

receipt is August 13, 1999. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to August 30, 1999).

A copy of the application and the accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Customs Port of Entry—San Luis, Highway 95 and International Border, San Luis, Arizona 85364

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce 14th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230

Dated: May 28, 1999.

**Dennis Puccinelli,**

*Acting Executive Secretary*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Surveys, Focus Groups, and Other Customer Service Data Collections

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; 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 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before August 13, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5033, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at LEngelme@doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Phyllis Boyd, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 3220, Gaithersburg, MD, 20899-3220, (301) 975-4062.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

In accordance with Executive Order 12862, the National Institute of

Standards and Technology (NIST), a non-regulatory agency of the Department of Commerce, proposes to conduct a number of surveys—both quantitative and qualitative—designed to determine the kind and the quality of products, services, and information our key customers want and expect, as well as their satisfaction with and awareness of existing products, services, and information. In addition, NIST proposes other customer service satisfaction data collection that include, but may not be limited to focus groups, reply cards that accompany product distributions, and web-based surveys and dialogue boxes that offer customers the opportunity to express their level of satisfaction with NIST products, services, and information and for ongoing dialogue with NIST. NIST will limit its inquiries to data collections that solicit strictly voluntary opinions and will not collect information that is required or regulated. Steps will be taken to assure anonymity of respondents in each activity covered under this request. NIST is requesting generic approval for fiscal years FY2000, FY2001, and FY2002.

##### II. Method of Collection

NIST will collect this information by electronic means, as well as by mail, fax, telephone, and person-to-person.

##### III. Data

*OMB Number:* N/A.

*Form Number:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Regular Submission.

*Affected Public:* NIST customers, which may include businesses, academic institutions, associations, researchers, and other individuals, organizations, or institutions that deal with or wish to express an opinion about NIST products, services, or information.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* Annually, approximately 12,000.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* Varied, dependent upon the data collection. The response time may vary from less than two minutes for a response card to up to two hours for focus group participation. The average response time is expected to be less than 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* FY 2000—3,200 hours, FY 2001—3,067, FY 2002—2,800 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* The cost to the respondent for FY 2000 is estimated to be \$64,736, for FY 2001 is estimated to be \$62,045, and for FY 2002 is estimated to be \$56,644, based on a median hourly salary \$20.23. (Occupational Employment Statistics—Bureau of Labor Statistics 1997 National Occupational Employment and Wage

Data Professional, Paraprofessional, and Technical Occupations, \$20.23 represents the median hourly wage when averaging the full-time wage and salary earnings for OES 24199—All Other Physical Scientists—median hourly wage: \$22.85—<http://stats.bls.gov/oes/national/oes24199.htm> and OES 21999 All Other Management Support Workers—median hourly wage: \$17.61—<http://stats.bls.gov/oes/national/oes21999.htm>, two categories of individuals most likely to respond to information requests). No capital expenditures are required.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

##### 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 automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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

Dated: June 7, 1999.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

[OMB Control Number 0704-0214]

### Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Special Contracting Methods

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and