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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted 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. 35).

Agency: Patent and Trademark Office (PTO).

Title: Address-Affecting Provisions.

Agency Approval Number: 0651-0035.

Type of Request: Regular.

Burden: 8,970 hours.

Number of Respondents: 44,850.

Avg. Hour Per Response: .2 hours.

Needs and Uses: This submission of information is used by the PTO to ensure that the information as to the agent or representative, if any, and the correspondence address is current so that correspondence to the representative/applicant from the PTO, whenever such correspondence is mailed, is timely received.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households, Business or other for-profit Institutions, not-for-profit Institutions and the Federal Government.

Frequency: Reporting on Occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Maya A. Bernstein, (202) 395-3785.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent to Maya Bernstein, OMB Desk Office, room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: May 15, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,
Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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Bureau of the Census

1996 Integrated Coverage Measurement (ICM) Activities—Person Interview and Reconciliation Activities

ACTION: Proposed Agency Information Collection Activity; Comment Request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1955, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 19, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to David C. Whitford, Bureau of the Census, Room 3771, Washington, D.C. 20233, (301) 457-4035.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Bureau of the Census developed the Integrated Coverage Measurement (ICM) approach for measuring coverage of populations during the decennial census. In the 1996 Community Census, we are interested in refining our ICM approach to measuring the coverage of the census for housing units, people, group quarters with a dormitory style of living arrangement, and incorporating the use of administrative records into the ICM. The 1996 Community Census will be conducted in an urban site (six noncontiguous census tracts in Chicago, Illinois) and two American Indian

Reservations (Pueblo of Acoma, New Mexico, and Fort Hall Indian Reservation, Idaho).

As soon as the census enumeration is complete, the ICM Person Interview will be conducted using a Computer Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) instrument, a laptop computer. The census enumerations and information from administrative records will be loaded into the CAPI instrument before interviewing begins.

Intensive probing techniques will be used to reconstruct a roster of the residents of the housing unit on census day. The interviewing instrument will examine whether all people mentioned during the interview should be enumerated at the housing unit in question according to census residency rules. For units not enumerated in the census, the interviewer will ask probing questions to determine the status of the units and their occupants on census day, October 5, 1996. Then some initial matching and linking between the roster, the census enumeration, and the administrative records are done within the CAPI instrument. The interviewer will then reconcile the differences between the census enumerations, the administrative records, and the ICM interview. From this "resolved" roster we will have the information we need to produce final estimates of the coverage of the census. The interview data will identify persons missed or incorrectly included in the census as well as persons correctly enumerated.

For quality assurance, at maximum, a 20 percent random sample of respondents in the ICM sample will be reinterviewed using a shortened version of the ICM Person Interview. This reinterview will be done on the CAPI instrument.

After the ICM Person Interviews are conducted, we will conduct an Evaluation Interview; it will be identical to the ICM Person Interview and will be conducted using the CAPI instrument. The objective of this interview is to measure and evaluate data collection error associated with the ICM Person Interview.

An Outmover Tracing Operation will be conducted during the time series when the ICM Person Interviews are being completed. For households where the census day residents have moved out, as identified through the ICM Person Interview, we will attempt to