

## Collection of Information

*Title:* Community Rating System (CRS) Program—Application Worksheets and Commentary.

*Type of Information Collection:* Extension, without change, of a currently approved information collection.

*OMB Number:* 1660–0022.

*FEMA Forms:* FEMA Form 086–0–35, Community Rating System Application Letter and Quick Check; FEMA Form 086–0–35A, Community Annual Recertifications, and FEMA Form 086–0–35B, Environmental and Historic Preservation Certifications.

*Abstract:* The CRS Application Letter & Quick Check, the CRS certification forms, and accompanying guidance are used by communities that participate in the National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS). The CRS is a voluntary program where flood insurance costs are reduced in communities that implement practices, such as building codes and public awareness activities, which are considered to reduce the risks of flooding and promote the purchase of flood insurance.

*Affected Public:* State, local, or Tribal government.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,579.

*Number of Responses:* 1,579.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden*

*Hours:* 41,936 hours.

*Estimated Cost:* The estimated annual cost to respondents for the hour burden is \$2,442,795.30. There are no annual costs to respondents' operations and maintenance costs for technical services. There are no annual start-up or capital costs. The cost to the Federal Government is \$5,425,600.00.

## Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** caption above. Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Dated: September 22, 2016.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Request To Submit Invoices for Over-Age Firm-Fixed-Price Contracts

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) currently has contracts that are considered over-age, as the period of performance or final delivery date of these actions has expired and the time allowed for contract file closeout has elapsed. To clear the backlog of over-age contracts, DHS developed procedures that would enable the Agency to closeout these elapsed actions in an efficient and cost effective manner. These procedures required the Agency to identify those expired contracts that could more easily be closed-out based on certain criteria that would deem them low-risk, such as firm-fixed-price contracts containing no outstanding issues and no invoice or payment activity within the past year. These contracts are listed at <https://dhs.gov/publication/low-risk-closeout>. To facilitate the closeout of these actions, DHS requests that contractors with contracts identified on this list submit any outstanding invoices to the cognizant DHS Component contracting activities within 60 days after the publication of this notice.

**DATES:** For the contract actions listed at <https://dhs.gov/publication/low-risk-closeout>, submit all outstanding invoices to the cognizant DHS Component contracting activities on or before December 2, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Go to <https://dhs.gov/publication/low-risk-closeout> for guidance on where to submit invoices.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eric Cho, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Department of Homeland Security, 245 Murray Lane SW., Building 410, Washington, DC 20528, telephone: 202–447–0271; email: [Eric.Cho@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:Eric.Cho@hq.dhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DHS's contract closeout backlog not only poses a significant burden to various acquisition and financial systems, but it also impedes DHS's on-going efforts to strengthen and modernize its financial

management practices. The procedures DHS developed to significantly reduce the number of expired contracts with unliquidated funds will enable DHS to expeditiously close these actions. DHS developed the procedures using risk-based management principles by first identifying and classifying open, expired contracts as low-risk based on the following criteria: (i) The contract is firm-fixed-price; (ii) the contract expired and the additional time allowed for contract file closeout under Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 4.804–1(a) has elapsed; and (iii) the contract had no invoice or payment activity within the past 12 months.

Notwithstanding DHS's intention to expeditiously closeout the actions identified at the aforementioned list, contractors' rights are protected under 41 U.S.C. chapter 71 Contract Disputes (commonly known as the Contract Disputes Act of 1978), which establishes procedures for filing claims against Federal Government contracts. Normal contract file retention requirements will apply after closeouts (See FAR 4.805, Storage, handling, and disposal of contract files.) This notice will also be published to FedBizOpps.

Dated: September 8, 2016.

**Soraya Correa,**

*Chief Procurement Officer.*

**Chip Fulghum,**

*Deputy Under Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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### 60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Utility Allowance Adjustments for Rental Assistance

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* December 2, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding