

information is necessary; 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 July 20, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments identified by Information Collection 9000-0076, Novation/Change of Name 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 9000-0076, Novation/Change of Name Requirements". Follow the instructions provided at the "Submit a Comment" screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "Information Collection 9000-0076, Novation/Change of Name 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 9000-0076, Novation/Change of Name Requirements.

*Instructions:* Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000-0076, Novation/Change of Name 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:** Mr. Curtis E. Glover, Sr., Procurement Analyst, Office of Governmentwide Acquisition Policy, GSA, (202) 208-4949 or via email [Curtis.glover@gsa.gov](mailto:Curtis.glover@gsa.gov).

#### A. Purpose

FAR 42.1203 and 42.1204 provide requirements for contractors to request novation/change of name agreements and supporting documents when a firm performing under Government contracts wishes the Government to recognize (1) a successor in interest to these contracts, or (2) a name change, it must submit

certain documentation to the Government.

#### B. Annual Reporting Burden

*Respondents:* 1,000.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 1,000.

*Hours Per Response:* 2.0.

*Total Burden Hours:* 2,000.

*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. 9000-0076, Novation/Change of Name Requirements, in all correspondence.

Dated: May 15, 2012.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0054; Docket 2012-0076; Sequence 3]

#### Federal Acquisition Regulation; Submission for OMB Review; U.S.-Flag Air Carriers Statement

**AGENCY:** 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.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Regulatory Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve a previously approved information collection requirement concerning U.S. Flag Air Carriers Certification. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** at 77 FR 14354, on March 9, 2012. No comments were received.

*Public comments are particularly invited on:* Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (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 June 20, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments identified by Information Collection 9000-0054, U.S. Flag Carriers Certification 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 9000-0054, U.S. Flag Carriers Certification". Follow the instructions provided at the "Submit a Comment" screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "Information Collection 9000-0054, U.S. Flag Carriers Certification" 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 9000-0054, U.S. Flag Carriers Certification.

*Instructions:* Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000-0054, U.S. Flag Carriers Certification, 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:** Mr. Curtis E. Glover, Sr., Procurement Analyst, Contract Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-1448 or via email at [Curtis.glover@gsa.gov](mailto:Curtis.glover@gsa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Purpose

Section 5 of the International Air transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974 (49 U.S.C. 1517) (Fly America Act, implemented FAR 47.4, which requires that all Federal agencies and Government contractors and subcontractors use U.S.-flag air carriers for U.S. Government-financed international air transportation of personnel (and their personal effects) or property, to the extent that service by those carriers is available. It requires the

Comptroller General of the United States, in the absence of satisfactory proof of the necessity for foreign-flag air transportation, to disallow expenditures from funds, appropriated or otherwise established for the account of the United States, for international air transportation secured aboard a foreign-flag air carrier if a U.S.-flag carrier is available to provide such services. In the event that the contractor selects a carrier other than a U.S.-flag air carrier for international air transportation, the contractor shall include per FAR clause 52.247-64, Preference for U.S.-Flag Air Carriers, a statement on vouchers involving such transportation. The contracting officer uses the information furnished in the statement to determine whether adequate justification exists for the contractor's use of other than U.S.-flag air carrier.

#### B. Annual Reporting Burden

*Respondents:* 150.

*Responses per Respondent:* 2.

*Annual Responses:* 300.

*Hours per Response:* .25.

*Total Burden Hours:* 75.

*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. 9000-0054, Submission for OMB Review; U.S.-Flag Air Carriers Certification, in all correspondence.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

**AGENCY:** DoD.

**ACTION:** Renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of 10 U.S.C. 1074g(c), the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b), and 41 CFR 102-3.50(a), the Department of Defense gives notice that it is renewing the charter for the Uniform Formulary Beneficiary Advisory Panel (hereafter referred to as "the Panel").

The Panel is a non-discretionary federal advisory committee that shall provide the Secretary of Defense through the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, and the Director, TRICARE Management Activity, independent advice and recommendations on development of the uniform formulary. The Secretary of Defense shall consider the comments of the Panel before implementing the uniform formulary or implementing changes to the uniform formulary.

The Panel shall report to the Secretary of Defense through the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, and the Director, TRICARE Management Activity. The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness or designated representative, may act upon the Panel's advice and recommendations. The Panel, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1074g(c)(2), shall be comprised of no more than 15 members. The Panel shall include members that represent:

- Non-governmental organizations and associations that represent the views and interests of a large number of eligible covered beneficiaries;
- Contractors responsible for the TRICARE retail pharmacy program;
- Contractors responsible for the national mail-order pharmacy program; and
- TRICARE network providers.

Panel members, who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal officers or employees, shall be appointed to serve as experts and consultants under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 3109 and shall serve as special government employees. All Panel members shall be appointed by the Secretary of Defense and their appointments shall be renewed on an annual basis.

The Panel membership shall select the Panel's Chairperson from the total membership. With the exception of travel and per diem for official Panel related travel, Panel members shall serve without compensation.

The Secretary of Defense may approve the appointment of Panel members for one to four year terms of service; however, no member, unless authorized by the Secretary of Defense, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service. This same term of service limitation also applies to any DoD authorized subcommittees.

Each Panel member is appointed to provide advice on behalf of the government on the basis of his or her best judgment without representing any

particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest.

The Department, when necessary, and consistent with the Panel's mission and DoD policies and procedures, may establish subcommittees to support the Panel. Establishment of subcommittees will be based upon a written determination, to include terms of reference, by the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense or the Panel's sponsor.

Such subcommittees shall not work independently of the chartered Panel, and shall report all their recommendations and advice to the Panel for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Panel; nor can any subcommittee or its members update or report directly to the DoD or any Federal officers or employees.

All subcommittee members shall be appointed in the same manner as the Panel members; that is, the Secretary of Defense shall appoint subcommittee members even if the member in question is already a Panel member. Subcommittee members, with the approval of the Secretary of Defense, may serve a term of service on the subcommittee of one to four years.

Subcommittee members, if not full-time or part-time government employees, shall be appointed to serve as experts and consultants under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 3109, and shall serve as special government employees, whose appointments must be renewed by the Secretary of Defense on an annual basis. With the exception of travel and per diem for official Panel related travel, subcommittee members shall serve without compensation.

All subcommittees operate under the provisions of FACA, the Government in the Sunshine Act, governing Federal statutes and regulations, and governing DoD policies/procedures.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703-692-5952.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Panel shall meet at the call of the Panel's Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Panel's Chairperson. The estimated number of Panel meetings is four per year.

In addition, the Designated Federal Officer is required to be in attendance at all Panel and subcommittee meetings for the entire duration of each and every meeting; however, in the absence of the Designated Federal Officer, a properly approved Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend the entire duration of the Panel or subcommittee meeting.