

D. Paper Disposition.

An important corollary issue for public comment relates to the final disposition of the paper collections. The USPTO intends to consider expressions of interest from the public and private sector regarding third-party interest in maintaining the paper collections. The USPTO particularly seeks comment on the following paper disposition options. Any transfer of Federal records would be made only with the written authorization of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

D.1 Offer the collections to the NARA or some other government agency (Federal or state).

D.2 Transfer ownership of the collections to an educational or not-for-profit entity that agrees to keep them current and to make them available to the public (no exchange of money).

D.3 Offer the collections for sale.

D.4 If necessary for disposition, divide the collections and permit the transfer/sale of different segments to different organizations/businesses.

Dated: May 24, 2001.

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Acting Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Acting Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness).

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, as amended, section 3506(c)(2)(A) of title 44, United States Code, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces the following proposal to renew public information collection forms and seeks public comment on the 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 burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on

respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by October 26, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) Department of Defense Education Activity, 4040 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203, ATTN: Ms. Sara Riggs.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address or call at (703) 696-3067 ext. 2652.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Control Number: Employment Opportunities for Educators; DS Forms 5010, 5011, 5012 and 5013; OMB Number 0704-0370.

Needs and Uses: The information collected by these forms concerns applicants for educator positions within the Department of Defense Dependents Schools. The information is used to verify employment history of educator applicants and to determine creditable previous experience for pay-setting purposes for candidates selected for educator positions. In addition, the information is used to ensure the selection for employment with the Department of Defense Dependents Schools of individuals possessing the abilities and personal traits that give promise of outstanding success under the unusual circumstances they will find working abroad. Information gathered is also used to ensure that the Department of Defense Dependents Schools personnel practices meet the requirements of Federal law. Completion of the forms is entirely voluntary.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 11,200.

Number of Respondents: 24,000.

Responses per Respondents: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 28 minutes.

Frequency: Annually.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

The primary objective of the information collection is to ensure a quality education from prekindergarten through grade 12 for the eligible minor dependents of the Department of Defense military and civilian personnel on official overseas assignments. This is

accomplished by securing data from applicants for educational positions and officials with sufficient information to address an individual applicant's traits and characteristics.

The forms associated with this data collection are:

Department of Defense Dependents Schools Supplemental Application for Overseas Employment (DS Form 5010). The primary objective of this voluntary form is to ascertain an applicant's eligibility for educator positions.

Department of Defense Dependents Schools Professional Evaluation (DS Form 5011). This form is provided to officials in managerial and supervisory positions as a means of verifying abilities and personal traits of applicants for educator positions to ensure the selection of the best-qualified individuals to occupy educator positions.

Department of Defense Dependents Schools Voluntary Questionnaire (DS Form 5012). This voluntary form helps ensure that the Department of Defense Dependents Schools personnel practices meet the requirements of Federal law.

Department of Defense Dependents Schools Verification of Professional Educator Employment for Salary Rating Purposes (DS Form 5013). The purpose of this voluntary form is to verify employment history of educator applicants and to determine creditable previous experience for pay-setting purposes for selected candidates.

Dated: August 20, 2001.

Patricia Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, DoD.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0013]

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Proposed Collection; Cost or Pricing Data Requirements and Information Other Than Cost or Pricing Data

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 (9000-0013).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting 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 or pricing data requirements and information other than cost or pricing data. The clearance currently expires on November 30, 2001.

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: Submit comments on or before October 26, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerry Olson, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

ADDRESSEES: Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The Truth in Negotiations Act requires the Government to obtain certified cost or pricing data under certain circumstances. Contractors may request an exemption from this requirement under certain conditions and provide other information instead.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 33,332.
Responses Per Respondent: 6.
Total Responses: 199,992.
Hours Per Response: 50.51.
Total Burden Hours: 10,101,684.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the proposal from the General Services

Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0013, Cost or Pricing Data Requirements and Information Other Than Cost Pricing Data, in all correspondence.

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Gloria Sochon,

Acting Director, Acquisition Policy Division.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0018]

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Proposed Collection; Certification of Independent Price Determination and Parent Company and Identifying Data

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

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0018).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning certification of independent price determination and parent company and identifying data. The clearance currently expires November 30, 2001.

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: Submit comments on or before October 26, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments regarding this burden or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ralph DeStefano, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-1758.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

Agencies are required to report under 41 U.S.C. 252(d) and 10 U.S.C. 2305(d) suspected violations of the antitrust laws (e.g., collusive bidding, identical bids, uniform estimating systems, etc.) to the Attorney General.

As a first step in assuring that Government contracts are not awarded to firms violating such laws, offerors on Government contracts must complete the certificate of independent price determination. An offer will not be considered for award where the certificate has been deleted or modified. Deletions or modifications of the certificate and suspected false certificates are reported to the Attorney General.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 64,250.
Responses Per Respondent: 20.
Total Responses: 1,285,000.
Hours Per Response: .01.
Total Burden Hours: 12,850.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the proposal from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), Room 4035, 1800 F Street, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0018, Certification of Independent Price Determination and Parent Company and Identifying Data, in all correspondence.

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