

within 30 days of publication of this notice to Brian Harris-Kojetin, OMB Desk Officer either by fax (202-395-7245) or e-mail ([bharrisk@omb.eop.gov](mailto:bharrisk@omb.eop.gov)).

Dated: May 23, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13.

*Bureau:* International Trade Administration (ITA).

*Title:* Advocacy Comment Card.

*Agency Form Number:* None.

*OMB Number:* 0625-0251.

*Type of Request:* Regular submission.

*Burden:* 54 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 650.

*Average Hours Per Response:* 5 minutes.

*Needs and Uses:* The International Trade Administration's U.S. Commercial Service (USCS) is mandated by Congress to help U.S. businesses, particularly small- and medium-sized companies, export their products and services to global markets. As part of its mission, the USCS uses "Comment Cards" to collect feedback from the U.S. business clients it serves. The surveys request the client to evaluate the USCS on its customer service provision. The results from the surveys are used to make improvements to the agency's business processes in order to provide better and more effective export assistance to U.S. companies. The purpose of the survey is to collect feedback from U.S. businesses that receive advocacy services from the USCS. In providing these services, the USCS advocates on behalf of a U.S. company that is bidding on a project or government contract, attempting to recover payment or goods, or facing a barrier to market entry.

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

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondents Obligation:* Voluntary.

*OMB Desk Officer:* David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental

Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 or via the Internet at [dHynek@doc.gov](mailto:dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of this publication to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, via the Internet [David\\_Rostker@omb.eop.gov](mailto:David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov) or Fax (202) 395-7285.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Census Bureau

### Survey of Industrial Research and Development

**ACTION:** Proposed information collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before July 30, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [dHynek@doc.gov](mailto:dHynek@doc.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Julius Smith, Jr., Census Bureau, Room 7K145, Washington, DC 20233-6900, 301-763-4683 (or via the Internet at [julius.smith.jr@census.gov](mailto:julius.smith.jr@census.gov)) and Raymond M. Wolfe, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 965, Arlington, VA 22230, 703-292-7789 (or via the Internet at [rwolfe@nsf.gov](mailto:rwolfe@nsf.gov)).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Abstract

The U.S. Census Bureau plans to extend the current OMB clearance for

the Survey of Industrial Research and Development (R&D). The survey has been conducted annually since 1953. The information collection involves the estimation of the expenditures on research and development performed within the United States by industrial firms.

Industry accounts for over 70 percent of total U.S. R&D each year and since its inception, the survey has provided continuity of statistics on R&D expenditures by major industry groups and by source of funds. The survey is the industrial component of the National Science Foundation (NSF) statistical program that seeks " \* \* \* to provide a central clearinghouse for the collection, interpretation, and analysis of data on scientific and engineering resources and to provide a source of information for policy formulation by other agencies of the Federal government, as mandated in the National Science Foundation Act of 1950." Statistics from the survey will be released by the Census Bureau and published in NSF's annual publication series Research and Development in Industry. The proposed collection will continue the survey for three years.

#### II. Method of Collection

The Census Bureau will use mail out/mail back survey forms to collect the data and will also offer an electronic version of the form via the Internet. Companies will be asked to respond within 30 days (RD-1A) or 60 days (RD-1) of initial mailing. This due date will be imprinted at the top of the form. Letters encouraging participation will be mailed to companies that have not responded by the designated time.

#### III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0607-0912.

*Form Number:* RD-1 (long form); RD-1A (abbreviated form).

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

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

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* RD-1, 3,600; and RD-1A, 28,500.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* RD-1—8 hours; RD-1A—1 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 57,300.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$1,056,039.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13, United States Code, Sections 182, 224, and 225.

#### IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including