

public 80 minutes to create a nucleotide/amino acid sequence listing in an application. In the electronic version of the sequence listing, EFS BIO, it is estimated that it will take 10 minutes to create and submit a sequence listing in an application.

Needs and Uses: Nucleotide and amino acid sequence disclosure information is used by the PTO during the examination process to determine the patentability of an application by effectively examining the sequences in order to process the data more efficiently. The PTO also uses the data after examination to support publication of issued patents. In addition, the sequences are used by the PTO during participation with the European and Japanese Patent Offices in a Trilateral Sequence Exchange project, thereby facilitating the international exchange of published sequence data. After patent publication, the public and the bar associations can search the nucleotide/amino acid sequence listings. Applicants use the sequence data when preparing both national and international patent applications.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit institutions, not-for-profit institutions, farms, the Federal government, and state, local, or tribal governments.

Frequency: As applied for when patent applicants submit a patent application (both national and international applications) containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure data within their patent applications.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

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

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5027, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 or via e-mail at LEngelme@doc.gov.

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

Dated: April 4, 2000.

Linda Engelmeier,
Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Materials Processing Equipment Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Materials Processing Equipment Technical Advisory Committee will meet on May 11, 2000, 9:00 a.m., Room 3884, in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues, NW, Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration with respect to technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to materials processing equipment and related technology.

Agenda

Open Session

1. Opening remarks by the Chairman
2. Presentation of papers or comments by the public
3. Update of Wassenaar Arrangement negotiations
4. Status of Computerized Numerical Controller (CNC) software
5. Status of definition for "specially designed"
6. Recommendations from the Committee

Closed Session

7. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with the U.S. export control program and strategic criteria related thereto.

A limited number of seats will be available for the open session of the meeting. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements of the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the materials prior to the meeting date to the following address: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, OSIES/EA/BXA MS:3876, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th St. & Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20230.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on December 11, 1999, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the series of meetings of the Committee and of any Subcommittees thereof, dealing with the classified materials listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in section 10(a)(1) and (a)(3), of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The remaining series of meetings or portions thereof will be open to the public.

A copy of the Notice of Determination to close meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee is available for public inspection and copying in the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, U.S.

Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. For more information, contact Lee Ann Carpenter on (202) 482-2583.

Dated: April 6, 2000.

Lee Ann Carpenter,
Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Critical Infrastructure Assurance Office; Announcement of a Workshop on Public Key Infrastructure for Advanced Network Technologies

AGENCY: Bureau of Export Administration, Critical Infrastructure Assurance Office.

ACTION: Notice of Public Meeting/Workshop.

SUMMARY: The Critical Infrastructure Assurance Office (CIAO) invites interested parties to attend a workshop on April 27-28, 2000, on Public Key Infrastructures for Advanced Network Technologies. The workshop is designed to promote the deployment and use of a high confidence public key infrastructure and related security technologies for advanced networks and distributed government applications in E-commerce and related critical systems.

DATES: The workshop will be held on April 27-28, 2000, starting at 8:30 am until 5:00 pm.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Building 101, Lecture Room A. Gaithersburg, MD, 20899. Attendance is open to all interested persons, but seating is limited. Therefore, registration for attendance will be accepted on a first-come basis. To register please contact Wanda Rose at (202) 589-3241 or by E-mail: Wanda.Rose@ciao.gov.

FOR FURTHER TECHNICAL INFORMATION

CONTACT: Robert Rosenthal, Critical Infrastructure Assurance Office, 1800 G St., NW, 8th floor, Washington, D.C. 20006; Phone number: (202) 589-3231; E-mail: Robert.Rosenthal@ciao.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

● The workshop is designed to promote the deployment and use of a high confidence public key infrastructure and related security technologies for advanced networks and distributed government applications in E-commerce and related critical systems in banking and finance, energy, transportation, and telecommunications sectors.