## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

## Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DoD-2006-HA-0170]

# Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by January 16, 2007.

Title, Form and OMB Number: Third Party Collection Program/Medical Services Account/Other Health Insurance; DD Form 2569; OMB Number 0704–0323.

Type of Request: Extension.
Number of Respondents: 2,807,212.
Responses Per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 2,807,212.
Average Burden Per Response: 3
minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 140.361. Needs and Uses: The information contained in the DD Form 2569 will be used to collect reimbursement from healthcare insurers for medical care provided to dependents of Active Duty members, military retirees and their dependents, and civilians who present at a Military Treatment Facility (MTF) on an emergency basis, and anyone else who is otherwise eligible for care at the MTF. Such monetary benefits accruing to the MTF will be used to enhance healthcare delivery in the MTF. Information will also be used by MTF staff and CHAMPUS Fiscal Intermediaries to determine eligibility for care, deductibles, and co-payments and by Health Affairs for program planning and management.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion and annually. Respondent's Obligation: Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. John Kraemer. Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Kraemer at the Office of Management and Budget, DoD Health Desk Officer, Room 10102, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

You may also submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by the following method:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DoD Clearance Officer: Ms. Patricia Toppings.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Toppings at WHS/ESD/Information Management Division, 1777 North Kent Street, RPN, Suite 11000, Arlington, VA 22209–2133.

Dated: December 8, 2006.

## Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 06–9720 Filed 12–14–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 5001–06-M

## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

#### Department of the Air Force

[No. USAF-2006-0014]

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Title, Form, and OMB Number: Non-Prior Service and Prior Service Accessions; AETC Forms 1319, 1325, and 1419; OMB Number 0701–0079.

Type of Request: Extension. Number of Respondents: 110,231. Responses Per Respondent: 1. Annual Responses: 110,231. Average Burden Per Response: 38

minutes average.

Annual Burden Hours: 69,105.

Needs and Uses: This information
collection is necessary for recruiters to
determine applicant qualifications when
conducting an interview. Information
from the interview will determine if
additional documents on law violations,
citizenship verification, and education
are needed. Applicants who have
reached a certain age, marital status, or
classification are required to submit
financial information. Additionally, the

AETC 1419 is used to collect police reports, law violation disposition reports, and court documents used to determine an applicant's moral qualification.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Hillary Jaffe. Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Jaffe at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building,

You may also submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by the following method:

Washington, DC 20503.

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

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Dated: December 8, 2006.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

## **Department of the Army**

Mandatory Provision of Full Replacement Value Coverage by Department of Defense Personal Property Transportation Service Providers (TSPs)/Contractors

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, DOD. **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Chapter 157, § 2636a of Title 10 United States Code enacted by Congress on November 26, 2003, as amended by the Department of

Defense Authorizations Act for FY 2007, the Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC), as the Traffic Manager for Department of Defense (DOD) Personal Property Program, is informing the Transportation Service Provider (TSP)/ contractor community of the mandatory requirement to provide Full Replacement Value (FRV) coverage to all customers of the DOD Personal Property Program. The cost of FRV shall be included in contracts with movers and FRV shall be made available to Service members and civilian employees.

All shipments that have been picked up or are already in storage prior to the effective dates noted below will not be required to be covered by FRV. This notice affords TSPs/contractors ample time to incorporate the cost of providing FRV for loss/damage protection into their rates.

**DATES:** Effective Dates: There are two scenarios for the implementation of Families First and the cost of the new program to include FRV.

1. The Defense Personal Property System (DPS) has a notional implementation timeline that may partially implement the new Families First (FF) program to include FRV in May 2007 to some customers moving under the DoD Personal Property Program for shipments in the dHHG, iHHG and iUB markets (excluding NTS, DPM and ITT). FF/FRV should be fully implemented to the remaining customers under this notional timeline by November 2007. This schedule is dependent upon successful Software Acceptance Testing (SAT). If SAT is successful, rate filing to support this timeline will occur during March 2007 for all TSPs. If SAT is not successful, and DPS is not implemented under this notional timeline, FRV will be implemented to all DOD customers as indicated in the "effective dates" below. It is necessary for all TSPs to file rates under the current program in the event DPS is not implemented as planned.

2. Current Program Implementation: The cost for FRV coverage shall be included in all rates for the International Household Goods (iHHG) program, the Unaccompanied Baggage (UB) program, the Domestic Household Goods (dHHG) program, Intra-Theater Tender (ITT) program, Non-Temporary Storage (NTS) program, and the Direct Procurement Method (DPM) program according to the following schedule:

For the international household goods (iHHG) program and unaccompanied baggage (UB), rates filed for the International Winter 2007 (IW07) rate

cycle shall include the cost of providing FRV coverage for all shipments picked up on or after October 1, 2007.

For the domestic household goods (dHHG) program, all rates filed for the Domestic Winter 2007 (DW07) rate cycle shall include the cost of providing FRV coverage for all shipments picked up on or after November 1, 2007.

For the Intra-Theater Tender (ITT) program all rates effective on or after April 1, 2008 shall include FRV coverage.

For the Non-Temporary Storage (NTS) program, shipments ordered with a date on or after March 1, 2008 shall include FRV coverage. New rates that include the cost of providing FRV must be postmarked between December 16, 2007 and January 15, 2008.

All DPM contracts will be amended to require the provision of FRV. Contracts having one or more years remaining on March 1, 2008 will be modified to include the provision of FRV at the stated limits. Contracts which are due to expire within one year of March 1, 2008 will not be amended to require FRV. The follow-on contracts will include the provision of FRV at the stated limits.

ADDRESSES: Requests for additional information may be sent by e-mail to: FRVComments@sddc.army.mil; or by courier to: Military Surface Deployment Distribution Command, ATTN: SDDC-PPP, Room 10S67–31, Hoffman Building II, 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA 22332–5000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Charles Helfrich, (703) 428–2996.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FRV coverage shall be provided at the following limits: If a claim is filed directly with the TSP/contractor within none (9) months of delivery, then the TSP's/contractor's maximum liability on each HHG and UB shipment will be the greater of: (1) \$5,000 per shipment; or (2) \$4 times either the net weight of the HHG or \$4 times the gross weight of the UB, in pounds, not to exceed \$50,000. Certificate of Cargo Liability Insurance/ Certificate of Warehousemen's Liability Insurance must also reflect the new FRV limits. The TSP/contractor must report settled claims information to SDDC within seven calendar days of claims settled.

Implementing guidelines and procedures covering liability for loss/damage along with the claims process can be found on SDDC's Web site: http://www.sddc.army.mil (HOT ITEMS/Full Replacement Value).

# **Background**

Chapter 157, Title 10 U.S. Code § 2636a, also known as The Full Replacement Value Act of 2003, was passed on November 26, 2003. This law amended (in part) chapter 157 of title 10 by inserting after section 2636 a new section 2636a entitled, "Loss or damage to personal property transported at Government expense: Full replacement value; deduction from amounts due TSPs." This law allows the Secretary of Defense to include a clause for full replacement value in contracts with TSPs. It also allows a deduction of the FRV from the amount due to a carrier if the carrier fails to settle.

The FRV Act allowed for immediate inclusion of FRV into the Personal Property Program, but SDDC decided to delay FRV to coincide with the rollout of the reengineered future Personal Property Program known as Families First. Current uncertainty surrounding the actual roll-out date of Families First and the Defense Personal Property System (DPS) has caused Congress and SDDC to decide to implement FRV into the current Personal Property Program.

In June 2006 the Senate Arms Services Committee published the following recommendation:

"Subtitle C—Travel and Transportation Allowances

Expansion of payment of replacement value of personal property damaged during transport at Government expense (sec. 631)

The committee recommends a provision that would amend section 2636a of title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense, no later than March 1, 2008, to include in contracts for the transportation of baggage and household effects for military members and civilian employees a clause requiring the carrier to pay the full replacement value for loss or damage. The provision would also require certain certifications by the Secretary about, and a review and assessment by the General Accountability Office on December 1, 2006, and June 1, 2007, of the "Families First" program.

The committee believes that the time is past due for implementing the contractual authority requested by the Department in 2003 and included in section 634 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004 (Pub. L. 108–136). Military personnel and their families have waited long enough for realization for the Families First promise of full replacement value for household goods lost and damaged by movers in connection with permanent changes of station.

The committee has concluded that implementation of the full replacement standard for both military members and civilian employees by means of contractual changes with TSPs must precede implementation of the Defense Personal Property System (DPS) under the Families First program."

Regulation Flexibility Act

This action is not considered rulemaking within the meaning of Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601–612.

Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3051 *et seq.*, does not apply because no information collection or record keeping requirements are imposed on contractors, offerors or members of the public.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Intent To Prepare a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) for the Nourishment of 25,000 ft of Beach in Topsail Beach, Onslow County, NC

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE), Wilmington District, Wilmington Regulatory Field Office has received a request for Department of the Army authorization, pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, from the Town of Topsail Beach to conduct an emergency beach fill project to protect ocean front development and infrastructure until such time that a federally authorized shore protection project can be implemented. At this time, the construction date for the Federal project is uncertain. A Draft General Reevaluation Report— Environmental Impact Statement (GRR-EIS has been prepared by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and was released for public review and comment in June 2006 (USACE, 2006). Given the current status of the GRR-EIS and the need for Congressional authorization, funding, preparation of plans and specifications, and right-of-way acquisition, the Federal project may not be implemented until Fiscal Year 2010, or possibly later.

**DATES:** A public scoping meeting for the DSEIS will be held at Topsail Beach Assembly Building, located on Channel Boulevard in Topsail Beach, on January 15, 2007 at 6 p.m. Written comments will be received until January 31, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Copies of comments and questions regarding scoping of the DSEIS may be addressed to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Wilmington District, Regulatory Division. ATTN: File Number SAW–2006–40848–071, Post Office Box 1890, Wilmington, NC 28402–1890.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the proposed action and DSEIS can be directed to Mr. Dave Timpy, Wilmington Regulatory Field Office, telephone: (910) 251–4634.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 1. Project Description. The fill placement area will occur between the Topsail Beach/Surf City limit to Godwin Avenue on the ocean beach. The project design will remain consistent with the Federal design and will involve a dune and berm system to be constructed to a height of 15 feet NGVD with a 7 foot NGVD berm height. An optimum berm width of 50 feet is proposed. An offshore sand source area located about 1 mile east of Lea-Hutaff Island is currently being investigated for sediment compatibility with the native beach. The proposed construction timeframe for the emergency beach fill activities will occur in late calendar year 2007 or early calendar year 2008.

Beach Fill Surveys & Design. Typical cross-sections of the beach along the Topsail Beach project area will be surveyed. Nearshore profiles will extend seaward of the monuments to a point equal to or greater than 50 feet seaward of the construction toe of fill. The total volume of beach fill to be placed in front of the existing development and infrastructure will be based on an evaluation of erosion of the project area from 2002 through the expected construction of the Federal project.

Geotechnical Investigations. The offshores and search investigations include approximately two square miles (1,220 acres) of seabed. Offshore investigations include bathymetric surveys, sidescan sonar surveys, seismic and cultural resource surveys, as well as vibracore collection and analysis. The results of the offshore investigations coupled with the compatibility of the sand resource area and native beach sand will be assessed to define the borrow area.

Environmental Resource Coordination & Permitting. The GRR–EIS prepared by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers prepared an Environmental Impact

Statement (EIS) for the larger Federal Shore protection project. The interim (emergency) beach fill project will be subject to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA).

Preliminary coordination with the USACE-Wilmington District resulted in a determination that a Department of the Army Application for an Individual Permit will be needed for project compliance with Sections 10 and 404. Similarly, coordination with the North Carolina Division of Coastal Management determined that the project would require a State EIS developed in accordance with SEPA; as well as a Major Permit under the Coastal Area Management Act.

- 2. Proposed Action. The scope of activities for the proposed emergency beach fill project includes: (1) Vibracores in the identified borrow area, (b) side scan sonar surveys of the ocean bottom, (c) in-water investigations of potential near shore hard bottom resources identified by the side scan sonar survey, and (d) beach profile surveys. Offshore investigations include bathymetric surveys, sidescan sonar surveys, seismic and cultural resource surveys, as well as vibracore collection and analysis. The results of the offshore investigations coupled with the compatibility of the sand resource area and native beach sand will be assessed to define the borrow area.
- 3. Issues. There are several potential environmental issues that will be addressed in the DSEIS. Additional issues may be identified during the scoping process. Issues initially identified as potentially significant include:
- a. Potential impact to marine biological resources (organisms, passageway for fish and other marine life) and Essential Fish Habitat, particularly Hard Bottoms.
- b. Potential impact to threatened and endangered marine mammals, birds, fish, and plants.
  - c. Potential impacts to water quality.
- d. Potential increase in erosion rates to adjacent beaches.
- e. Potential impacts to navigation, commercial and recreational.
- f. Potential impacts to private and public property.
- g. Potential impacts on public health and safety.
- h. Potential impacts to recreational and commercial fishing.
- i. The compatibility of the material for nourishment.
  - j. Potential economic impacts.
- 4. *Alternatives*. Several alternatives are being considered for the proposed