

**Additions**

*The following comments pertain to Mailroom Operation/Messenger Service, Peace Corps, Washington, DC:*

Comments were received from the current contractor for this mail operations service. The contractor stated that its staff providing this service are local minority persons, most of whom are the sole support of their families. The contractor indicated that these persons would probably be laid off, as the contractor is uncertain it can replace the work being lost. The contractor also indicated that this service and two other contracts expiring this year represent a significant portion of its business.

According to information the contractor gave the Committee, the portion of its total sales represented by this service does not reach a percentage which the Committee would consider to constitute severe adverse impact on a contractor. The contractor has not provided any information which would indicate, particularly in the current good economy, that the uncertainty of its ability to replace other contracts expiring this year should cause the Committee to give more weight to the impact this Procurement List addition will have on the contractor.

Consequently, the Committee does not believe this addition will have a severe adverse impact on the contractor.

The nonprofit agency which will perform this service plans to retain approximately half the contractor's current work force. The nonprofit agency also plans to employ more workers with severe disabilities than contractor workers that will be displaced. Because the unemployment rate for people with severe disabilities remains far above that of the workers being displaced, the Committee believes the contractor workers are more likely to find other employment than the people with severe disabilities would find if this service were not added to the Procurement List.

*The following material pertains to all of the items being added to the Procurement List:* After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4. I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the services to the Government.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

**Services**

Mailroom Operation/Messenger Service

U.S. Peace Corps Headquarters, 1111 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC

Mailroom Operation

New Orleans Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) Site, New Orleans, Louisiana

Switchboard Operation

Department of Justice, FBI Academy, Quantico, Virginia

This action does not affect current contracts awarded prior to the effective date of this addition or options that may be exercised under those contracts.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

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**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce 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. Chapter 35).

*Agency:* National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

*Title:* Fisheries Capacity Reduction Program Advanced Referenda and Other Requirements.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*OMB Approval Number:* 0648-0413.

*Type of Request:* Regular submission.

*Burden Hours:* 3,200.

*Number of Respondents:* 800.

*Average Hours Per Response:* 4 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* NOAA conducts a program to reduce excess fishing capacity by paying fishermen to (1) surrender their fishing permits or (2) both surrender their permits and either scrap their vessels or restrict vessel titles to prevent fishing. Separately approved requirements for the program included a referendum to be held at a certain point in the process. Comments on the proposed rule indicated that additional referenda may be needed. NOAA also decided that certain requirements that were considered implicitly part of previous requirements need to be made explicit. The submission to OMB covers the additional referenda and those other requirements.

*Affected Public:* Business and other for-profit organizations, individuals.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

*OMB Desk Officer:* David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3129, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: November 3, 2000.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Office of Inspector General****Performance Review Board Membership**

The following individuals are eligible to serve on the Performance Review Board (PRB) in accordance with the Department of Commerce Senior Executive Service Performance Appraisal System and the Office of Inspector General's PRB Charter: Edward L. Blansitt, Deputy Inspector General  
Elizabeth T. Barlow, Counsel to the Inspector General