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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau is the preeminent collector of timely, relevant and quality data describing the people and economy of the United States. Economic data are the Census Bureau's primary program commitment during non-decennial census years. The economic census, conducted under authority of Title 13 U.S.C., is the primary source of facts about the structure and functioning of the Nation's economy and features unique industry and geographic detail. Economic census statistics serve as part of the framework for the national accounts and provide essential information for government, business, and the general public.

The Economic Census Classification Report (NC-99026) collects data on manufacturing, mining, construction, and selected wholesale businesses for the purpose of assigning an accurate 8-digit North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) based code for use in the 2012 Economic Census. This report, conducted separately in fiscal years 2012 and 2013, samples approximately 75,000 businesses each year.

The Census Bureau will select establishments to receive this survey from the Census Bureau's Business Register. The Census Bureau will mail the NC-99026 to establishments that have been assigned a partial manufacturing, mining, or construction NAICS code by administrative records and from other categories of administrative codes that may be identified. Additionally, wholesale establishments currently classified in select industries will be sampled in order to verify correct classification due to changes in NAICS for 2012.

Collecting this classification information will ensure the Economic Census mailing list for the targeted sectors are complete and accurate prior to the mailing of the 2012 Economic Census. This information is also used to determine whether an establishment

will be mailed a form in the Economic Census, and if so, what form type. Many businesses are small and will not receive additional Economic Census forms, making this report the only medium by which to obtain an accurate 8-digit NAICS-based code. In other cases, the Census Bureau produces sample estimates. The results of this collection will be used to select a statistically reliable and efficient sample, minimizing the reporting burden on sampled sectors. Proper NAICS classification data ensures high quality economic statistics while reducing respondent burden and overall processing costs. Failure to collect this data will have an adverse effect on the quality and usefulness of economic information provided by the Census Bureau.

There are few changes since the last request was submitted to OMB in 2006. Selected wholesale industries will be added to verify proper NAICS classification. Also, changes will be made to the wording and organization of existing economic activity descriptions. Additionally, respondents will have the option to respond electronically via the Internet, which can reduce respondent burden and costs.

II. Method of Collection

Information is collected by mail, Internet, fax, and telephone follow-up.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0607-0925.

Form Number: NC-99026.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Businesses and organizations (both profit and non-profit); State and local governments; small businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 75,000.

Estimated Time per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,250.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$181,313.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C. 131, 193 and 224.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance

of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

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Glenna Mickelson,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and opportunity for public comment.

Pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2341 *et seq.*), the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below.

Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of these firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE 11/11/2010 THROUGH 12/9/2010

Firm name	Address	Date accepted for investigation	Products
Fort McDowell Yavapai Materials.	17100 E. Shea Blvd., Ste 330, Fountain Hills, AZ 85268.	11/19/2010	The firm produces concrete batch plants producing ready-mix concrete. A small number of concrete blocks are made as a by-product. Sand & gravel mine producing construction aggregates and USGA (golf course) sand. Granite pit producing crushed granite landscaping rock.
PCS Edventures!.com, Inc.	345 Bobwhite Ct #200, Boise, ID 83706.	12/8/2010	The firm creates and manufactures educational and scientific materials for use in the instruction of science, math and other educational lessons. These products consist of robotic instruction systems, micro-controllers and software, curriculum.
Stellar Recognition, Inc. dba Sports Awards and Pace-setter Awards.	5544 W. Armstrong Avenue, Chicago, IL 60646.	11/24/2010	The firm designs, manufactures and assembles awards, recognition items and promotional products such as trophies, plaques, glass and acrylic awards and various related promotional products.
The Woods Company, Inc.	985 Superior Avenue, Chambersburg, PA 17201.	11/5/2010	The firm uses reclaimed solid wood flooring and architectural products.
Thuro Metal Products, Inc.	21–25 Grand Boulevard North, Brentwood, NY 11717.	11/18/2010	The Firm is a manufacturer of custom engineered precision component parts including threaded shafts and assemblies.

Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms Division, Room 7106, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than ten (10) calendar days following publication of this notice.

Please follow the requirements set forth in EDA's regulations at 13 CFR 315.9 for procedures to request a public hearing. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official number and title for the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms.

Dated: December 9, 2010.

Bryan Borlik,

Director, Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Limitation of Duty-free Imports of Apparel Articles Assembled in Haiti Under the Haitian Hemispheric Opportunity Through Partnership for Encouragement Act (HOPE)

AGENCY: Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration.

ACTION: Notification of Annual Quantitative Limit on Certain Apparel under HOPE.

DATES: *Effective Date:* December 20, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: The Caribbean Basin Recovery Act (“CBERA”), as amended by the Haitian Hemispheric Opportunity Through Partnership for Encouragement Act of 2006 (“HOPE”), Title V of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 and the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (“HOPE II”); the Haiti Economic Lift Program Act of 2010 (“HELP”); and implemented by Presidential Proclamations No. 8114, 72 FR 13655, 13659 (March 22, 2007), and No. 8596, 75 FR 68153 (November 4, 2010).

HOPE provides for duty-free treatment for certain apparel articles imported directly from Haiti. Section 213A(b)(1)(B) of HOPE outlines the requirements for certain apparel articles to qualify for duty-free treatment under a “value-added” program. In order to qualify for duty-free treatment, apparel articles must be wholly assembled, or knit-to-shape, in Haiti from any combination of fabrics, fabric components, components knit-to-shape, and yarns, as long as the sum of the cost or value of materials produced in Haiti or one or more countries, as described in HOPE, or any combination thereof, plus the direct costs of processing operations performed in Haiti or one or more countries, as described in HOPE, or any combination thereof, is not less than an applicable percentage of the declared customs value of such apparel articles. Pursuant to HELP, the

applicable percentage for the period December 20, 2010 through December 19, 2011, is 50 percent or more.

For every twelve month period following the effective date of HOPE, duty-free treatment under the value-added program is subject to a quantitative limitation. HOPE provides that the quantitative limitation will be recalculated for each subsequent 12-month period. Section 213A (b)(1)(C) of HOPE, as amended by HOPE II and HELP, requires that, for the twelve-month period beginning on December 20, 2010, the quantitative limitation for qualifying apparel imported from Haiti under the value-added program will be an amount equivalent to 1.25 percent of the aggregate square meter equivalent of all apparel articles imported into the United States in the most recent 12-month period for which data are available. The aggregate square meters equivalent of all apparel articles imported into the United States is derived from the set of Harmonized System lines listed in the Annex to the World Trade Organization Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (“ATC”), and the conversion factors for units of measure into square meter equivalents used by the United States in implementing the ATC. For purposes of this notice, the most recent 12-month period for which data are available as of December 20, 2010 is the 12-month period ending on October 31, 2010.

Therefore, for the one-year period beginning on December 20, 2010 and extending through December 19, 2011, the quantity of imports eligible for preferential treatment under the value-added program is 324,408,946 square