

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, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments identified by *Information Collection 9000-0083, Qualification Requirements*, by any of the following methods:

- *Regulations.gov*: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching the OMB control number. Select the link "Submit a Comment" that corresponds with "Information Collection 9000-0083, Qualification Requirements". Follow the instructions provided at the "Submit a Comment" screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "Information Collection 9000-0083, Qualification Requirements" on your attached document.

- *Fax*: 202-501-4067.
- *Mail*: General Services

Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20417. ATTN: Hada Flowers/IC 9000-0083, Qualification Requirements.

**Instructions:** Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000-0083, Qualification Requirements, in all correspondence related to this collection. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Patricia Corrigan, Procurement Analyst, Office of Governmentwide Acquisition Policy, GSA, (202) 208-1963 or [patricia.corrigan@gsa.gov](mailto:patricia.corrigan@gsa.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **A. Purpose**

FAR subpart 9.2 and the associated clause at FAR 52.209-1, implement the statutory requirements of 10 U.S.C. 2319 and 41 U.S.C. 3311, which allow an agency to establish a qualification requirement for testing or other quality assurance demonstration that must be completed by an offeror before award of a contract. Under the qualification requirements, an end item, or a component thereof, may be required to be prequalified. The clause at FAR 52.209-1, Qualification Requirements,

requires offerors who have met the qualification requirements to identify the offeror's name, the manufacturer's name, source's name, the item name, service identification, and test number (to the extent known).

The contracting officer uses the information to determine eligibility for award when the clause at 52.209-1 is included in the solicitation. Alternatively, items not yet listed may be considered for award upon the submission of evidence of qualification with the offer.

##### **B. Annual Reporting Burden**

There is no Governmentwide data collection process or system, e.g., Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS) which identifies the number of solicitations issued that include qualification requirements. To date, no public comments or questions have been received regarding the burden estimates included in the currently approved clearance. However, a change is being made regarding the estimated number of responses annually from 100 (in the currently approved burden) to a more appropriate estimated average of 5 responses annually (i.e., the number of proposals received per solicitation issued). For purposes of this clearance, time required to read and prepare information remains at 15 minutes per submission assuming an offeror's use of electronic information tracking and retrieval processes.

*Respondents:* 2,207.

*Responses per Respondent:* 5.

*Annual Responses:* 11,035.

*Hours per Response:* .25.

*Total Burden Hours:* 2,758.

##### *Obtaining Copies of Proposals:*

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street NE., Washington, DC, 20417, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0083, Qualification Requirements, in all correspondences.

Dated: August 17, 2012.

**William Clark,**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board; Notice of Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is published in accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463). The topic of the meeting on October 23-25, 2012 is to review new start research and development projects requesting Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program funds in excess of \$1 million. This meeting is open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the Scientific Advisory Board at the time and in the manner permitted by the Board.

**DATES:** Tuesday, October 23, 2012 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday, October 24 from 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. and Thursday, October 25 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** George Mason Conference Room at Metro Offices, 4601 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 1200, Arlington, VA 22203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jonathan Bunker, SERDP Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 17D08 Alexandria, VA 22350-3600, by telephone at (571) 372-6384.

Dated: August 21, 2012.

**Aaron Siegel,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Meeting of the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council (MFRC)**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 10(a), Public Law 92-463, as amended, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming meeting of the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council (MFRC). The purpose of the Council meeting is to review the military family programs which will be the focus for the Council for next year, and address