

2007-0062], by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- E-mail: [ken.rogers@dhs.gov](mailto:ken.rogers@dhs.gov). Include docket number [DHS-2007-0062] in the subject line of the message.

- Mail: Science and Technology Directorate, ATTN: OCIO/Kenneth D. Rogers, 245 Murray Drive, Bldg 410, Washington, DC 20528.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kenneth D. Rogers (202) 254-6185 (this is not a toll free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Interested parties can obtain copies of the Forms Package by calling or writing the point of contact listed above.

The DHS S&T Directorate issues RFIs in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 15.201(e) and accepts responses to those RFIs from the public. DHS S&T also issues BAAs in accordance with FAR 6.102(d)(2)(i) and FAR 35.016 and accepts white papers and proposals from the public in response to those BAAs. DHS S&T evaluates white papers and proposals received from the public in response to a DHS S&T BAA using the evaluation criteria specified in the BAA through a peer or scientific review process in accordance with FAR 35.016(d). White paper evaluation determines those research ideas that merit submission of a full proposal, and proposal evaluation determines those proposals that merit selection for contract award.

Unclassified white papers and proposals are typically collected via the DHS S&T BAA secure Web site, while classified white papers and proposals must be submitted via proper classified courier or classified mailing procedures as described in the National Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM).

DHS is particularly interested in comments that:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Suggest ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Suggest ways to minimize the burden of the data collection on those who respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological

collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**Overview of this Information Collection**

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* New information collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* DHS S&T BAA Web Site Registration Form; DHS S&T BAA Registration Form; DHS S&T BAA White Paper and Proposal Submission Form; DHS S&T RFI Response Form.

(3) *Agency Form Number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:* DHS Science and Technology (S&T) BAA Web Site Registration Form (DHS FORM 10025), DHS S&T BAA Registration Form (DHS FORM 10027), DHS S&T BAA White Paper and Proposal Submission Form (DHS FORM 10026), and DHS S&T RFI Response Form (DHS FORM 10028).

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal government, and State, local, or tribal government; the data gathered through the BAA Forms Package will be used to collect RFI responses and unclassified white papers and proposals through the BAA Web site.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:*

a. *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 1,548.75 burden hours.

b. *An estimate of the time for an average respondent to respond:* 1.25 burden hours.

Dated: August 8, 2007.

**Kenneth D. Rogers,**

*Chief Information Officer, Science and Technology Directorate.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**[Docket No. DHS-2007-0058]**

**The National Infrastructure Advisory Council**

**AGENCY:** Directorate for National Protection and Programs, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Committee Management; Notice of Federal Advisory Council Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Infrastructure Advisory Council will meet on October

9, 2007 in Washington, DC. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATE:** The National Infrastructure Advisory Council will meet Tuesday, October 9 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please note that the meeting may close early if the committee has completed its business. The time of the meeting is also subject to change. For the most current information, please consult the NIAC Web site, <http://www.dhs.gov/niac>, or contact Mark Baird by phone at 703-235-5352 or by e-mail at [mark.baird@associates.dhs.gov](mailto:mark.baird@associates.dhs.gov)

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the National Press Club, 529 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20045. While we will be unable to accommodate oral comments from the public, written comments may be sent to Nancy Wong, Department of Homeland Security, Directorate for National Protection and Programs, Washington, DC 20528. Written comments should reach the contact person listed below by September 9, 2007. Comments must be identified by DHS-2007-0058 and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- E-mail: [mark.baird@associates.dhs.gov](mailto:mark.baird@associates.dhs.gov). Include the docket number in the subject line of the message.

- Fax: 703-235-5887.

- Mail: Nancy Wong, Department of Homeland Security, Directorate for National Protection and Programs, Washington, DC 20528.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the words "Department of Homeland Security" and the docket number for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received by the National Infrastructure Advisory Council, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Nancy Wong, NIAC Designated Federal Officer, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528; telephone 703-235-5352.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92-463). The National Infrastructure Advisory Council shall provide the President through the Secretary of Homeland Security with advice on the security of the critical

infrastructure sectors and their information systems.

The National Infrastructure Advisory Council will meet to address issues relevant to the protection of critical infrastructure as directed by the President. The October 9, 2007 meeting will also include initial findings from two Working Groups:

(1) Chemical, Biological, and Radiological Events and Critical Infrastructure Workers; and (2) The Insider Threat to Critical Infrastructures.

#### *Procedural*

This meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished.

Participation in The National Infrastructure Advisory Council deliberations is limited to committee members, Department of Homeland Security officials, and persons invited to attend the meeting for special presentations.

#### *Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities*

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Nancy Wong as soon as possible.

Dated: August 8, 2007.

**Nancy Wong,**

*Designated Federal Officer for the NIAC.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5117-N-64]

### **Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request: HUD Standardized Grant Application Forms**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* October 16, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Lillian L. Deitzer, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410; telephone: 202-708-2374 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail Ms. Deitzer at [Lillian\\_L\\_Deitzer@HUD.gov](mailto:Lillian_L_Deitzer@HUD.gov) for a copy of the proposed form and other available information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lillian L. Deitzer, QDAM, Office of Policy and E-Government, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; telephone 202-708-2374 (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the

accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* HUD Standardized Grant Application Forms.

*OMB Control Number, if applicable:* 2501-0017.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* The subject information collection is required to rate and rank competitive grant applications and to ensure eligibility of applicants for funding. This revision further standardizes the format of information previously included in the information collections for grant applications, but does not significantly increase the information burden.

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:* HUD-424-B, HUD-424-CB, HUD-424-CBW, HUD-424-M.

*Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:*

*Members of Affected Public:* Individuals or Households, Not-for-profit Institutions, State, Local or Tribal government.

|                        | Number of respondents | Annual responses | × | Hours per response | = | Burden hours |
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*Total Estimated Burden Hours:* 1.

*Status of the proposed information collection:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

**Authority:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: August 10, 2007.

**Lillian L. Deitzer,**

*Departmental Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5117-N-65]

### **Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; HUD Affordable Communities Award**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.