

stated their view that the Commission should promulgate a uniform national flammability standard for upholstered furniture. In a May 2, 2003 letter to Chairman Stratton, AFMA reiterated this position and recommended that a standard include requirements for upholstered furniture cigarette ignitability.

In a June 27, 2003 letter to Chairman Stratton, a group of six upholstery fabric manufacturers (the "Fabric Coalition") also expressed support for a national mandatory flammability standard for upholstered furniture. The Fabric Coalition asserted that its recommended approach to a national standard would address both cigarette- and open flame-related fire losses.

A number of factors bear on whether CPSC should directly address the risk of cigarette-ignited upholstered furniture fires. These include the large proportion of fire losses resulting from cigarette ignitions, the importance of reducing this risk in any effective remedial action, the feasibility of risk-reducing remedies, and the adequacy of existing voluntary standards to address the risk.

B. The Public Meeting

The purpose of the public meeting is to provide a forum for oral presentations on the CPSC staff briefing package on upholstered furniture flammability, with emphasis on the factors noted above.

Participation in the meeting is open. See the **DATES** section of this notice for information on making requests to give oral presentations at the meeting and on submitting copies of presentation texts.

Dated: August 22, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0129]

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Submission for OMB Review; Cost Accounting Standards Administration

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0129).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning cost accounting standards administration. A request for public comments was published in the **Federal Register** at 68 FR 35634 on June 24, 2003. No comments were received.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before September 26, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVA), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward Loeb, Office of Acquisition Policy, GSA, 501-0650.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

FAR subpart 30.6 and the clause at 52.230-5 include pertinent rules and regulations related to the Cost Accounting Standards along with necessary administrative policies and procedures. These administrative policies require certain contractors to submit cost impact estimates and descriptions in cost accounting practices and also to provide information on CAS-covered subcontractors.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Number of Respondents: 644.

Responses Per Respondent: 2.27.

Total Responses: 1,462.

Average Burden Hours Per Response: 200.85.

Total Burden Hours: 293,650.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals:

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVA), Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0129, Cost Accounting Standards Administration, in all correspondence.

Dated: August 20, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Admissions announces the proposed reinstatement of a public information collection and seeks public comment on provisions thereof. 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 of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, unity, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by October 31, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the United States Air Force Academy, Office of Admissions, 2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 236, USAFA, CO 80840.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposed and associated collection instruments, please write to above address, or call the United States Air Force Academy, Office of Admissions, (719) 333-7291.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Air Force Academy Candidate