Register and make them available at the web address mentioned above no later than October 1, 2002.

## Here's how to submit your comments

We recommend fax and email comments to make sure they reach us by the due date, but we'll also accept them by mail.

- Fax comments to Mr. Brian Greenberg, Office of Research, Evaluation, and Statistics, at Fax number (410) 965-3308
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