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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS).

Title: Competitive Enhancement Needs Assessment Survey Program.
OMB Control Number: 0694-0083.
Form Number(s): N/A.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a currently approved information collection).

Burden Hours: 2,400.

Number of Respondents: 2,400.

Average Hours per Response: 1 hour.

Needs and Uses: The Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, and Executive Order 12919, authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to assess the capabilities of the defense industrial base to support the national defense. They also develop policy alternatives to improve the international competitiveness of specific domestic industries and their abilities to meet defense program needs. The information collected from voluntary surveys will be used to assist small and medium in defense transition and in gaining access to advanced technologies and manufacturing processes available from Federal laboratories. The goal is to improve regions of the country adversely affected by cutbacks in defense spending and military base closures.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Jasmeet Seehra, (202) 395-3123.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by

calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 7845, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Jasmeet Seehra, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), by e-mail to jseehra@omb.eop.gov, or by fax to (202) 395-7285.

Dated: August 26, 2011.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Meeting of the National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship will hold a meeting on Tuesday, Sept 13, 2011. The open meeting will be conducted from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (EDT). A limited number of seats are available to members of the public who would like to attend the meeting in person. The public can also dial in to the meeting via a listen-only conference number 888-942-9574, passcode 6315042. The Council was chartered on November 10, 2009, to advise the Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to innovation and entrepreneurship in the United States.

DATES: Sept. 13, 2011.

TIME: 10 a.m.-12 p.m. (EDT).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Building 101 at the Philadelphia Navy Yard at 4747 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19112. For in person or audio only participation, please specify any requests for reasonable accommodation of auxiliary aids at least five business days in advance of the

meeting. Last minute requests will be accommodated based on capacity limitations.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to provide a progress report on outcomes related to NACIE's earlier work on access to capital and technology commercialization; update the council on ongoing Administration priorities, including Startup America and the President's Council on Jobs and Competitiveness; and continue work focusing on regional innovation ecosystems, technology commercialization, and high-growth entrepreneurship. The agenda may change to accommodate NACIE business. The final agenda will be posted on the NACIE Web site at <http://www.eda.gov/nacie>.

Any member of the public may submit pertinent written comments concerning the Council's affairs at any time before and after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to Darryl Scott at the contact information indicated below. Copies of meeting minutes will be available within 90 days of the meeting at <http://www.eda.gov/NACIE>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Darryl Scott, Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Room 7019, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230, *telephone:* 202-482-3309, *e-mail:* dscott@eda.doc.gov. Please reference, "NACIE September 13, 2011" in the subject line of your e-mail.

Dated: August 26, 2011.

Paul J. Corson,

Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, U.S. Department of Commerce.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

[Docket No. 110722412-1428-01]

Effects of Foreign Policy-Based Export Controls

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) seeks public comments on the effect of existing foreign policy-

based export controls in the Export Administration Regulations. BIS requests comments to comply with the requirements of Section 6 of the Export Administration Act (EAA) which requires BIS to consult with industry on the effect of such controls and report to Congress the results of that consultation. Comments from all interested persons are welcome. All comments will be made available for public inspection and copying and included in a report to be submitted to Congress.

DATES: Comments must be received by October 3, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent by e-mail to publiccomments@bis.doc.gov or on paper to Regulatory Policy Division, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, 14th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 2705, Washington, DC 20230. Include the phrase "FPBEC Comment" in the subject line of the e-mail message or on the envelope if submitting comments on paper. All comments must be in writing (either e-mail or on paper). All comments, including Personal Identifying Information (e.g., name, address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter, will be a matter of public record and will be available for public inspection and copying. Do not submit confidential business information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anthony Christino, Director, Foreign Policy Division, Office of Nonproliferation Controls and Treaty Compliance, Bureau of Industry and Security, telephone 202-482-4252. Copies of the current Annual Foreign Policy Report to the Congress are available at http://www.bis.doc.gov/news/2011/2011_fpreport.pdf, and copies may also be requested by calling the Office of Nonproliferation and Treaty Compliance at the number listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Foreign policy-based controls in the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) are implemented pursuant to section 6 of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended, (50 U.S.C. app. sections 2401-2420 (2000)) (EAA). The current foreign policy-based export controls maintained by the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) are set forth in the EAR (15 CFR parts 730-774), including in parts 742 (CCL Based Controls), 744 (End-User and End-Use Based Controls) and 746 (Embargoes and Other Special Controls). These controls apply to a range of countries, items, activities and persons, including:

- Entities acting contrary to the national security or foreign policy interests of the United States (§ 744.11);
- Certain general purpose microprocessors for "military end-uses" and "military end-users" (§ 744.17);
- Significant items (SI);
- Hot section technology for the development, production, or overhaul of commercial aircraft engines, components, and systems (§ 742.14);
- Encryption items (§ 742.15);
- Crime control and detection items (§ 742.7);
- Specially designed implements of torture (§ 742.11);
- Certain firearms and related items based on the Organization of American States Model Regulations for the Control of the International Movement of Firearms, their Parts and Components and Munitions included within the Inter-American Convention Against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and Other Related Materials (§ 742.17);
- Regional stability items (§ 742.6);
- Equipment and related technical data used in the design, development, production, or use of certain rocket systems and unmanned air vehicles (§§ 742.5 and 744.3);
- Chemical precursors and biological agents, associated equipment, technical data, and software related to the production of chemical and biological agents (§§ 742.2 and 744.4) and various chemicals included on the list of those chemicals controlled pursuant to the Chemical Weapons Convention (§ 742.18);
- Nuclear propulsion (§ 744.5);
- Aircraft and vessels (§ 744.7);
- Restrictions on exports and reexports to certain persons designated as proliferators of weapons of mass destruction (§ 744.8);
- Communication intercepting devices, software and technology (§ 742.13);
- Embargoed countries (part 746);
- Countries designated as supporters of acts of international terrorism (§§ 742.8, 742.9, 742.10, 742.19, 746.2, 746.4, 746.7, and 746.9);
- Certain entities in Russia (§ 744.10);
- Individual terrorists and terrorist organizations (§§ 744.12, 744.13 and 744.14);
- Certain persons designated by Executive Order 13315 ("Blocking Property of the Former Iraqi Regime, Its Senior Officials and Their Family Members") (§ 744.18);
- Certain sanctioned entities (§ 744.20); and
- Certain cameras to be used by military end-users or incorporated into a military commodity (§ 744.9).

In addition, the EAR impose foreign policy controls on nuclear-related commodities, technology, end-uses and end-users (§§ 742.3 and 744.2), which are, in part, implemented under section 309(c) of the Nuclear Non Proliferation Act (42 U.S.C. 2139a).

Under the provisions of Section 6 of the EAA, export controls maintained for foreign policy purposes require annual extension. Section 6 of the EAA requires a report to Congress when foreign policy-based export controls are extended. The EAA expired on August 20, 2001. Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001 (3 CFR, 2001 Comp., p. 783 (2002)), which has been extended by successive Presidential Notices, the most recent being that of Notice of August 12, 2011, 76 FR 50661 (August 16, 2011), continues the EAR and, to the extent permitted by law, the provisions of the EAA, in effect under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701-1706 (2000)). The Department of Commerce, as appropriate, continues to comply with the provisions of section 6 of the EAA by reviewing its foreign policy-based export controls, requesting public comments on such controls, and preparing a report to be submitted to Congress. In January 2011, the Secretary of Commerce, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State, extended for one year all foreign policy-based export controls then in effect. BIS now solicits public comment on the effects of extending the existing foreign policy-based export controls for another year. Among the criteria considered in determining whether to extend U.S. foreign policy based export controls are the following:

1. The likelihood that such controls will achieve their intended foreign policy purposes, in light of other factors, including the availability from other countries of the goods, software or technology proposed for such controls;
2. Whether the foreign policy objective of such controls can be achieved through negotiations or other alternative means;
3. The compatibility of the controls with the foreign policy objectives of the United States and with overall U.S. policy toward the country subject to the controls;
4. Whether the reaction of other countries to the extension of such controls is not likely to render the controls ineffective in achieving the intended foreign policy objective or be counterproductive to U.S. foreign policy interests;
5. The comparative benefits to U.S. foreign policy objectives versus the effect of the controls on the export

performance of the United States, the competitive position of the United States in the international economy, the international reputation of the United States as a supplier of goods and technology; and

6. The ability of the United States to effectively enforce the controls.

BIS is particularly interested in receiving comments on the economic impact of proliferation controls. BIS is also interested in information relating to the following:

1. Information on the effect of foreign policy-based export controls on sales of U.S. products to third countries (*i.e.*, those countries not targeted by sanctions), including the views of foreign purchasers or prospective customers regarding U.S. foreign policy based export controls.

2. Information on controls maintained by U.S. trade partners. For example, to what extent do U.S. trade partners have similar controls on goods and technology on a worldwide basis or to specific destinations?

3. Information on licensing policies or practices by our foreign trade partners that are similar to U.S. foreign policy based export controls, including license review criteria, use of conditions, and requirements for pre- and post-shipment verifications (preferably supported by examples of approvals, denials and foreign regulations).

4. Suggestions for bringing foreign policy-based export controls more into line with multilateral practice.

5. Comments or suggestions to make multilateral controls more effective.

6. Information that illustrates the effect of foreign policy-based export controls on trade or acquisitions by intended targets of the controls.

7. Data or other information on the effect of foreign policy-based export controls on overall trade at the level of individual industrial sectors.

8. Suggestions for measuring the effect of foreign policy-based export controls on trade.

9. Information on the use of foreign policy-based export controls on targeted countries, entities, or individuals. BIS is also interested in comments relating generally to the extension or revision of existing foreign policy-based export controls.

Parties submitting comments are asked to be as specific as possible. All comments received before the close of the comment period will be considered by BIS in reviewing the controls and in developing the report to Congress. All comments received in response to this notice will be displayed on BIS's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Web site at <http://www.bis.doc.gov/foia>. All

comments will be included in a report to Congress to comply with the requirement of Section 6 of the EAA, which directs that BIS report to Congress the results of its consultations with industry on the effects of foreign policy controls.

Dated: August 2, 2011.

Kevin J. Wolf,

Assistant Secretary for Export Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Advance Notification of Sunset Reviews

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

Background

Every five years, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), the Department of Commerce ("the Department") and the International Trade Commission automatically initiate and conduct a review to determine whether revocation of a countervailing or antidumping duty order or termination of an investigation suspended under section 704 or 734 of the Act would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping or a countervailable subsidy (as the case may be) and of material injury.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia Hancock, AD/CVD Operations, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-1394.

Upcoming Sunset Reviews for October 2011

There are no Sunset Reviews scheduled for initiation in October 2011.

For information on the Department's procedures for the conduct of sunset reviews, *See* 19 CFR 351.218. This notice is not required by statute but is published as a service to the international trading community. Guidance on methodological or analytical issues relevant to the Department's conduct of Sunset Reviews is set forth in the Department's Policy Bulletin 98.3, *Policies Regarding the Conduct of Five-Year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping and*

Countervailing Duty Orders; Policy Bulletin, 63 FR 18871 (April 16, 1998). The Notice of Initiation of Five-Year ("Sunset") Reviews provides further information regarding what is required of all parties to participate in Sunset Reviews.

Dated: August 25, 2011.

Christian Marsh,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[Docket No. 110729450-1450-01]

Call for Applications for the International Buyer Program Calendar Year 2013

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and Call for Applications.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth objectives, procedures and application review criteria associated with support for domestic trade shows by the International Buyer Program (IBP) of the U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC). This announcement covers selection for International Buyer Program participation for calendar year 2013 (January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013). The purpose of the IBP program is to bring international buyers together with U.S. firms by promoting leading U.S. trade shows in industries with high export potential.

DATES: Applications must be received by October 31, 2011.

ADDRESSES: The application may be downloaded from <http://www.export.gov/IBP>. Applications may be submitted by any of the following methods: (1) Mail/Hand Delivery Service: International Buyer Program, Trade Promotion Programs, U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Ronald Reagan Building, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., Suite 800M—Mezzanine Level—Atrium North, Washington DC 20004. Telephone (202) 482-4207; (2) *Facsimile:* (202) 482-7800; or (3) *e-mail:* IBP2013@trade.gov. Facsimile and e-mail applications will be accepted as interim applications, but must be followed by a signed original application that is received by the program no later than five (5) business