

## II. Method of Collection

The license application can be submitted electronically via the Commerce website (<https://trade.gov/steel>) or completed electronically and emailed to the Department.

## III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 0625–0245.

*Form Number(s):* ITA–4141P.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4,250.

*Estimated Time per Response:* Less than 10 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 78,820 minutes, including 416 burden hours for low-value licenses.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* 13 U.S.C. 301(a) and 302.

## IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; CHIPS Pre-application Information Collection

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on April 12, 2023, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

*Agency:* National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce.

*Title:* CHIPS Pre-application Information Collection.

*OMB Control Number* 0693–0095.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Request:* Regular submission.

*Number of Respondents:* 140.

*Average Hours per Response:* 60 hours.

*Burden Hours:* 8400 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* Businesses and other entities applying for CHIPS Act funding under the CHIPS Incentive Program may, but are not required to, submit a pre-application via a form available at <https://applications.chips.gov/> to obtain feedback before submitting a full application. The pre-application phase creates an opportunity for dialogue between the Department of Commerce and the applicant to ensure the applicant is ready to meet program requirements and address program priorities.

Information to be collected includes:

- A Cover Page with general contact and project information;
- A Project Plan that describes each project expected to be included in the future full application. The project plan should explain how each project satisfies the program description and the evaluation criteria in the CHIPS Incentive Program—Commercial Fabrication Facilities Notice of Funding Opportunity;

- Financial Information summarizing financial information for the applicant and the project(s), as well as a detailed sources and uses of funds, including overview of CHIPS incentive request;
- Workforce Development

Information describing the applicant's approach to recruit, train, and retain a diverse and skilled set of workers to fill the good jobs that will be created to operate its semiconductor facilities.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Frequency:* Once.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* CHIPS Act of 2022 (Division A of Pub. L. 117–167) (the Act).

This information collection request may be viewed at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov). Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0693–0095.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Client Impact Survey

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information