

than 100 nanocuries of alpha-emitting TRU isotopes per gram of waste. Most TRU waste consists of items contaminated during the production of nuclear weapons, such as rags, equipment, tools, and organic and inorganic sludges.

On May 13, 1998, EPA announced its final compliance certification decision to the Secretary of Energy (published May 18, 1998, 63 FR 27354). This decision states that the WIPP will comply with the EPA's radioactive waste disposal regulations at 40 CFR part 191, subparts B and C.

The final WIPP certification decision includes a condition that prohibits shipment of TRU waste for disposal at WIPP from any site other than LANL until EPA has approved the procedures developed to comply with the waste characterization requirements of § 194.24(c)(4) (Condition 3 of Appendix A to 40 CFR part 194). The EPA's approval process for waste generator sites is described in § 194.8. As part of EPA's decision making process, DOE is required to submit to EPA relevant documentation of waste characterization programs at each DOE waste generator site seeking approval for shipment of TRU radioactive waste to the WIPP. In accordance with § 194.8, EPA will place such documentation in the official Air Docket in Washington, D.C., and in informational dockets in the State of New Mexico, for public review and comment.

At the direction of DOE's Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO), Westinghouse TRU Solutions (WTS) has been developing the CCP mainly to assist DOE facilities that have generated small quantities of TRU waste with meeting applicable waste characterization requirements. At the present stage of development of the CCP, all required waste characterization will be managed by WTS at TRU waste sites prior to shipment to the WIPP. For the inspection announced today, the CCP will demonstrate their capabilities in characterizing TRU debris waste generated at SRS in accordance with the DOE/CBFO-implemented waste characterization (WC) and quality assurance (QA) plans.

DOE/CBFO conducted an initial audit of the CCP at SRS on June 18–20, 2001, which EPA observed. DOE/CBFO has scheduled a final audit for the week of September 24, 2001, to evaluate the adequacy, implementation, and effectiveness of technical and quality assurance activities related to the CCP TRU waste characterization of contact-handled, retrievably-stored debris waste at SRS. The evaluation would lead DOE/CBFO to certify that the CCP-characterized CH TRU debris waste

meets all applicable requirements at 40 CFR part 194. We will conduct an independent inspection under § 194.8 at the same time as DOE/CBFO's audit to verify that the CCP has characterized SRS-generated CH TRU debris waste appropriately in accordance with Condition 3 of our WIPP Certification Decision (Appendix A to 40 CFR part 194) and § 194.24(c)(4). The CCP may not ship transuranic waste from SRS to the WIPP until EPA has approved the CCP's waste characterization processes and quality assurance in accordance with § 194.8.

The following documents related to the CCP have been placed in Air Docket A–98–49, particularly: (1) “CCP–PO–001—Revision 2, 7/23/01—CCP Transuranic Waste Quality Assurance Characterization Project Plan” (2) “CCP–PO–002—Revision 2, 7/23/01—CCP Transuranic Waste Certification Plan” and (3) IWR NO. AC27750W—Revision 0, 7/23/01—Savannah River Site Statement of Work IE 8863 for Clarification of SRS TRU Waste.” These documents describe the top-tier programmatic requirements for the CCP. In accordance with § 194.8 of the WIPP compliance criteria, we are providing the public 30 days to comment on the documents in the docket. EPA will review other potentially relevant documentation and will interview CCP personnel during the inspection. Our inspection activities and findings will be summarized in our inspection report, which will be placed in Docket A–98–49.

If EPA determines that the provisions in the documents available in the EPA Docket are adequately implemented, we will notify DOE by letter and place the letter in the official Air Docket in Washington, D.C., and in the informational docket locations in New Mexico. We will not make a determination of compliance prior to the inspection or before the 30-day comment period has closed.

Information on EPA's radioactive waste disposal standards (40 CFR part 191), the compliance criteria (40 CFR part 194), and EPA's certification decision is filed in the official EPA Air Docket, Dockets No. R–89–01, A–92–56, and A–93–02, respectively, and is available for review in Washington, D.C., and at the three EPA WIPP informational docket locations in New Mexico. The dockets in New Mexico contain only major items from the official Air Docket in Washington, D.C., plus those documents added to the official Air Docket after the October 1992 enactment of the WIPP LWA.

Dated: August 23, 2001.

Jeffrey R. Holmstead,

Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Government in the Sunshine Meeting Notice

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 4, 2001.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Michelle A. Smith, Assistant to the Board; 202–452–3204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202–452–3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: August 24, 2001.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Office of Communications

Cancellation of a Standard Form by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM)

AGENCY: Office of Communications, GSA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) cancelled SF 71,

Application for Leave since they no longer prescribe any standard data elements for requesting and approving leave. Each agency needs to set their own policy on how this process is handled. OPM developed their own form which they are happy to share with you but is NOT for mandatory use. You can obtain a copy of this form from the internet (Address: <http://www.opm.gov/forms>).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Barbara Williams, General Services Administration, (202) 501-0581.

DATES: Effective August 29, 2001.

Dated: August 21, 2001.

Barbara M. Williams,

Deputy Standard and Optional Forms Management Officer, General Services Administration.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 3090-0243]

Submission for OMB Review and Extension; Comment Request Entitled GSAR 516.203-4, Contract Clause and GSAR 552.216-70 Economic Price Adjustment (EPA)

AGENCY: General Services Administration, GSA.

ACTION: Notice of a request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the General Services Administration (GSA) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a previously approved information collection requirement concerning the Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) Economic Price Adjustment (EPA) Clause.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether the information collection generated by the GSAR Clause, Economic Price Adjustment (EPA) is necessary to determine an offeror's price is fair and reasonable; 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 October 29, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia Wise, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 208-1168.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: Edward Springer, GSA Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10236, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to Stephanie Morris, General Services Administration (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The General Services Administration (GSA) has various mission responsibilities related to the acquisition and provision of FSS MAS contracts. These mission responsibilities generate requirements that are realized through the solicitation and award of contracts for various products and services. Individual solicitations and resulting contracts may impose unique information collection and reporting requirements on contractors not required by regulation, but necessary to evaluate particular program accomplishments and measure success in meeting program objectives.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 3,857.

Annual Responses: 5,786.

Burden Hours: 3,857.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals

A copy of this proposal may be obtained from the General Services Administration, Acquisition Policy Division (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, or

by telephoning (202) 501-4744, or by faxing your request to (202) 501-4067. Please cite OMB Control No. 3090-0243, Contract Clause and Economic Price Adjustment, in all correspondence.

David A. Drabkin,

Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Acquisition Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary publishes a list of information collections it has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) and 5 CFR 1320.5. The following are those information collections recently submitted to OMB.

1. Assessment of State Laws, Regulations and Practices Affecting the Collection and Reporting of Racial and Ethnic Data by Health Insurers and Managed Care Plans—NEW—One of the overarching goals of Healthy People 2010 is the elimination of health disparities, including those associated with race and ethnicity. The lack of data has been identified as a barrier to performance measurement for this goal. Therefore, the Office of Minority Health is proposing a study which will examine States' laws and policies concerning the collection and use of racial and ethnic data by health insurers and managed care plans. The study involves visits to 13 States for an in-depth look at their policies and practices, interviews with State officials and representatives of the States' major managed care plans and health insurance industry, and focus groups with consumer and civil rights organizations. *Respondents:* State or local governments; businesses or other for-profit; non-profit institutions.

BURDEN INFORMATION

Instrument	Number of respondents	Burden per response	Burden hours
Administrator Interview guide	78	4	312
Consumer Focus Group	130	2	260
Total	208		572