DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit 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 Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).


OMB Control Number: None.

Type of Request: Regular submission (new information collection).

Number of Respondents: 50.

Average Hours per Response: 15 minutes.

Burden Hours: 13.

Needs and Uses: The Building Construction Technology Extension Pilot (BCTEP) sponsored by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), the Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) and the Department of Energy (DOE), Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy/Building Technologies Office (EERE/BTO), is focused on training building operators in the principles and practices of building energy systems re-tuning. Re-tuning is a systematic semi-automated process of identifying operational problems in commercial and industrial buildings. The information collected under this request will be used to monitor and evaluate the Competitive Award Recipients’ participation in the project as well as providing Congress with quantitative information required for government-supported programs. The reporting criterion is: Project accountability; project evaluation; award recipient evaluation; analysis and research; reports to stakeholders; continuous improvement; knowledge sharing; and identification of distinctive practices.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; Not for-profit institutions.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482–0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at Jessup@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Jasmeet Seehra, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395–5167 or via the Internet at Jasmeet_K__Seehra@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: September 26, 2013.

Gwellnar Banks,
Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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Title: California Recreational Groundfish Survey.

OMB Control Number: None.

Type of Request: Regular submission (request for a new information collection).

Number of Respondents: 1,500.

Average Hours per Response: 25 minutes.

Burden Hours: 208.

Needs and Uses: The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) plans to collect data to increase the agency’s understanding of California saltwater angler preferences relative to Pacific groundfish. Pacific groundfish caught in California’s recreational fishery include about 17 species of rockfish, as well as lingcod, cabezon, and California scorpionfish. The number and diversity of species caught in this fishery poses a regulatory challenge for State and Federal fisheries managers. Information to be collected pertains to anglers’ recreational saltwater fishing activities in California (including groundfish); their attitudes and preferences regarding particular groundfish species and groundfish regulations; and angler demographics. The data collected will provide NMFS, as well as state agency partners such as the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), with information useful for understanding current groundfish fishing behavior and possible responses to potential regulatory changes.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: One time.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

Foreign-Trade Zone 155—Calhoun/ Victoria Counties, Texas; Authorization of Production Activity; Caterpillar, Inc. (Excavator and Frame Assembly Production); Victoria, Texas


The notification was processed in accordance with the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400) including notice in the Federal Register inviting public comment (78 FR 35604, 06/13/2013). The FTZ Board has determined that no further review of the activity is warranted at this time. The production activity described in the notification is authorized, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including Section 400.14.
Petitioners filed responses to these requests on September 13, 2013.4

In accordance with section 732(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the “Act”), Petitioners allege that imports of rebar from Mexico and Turkey are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 731 of the Act and that such imports are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, an industry in the United States. Also, consistent with section 732(b)(1) of the Act, the Petitions are accompanied by information reasonably available to Petitioners supporting their allegations.

The Department finds that Petitioners filed these Petitions on behalf of the domestic industry because Petitioners are interested parties as defined in sections 771(9)(C), (E), and (F) of the Act. The Department also finds that Petitioners have demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the initiation of the AD investigations that Petitioners are requesting. See the “Determination of Industry Support for the Petitions” section below.

Period of Investigation

Because the Petitions were filed on September 4, 2013, the period of investigation (“POI”) for the Mexico and Turkey investigations is July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013.5

Scope of the Investigations

The product covered by these investigations is steel concrete reinforcing bar from Mexico and Turkey. For a full description of the scope of the investigations, see the “Scope of the Investigations,” in the Appendix of this notice.6 Petitioners note that, in addition to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (“HTSUS”) subheadings included in the scope, it is possible that rebar previously entered under HTSUS numbers 7222.30.0011 and 7222.11.0056; however, these HTSUS numbers are no longer in effect.

Comments on Scope of Investigations

During our review of the Petitions, we discussed the scope with Petitioners to ensure that it is an accurate reflection of the product for which the domestic industry is seeking relief. Moreover, as discussed in the preamble to the regulations,7 we are setting aside a period for interested parties to raise issues regarding product coverage.

All comments must be filed on the record of both the Mexico and the Turkey AD investigations and the companion Turkey Countervailing Duty rebar investigation by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Tuesday, October 15, 2013. All comments and submissions to the Department must be filed electronically using Import Administration’s Antidumping Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (“IA ACCESS”).8 An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by the Department’s electronic records system, IA ACCESS, by the time and date noted above. Documents excepted from the electronic submission requirements must be filed manually (i.e., in paper form) with Import Administration’s APO/Dockets Unit, Room 1870, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, and stamped with the date and time of receipt by the deadline noted above.

The period of scope comments is intended to provide the Department with ample opportunity to consider all comments and to consult with parties prior to the issuance of the preliminary determinations.

1 See Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Mexico and Turkey and the Imposition of Countervailing Duties on Imports of Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Turkey, dated September 4, 2013 (“the Petitions”).


3 See letters from the Department titled, “Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on Imports of Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Mexico and the Republic of Turkey and Countervailing Duties on Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Turkey,” dated September 4, 2013 (“the Petitions”).

4 See Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Mexico: Supplement to the Petition for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties, dated September 13, 2013 (“Mexico AD Supplement”); see also “Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Turkey: Supplement to the Petition for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties,” dated September 13, 2013 (“Turkey AD Supplement”).

5 See 19 CFR 351.204(b)(1).

6 See Memorandum to the File titled, “Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on Imports of Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Mexico and the Republic of Turkey and Countervailing Duties on Imports of Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from the Republic of Turkey: Scope Clarification,” dated September 18, 2013.
