

unfair foreign competition. For example, increased and expanded inspections for non-approved pesticides on imported tobacco are in the best interest of tobacco growers, their communities, and the health community.

(j) More needs to be done to prevent the harm caused by tobacco and this has been acknowledged by some tobacco product manufacturers. Comprehensive programs, such as those suggested in the August 2000 Report of the Surgeon General, to reduce tobacco use and the harm caused by tobacco should be adopted by both the public and private sector with a special emphasis on the problems facing tobacco growing states.

(k) Tobacco should be regulated. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) should have authority to establish fair and equitable regulatory controls over the manufacture, sale, distribution, and labeling of tobacco products, comparable to regulations established for other products regulated by the FDA. Such regulations should have as their goal the protection of public health. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) should retain its authority to set safety standards governing tobacco farms.

(l) Measures to fund the recommendations of the Commission must be reliable, long-term, and consistent with the best interests of both tobacco farming communities and the public health.

In its December 5, 2000, meeting, the Commission established a tobacco working group comprised of tobacco producers, farm organizations, and health community representatives to study further changes needed in the tobacco program and to propose recommendations to be considered by the Commission.

The Preliminary Report requests public input on a number of issues. This notice solicits recommendations on these issues or on any other issues pertinent to the Commission's charge. Copies of the Preliminary Report are available on the Commission's website at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/tobcom/> or by contacting the Commission's office at the contact information listed above. The purpose of this meeting is to review public input received to date on the Preliminary Report and to review the report from the tobacco working group and others in order to begin preparation of the Final Report to the President.

Signed at Washington, D.C. on February 1, 2001.

James R. Little,

Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Delaware Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Delaware Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 11:30 a.m. and adjourn at 3:30 p.m. on February 27, 2001, at the Metropolitan Wilmington Urban League, 100 W. 10th Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. The purpose of the meeting is to (1) make plans to hold a press conference to release the Committee's report, Delaware Citizens Guide to Civil Rights and Supporting Services, (2) hear from invited speakers on civil rights issues affecting the State; and (3) discuss new project proposals.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Ki-Taek Chun, Director of the Eastern Regional Office, 202-376-7533 (TDD 202-376-8116). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, January 29, 2001.

Edward A. Hailes, Jr.,

General Counsel.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Montana Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Montana Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 1:30 p.m. and adjourn at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 8, 2001, at the Holiday Inn, 400 10th Avenue, South, Great Falls, Montana 59405. The purpose of the meeting is to brief the Committee members on civil rights issues in the State and to provide an update on the current project, "Equal Educational Opportunities for Native American Students in Montana Public Schools."

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact John

Dulles, Director of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, 303-866-1040 (TDD 303-866-1049). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, January 31, 2001.

Edward A. Hailes, Jr.,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Current Industrial Reports Surveys—WAVE II (Mandatory and Voluntary Submissions)

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 April 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to: Judy Dodds, Assistant Chief for Census and Related Programs, (301) 457-4587, Census Bureau, Manufacturing and Construction Division, Room 2101, Building #4, Washington, DC 20233 (or via the Internet at judy.m.dodds@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau conducts a series of monthly, quarterly, and annual surveys as part of the Current Industrial Reports (CIR) program. The CIR surveys

deal mainly with the quantity and value of shipments of particular products and occasionally with data on production and inventories; unfilled orders, receipts, stocks and consumption; and comparative data on domestic production, exports, and imports of the products they cover. These surveys provide continuing and timely national statistical data on manufacturing. The results of these surveys are used extensively by individual firms, trade associations, and market analysts in planning or recommending marketing and legislative strategies.

The CIR program includes both mandatory and voluntary surveys.

Typically, the monthly and quarterly surveys are conducted on a voluntary basis and annual collections are mandatory. The collection frequency of individual CIR surveys is determined by the cyclical nature of production, the need for frequent trade monitoring, or the use of data in Government economic indicator series. Some monthly and quarterly CIR surveys have an annual "counterpart" collection. The annual counterpart collects annual data on a mandatory basis from those firms not participating in the more frequent collection.

Due to the large number of surveys in the CIR program, for clearance purposes,

the CIR surveys are divided into "waves." There are three waves and each wave contains a voluntary and mandatory clearance package, making 6 separate clearances. Each year, one wave (2 clearance packages) is submitted for review. This year the Census Bureau plans to submit mandatory and voluntary surveys of Wave II for clearance. Due to budgetary reductions the Census Bureau has discontinued the following surveys in this wave: MA325A—"Inorganic Chemicals", MA325B—"Fertilizer Materials", MA325C—"Industrial Gases", and MQ316A—"Footwear". The surveys in Wave II are:

Mandatory surveys	Voluntary surveys
M311J—Fats and Oils (Oilseed Crushings)	*M327G—Glass Containers.
M311L—Fats and Oils (Renderers)	*M331J—Inventories of Steel Producing Mills.
M313N—Cotton and Raw Linters in Public Storage	*MQ311A—Flour Milling Products.
M313P—Consumption on the Cotton System and Stocks	*MQ325A—Inorganic Chemicals.
MQ315A—Apparel	*MQ325C—Industrial Gases.
MQ314X—Bed and Bath Furnishings	MQ325F—Paint and Allied Products.
MQ333W—Metalworking Machinery	*MQ335C—Fluorescent Lamp Ballast.
MA313F—Yarn Production	MA311D—Confectionery.
MA313K—Knit Fabric Production	MA333N—Fluid Power Product.
MA314Q—Carpets and Rugs	MA335L—Electric Light Fixtures.
MA321T—Lumber Production and Mill Stocks	*These voluntary surveys have mandatory annual counterparts.
MA325G—Pharmaceutical Preparations, except Biologicals	
MA316A—Footwear	
MA335J—Insulated Wire and Cable	
MA333L—Internal Combustion Engines	
MA333P—Pumps and Compressors	
MA335E—Electric Housewares and Fans	
MA334M—Consumer Electronics	
MA334Q—Semiconductor, Printed Circuit Boards, and Other Electronic Components.	
MA334S—Electromedical and Irradiation Equipment	

II. Method of Collection

The Census Bureau will use mail out/mail back survey forms to collect data. We ask respondents to return monthly report forms within 10 days, quarterly report forms within 15 days, and annual report forms within 30 days of the initial mailing. Telephone calls and/or letters encouraging participation will be mailed to respondents who have not responded by the designated time.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0395—Mandatory Surveys. 0607-0206—Voluntary & Annual Counterparts Surveys.

Form Number: See Chart Above.
Type of Review: Regular Review.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: Mandatory Surveys—11,652; Voluntary & Annual Counterparts Surveys—2,742; Total—14,394.

Estimated Time Per Response: Mandatory Surveys—1.4546 hrs. avg.; Voluntary & Annual Counterparts Surveys—1.386 hrs. avg.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: Mandatory Surveys—16,949 hours; Voluntary & Annual Counterparts Surveys—3,800 hours; Total—20,749 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The estimated cost to respondents for all the CIR reports in Wave II for fiscal year 2002 is \$377,632.

Respondent's Obligation: The CIR program includes both mandatory and voluntary surveys.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Sections 61, 81, 182, 224, and 225.

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 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.

Dated: February 1, 2001.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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