RENEWAL OF THE COMPUTER MATCHING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

SSA Match #1008

Under the applicable provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988 (5 U.S.C. § 552a), a Computer Matching Agreement (CMA) will remain in effect for a period not to exceed 18 months. See 5 U.S.C. § 552a(o)(2)(C). Within three months prior to the expiration of such CMA, however, the Data Integrity Board (DIB) may, without additional review, renew the CMA for a current, ongoing matching program for a period not to exceed 12 additional months if:

- 1. Such program will be conducted without any changes; and
- 2. Each party to the CMA certifies to the DIB in writing that the program has been conducted in compliance with the CMA.

See 5 U.S.C. § 552a(o)(2)(D).

Only a "significant change" to an existing CMA requires a new agreement, notice, and reporting. See 5 U.S.C. § 552a(r) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-108, Sec. 8.b. No significant changes have occurred to date, and thus the following matching program meets the conditions for renewal upon signature of the certifications at the end of this renewal agreement by the authorized source and recipient agency officials in section VII of this renewal:

I. TITLE OF MATCH:

CMA #1008

II. PARTIES TO THE MATCH:

Recipient Agency: Social Security Administration (SSA)

Source Agency: Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Veterans Benefits

Administration (VBA)

III. PURPOSE OF THE RENEWAL:

The purpose of this renewal is to extend the terms, conditions, and safeguards of CMA #1008 between SSA and VA. Under the terms of this agreement, VA/VBA will provide SSA with compensation and pension payment data necessary to administer Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Special Veterans Benefits (SVB) and to fulfill SSA's obligations for the Medicare Savings Program and Medicare Prescription Drug (Medicare

Part D) subsidy (Extra Help). SSA will use VA compensation and pension payment data to verify eligibility, or amount of payments, for SSI and SVB recipients. SSA will also use the VA compensation and pension payment data to verify an individual's self-certification of eligibility for Extra Help. Additionally, SSA will use the VA compensation and pension payment data to identify individuals who may qualify for Medicare cost-sharing assistance through the Medicare Savings Programs (MSP) or Extra Help to contact these individuals about the availability of these programs.

IV. ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE MATCH:

Effective Date: November 11, 2023 Expiration Date: May 10, 2025

V. RENEWAL NEW AND EXPIRATION DATES:

Renewal Effective Date: May 11, 2025 Renewal Expiration Date: May 10, 2026

VI. CHANGES:

By this renewal, SSA and VA/VBA make no changes to the CMA.

VII. <u>SIGNATURES</u>:

Electronic Signature Acknowledgement: The signatories may sign this document electronically by using an approved electronic signature process. By signing this document electronically, the signatory agrees that the signature they provide has the same meaning and legal validity and effect as a handwritten signature.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

VA Certification

As the authorized representative of the source agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject-matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing CMA between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any changes for an additional 12 months, subject to the approval of the respective Data Integrity Boards of the parties.

NINA TANN Digitally signed by NINA TANN Date: 2025.03.07 10:42:49 -05'00'
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Executive Director Compensation Service
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Kevin Friel
Executive Director
Pension and Fiduciary Service
Date

Data Integrity Board Certification

As Chair of the Data Integrity Board of the source agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing CMA between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any changes for an additional 12 months.

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Merissa Larson	
Chair	
Data Integrity Board	
Date	

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

SSA Certification

As the authorized representative of the recipient agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing CMA between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any changes for an additional 12 months, subject to the approval of the respective Data Integrity Boards of the parties.

Michelle Christ	Digitally signed by Michelle Christ
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Michelle L. Christ	
Deputy Executive Director	
Office of Privacy and Disclo	sure
Office of the General Couns	sel
Date	

Data Integrity Board Certification

As Chair of the Data Integrity Board of the recipient agency named above, I certify that: (1) the subject matching program was conducted in compliance with the existing CMA between the parties; and (2) the subject matching program will continue without any changes for an additional 12 months.

Matthew Ramsey Digitally signed by Matthew Ramsey Date: 2025.02.21 13:33:02-0500'	
Matthew D. Ramsey Chair	-
Data Integrity Board	
Date	

Attachment: CMA