

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Renewal of 20 Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees****ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Public Law 92-463, the "Federal Advisory Committee Act," notice is hereby given that the following 20 advisory committees have been determined to be in the public interest and have been renewed:

- A. Board of Visitors, National Defense University.
- B. Strategic Advisory Group for the U.S. Strategic Command.
- C. Advisory Group on Electron Devices.
- D. Defense Science Board.
- E. Defense Advisory Committee on Military Personnel Testing.
- F. Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services.
- G. DoD Wage Committee.
- H. National Security Agency Advisory Board.
- I. Armed Forces Epidemiological Board.
- J. Army Science Board.
- K. Army Education Advisory Committee.
- L. Chief of Engineers Environmental Advisory Board.
- M. Scientific Advisory Board of the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology.
- N. Board of Advisors to the President, Naval War College.
- O. Board of Advisors to the Superintendent, Naval Postgraduate School.
- P. Chief of Naval Operations Executive Panel Advisory Committee.
- Q. Naval Research Advisory Committee.
- R. Air University Board of Visitors.
- S. Community College of the Air Force Board of Visitors.
- T. U.S. Air Force Scientific Advisory Board.

These committees provide necessary and valuable advice to the Secretary of Defense and other senior officials in the DoD in their respective areas of expertise. They make important contributions to DoD efforts in research and development, education, and training, and various technical program areas. Some of them are authorized by statute.

It is a continuing DoD policy to make every effort to achieve a balanced membership on all DoD advisory committees. Each committee is evaluation in terms of the functional disciplines, levels of experience,

professional diversity, public and private association, and similar characteristics required to ensure a high degree of balance is obtained.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Jennifer Spaeth, DoD Committee Management Officer, 703-695-4281.

Dated: March 9, 2000.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION****NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0150]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request Entitled Small Disadvantaged Business Procurement Credits

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0150).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Small Business Procurement Credit Programs. This OMB clearance expires on June 30, 2000.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before May 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Victoria Moss, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA, 501-4764.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**A. Purpose**

This FAR requirement concerning small disadvantaged procurement credit programs implements the Department of Justice proposal to reform affirmative action in Federal procurement, which was designed to ensure compliance with the constitutional standards established by the Supreme Court. The credits include price evaluation factor targets and certifications.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Number of Respondents: 20,340.

Responses Per Respondent: 8.97.

Total Responses: 183,257.

Average Burden Hours Per Response: 2.09.

Total Burden Hours: 383,007.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the proposal from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 208-7312. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0150, Small Disadvantaged Business Procurement Credit Programs, in all correspondence.

Dated: March 9, 2000.

Edward C. Loeb,

Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION****NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0152]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request Entitled Service Contracting

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0152).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Service Contracting. This OMB clearance expires on June 30, 2000.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Klein, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA, 501-3775.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

This FAR requirement implements the statutory requirements of Section 834, Public Law 101-510, concerning uncompensated overtime. The coverage requires that offerors identify uncompensated overtime hours and the uncompensated overtime rate for procurements valued at \$100,000 or more. This permits Government contracting officers to ascertain cost realism of proposed labor rates for professional employees.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Number of Respondents: 19,906.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Total Responses: 19,906.

Average Burden Per Response: 30 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 9,953.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the proposal from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 208-7312. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0152, Service Contracting, in all correspondence.

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Edward C. Loeb,

Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on Impact of DoD Acquisition Policies and Practices on the Health and Competitiveness of US Defense Companies will meet in closed session on February 22, 2000; March 7, March 20-21, April 4 and April 10. All meetings will be held at Strategic Analysis Inc., One Virginia Square, 3601 Wilson Blvd., Suite 600, Arlington, VA 22201.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At these meetings, the Task Force will review the Department of Defense's acquisition policies and regulations governing the primary vendors of military equipment; determine whether these acquisition policies, processes and regulations have supported or weakened rational and economical business practices within the primary vendors of military equipment; and assess the impact of those policies, practices and regulations on the health and competitiveness of US defense companies. The Task Force plans to hold sensitive programmatic discussions with the primary vendors during the course of this effort.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II, (1994)), it has been determined that these Defense Science

Board meetings, concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (1) and (4) (1994), and that accordingly these meetings will be closed to the public.

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L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the DoD Healthcare Quality Initiatives Review Panel

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the ongoing schedule and for the next two meetings of the DoD Healthcare Quality Initiatives Review Panel. Meetings will be open to the public. Notice of these meetings are required under the Federal Advisory Committee (FAC) Act (Pub. L. 92-463).

DATES: March 23, 2000; April 27, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Sheraton Crystal City, 1800 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Arlington, VA 22202.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE AND AGENDA:

Agenda will be posted on the homepage located at www.hqirp.org. The DoD Healthcare Quality Initiatives Review Panel (HQIRP) will meet in open session from approximately 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. There will be 20 minutes provided for Public Commentary beginning at approximately 4:30 pm. Public seating for this meeting is limited and is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Please contact Gia Edmonds at (703) 933-8325.

Dated: March 9, 2000.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Spring 2000 Conference Meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Advisory Committee on Women in the Services.

ACTION: Notice.