less, the maximum allowable fixed rate may be increased by two percentage points.

The maximum allowable fixed rates will be posted monthly on SBA's Web site at http://www.sba.gov/aboutsba/sbaprograms/elending on the second business day of the month, in the afternoon. SBA will review the newspaper on the second business day of the month to determine the SBA LIBOR Base Rate and the LIBOR swap rates in effect on the first business day of the month and will use those rates in the calculation.

The new maximum allowable fixed rates identified in this Notice will be available for 7(a) loan applications (other than SBA Express and Export Express) received by SBA on or after October 1, 2009.

Questions on the maximum allowable fixed rates may be directed to the Lender Relations Specialist in the local SBA district office. The local SBA district office may be found at http://www.sba.gov/localresources.

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 636(a)(4)(A) and 13 CFR 20.213.

#### Richard C. Blewett,

Acting Director, Office of Financial Assistance.

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### **SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

# Small Business Information Security Task Force; Request for Nominations

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

**ACTION:** Request for nominations.

SUMMARY: On May 22, 2009, Public Law 111–24 was signed by the President establishing, among other things, a Small Business Information Security Task Force. This task force was established to address the information technology security needs of small businesses and to help small businesses prevent the loss of credit card data. SBA is now requesting nominations for members of this task force.

**DATES:** Submit nominations on or before 5 p.m. EST October 16, 2009 per the instructions below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this request for nominations may contact Jack Bienko, via telephone (202) 205–6052, fax (202) 481–2636, e-mail john.bienko@sba.gov or mail U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** SBA is requesting nominations for the Small Business Information Security Task Force. SBA encourages all qualified candidates to apply. Candidates may self-nominate or be nominated by another source.

#### **Function of the Task Force**

This task force was established by section 507 of Public Law 111–24 to assess the information security needs of small business concerns, including the programs and services currently available, and make recommendations to SBA as to new programs and services which will help small businesses address those concerns. Specifically, the task force shall:

- 1. Identify the information technology security needs of small business concerns,
- 2. Identify and assess the programs and services provided by Federal and State governments and non-government organizations which serve the information technology security needs of small business concerns,
- 3. Make recommendations to SBA on how to more effectively serve small business information technology security needs through the creation of new Federal programs and services, small business education and training, or more effective marketing of existing programs,
- 4. Make recommendations on how SBA can better inform and educate small businesses on information technology security concerns, including use of the Internet,
- 5. Assess and recommend whether a permanent advisory board should be created
- 6. Provide SBA with a comprehensive list of Internet sites containing appropriate and relevant information on small business information technology security needs of which SBA should link and
- 7. Prepare a final report with recommendations for SBA, which will be submitted to Congress.

## Qualifications

From the nominations received, the SBA Administrator will appoint a Chair and Vice Chair of the task force. The Administrator will then work with the Chair to appoint up to 13 additional members; at least one from each of the following categories who will serve as representatives of their respective constituency:

- 1. Subject matter experts,
- 2. Users of information technology within small business concerns,

- 3. Vendors of information technologies for small business concerns,
- 4. Academics with expertise in the use of information technologies to support business,
  - 5. Small business trade associations,
- 6. Federal, state or local agencies engaged in securing cyberspace, and
- 7. Information technology training providers with expertise on the use of information technologies to support business.

## Meetings

The entire task force will meet at least twice per year in Washington DC. Other meetings may occur via conference call.

#### Status

All members will be considered representatives and will not be paid for participation however the Agency will pay travel and per diem expenses while members are attending required meetings in Washington, DC.

## **Expectations**

All task force members are expected to fully participate in the task force and come to the twice-yearly meetings in Washington DC.

# What To Send

- 1. Letter of Nomination: nominees should send a letter of self-nomination or a letter of nomination from a peer or professional organization or society. This letter must indicate which category the nominee fulfills and highlight accomplishments, including studies, publications and professional accomplishments related to small business information technology security issues.
  - 2. Current resume.
- 3. Biographical sketch (optional) no more than two pages listing areas of expertise related to information technology security and small business, research activities, service on other Federal advisory committees and professional organizations.
- 4. Nomination Form: Nominees must complete and sign SBA Form 898 (available at http://www.sba.gov/nac).

All nominees are subject to a conflict of interest determination by SBA and will not be considered eligible until such determination is made.

Nominations must be sent to Jack Bienko at the above information. E-mail and fax are preferred methods of submission.

Dated: September 25, 2009.

#### Penny Pickett,

Associate Administrator for Entrepreneurial Development.

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# Proposed Extension of Existing Collection; Comment Request

Upon written request, copies available from: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549–0123.

Extension: Rule 17a–25, OMB Control No. 3235–0540, SEC File No. 270–482.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in the following rule: Rule 17a–25 (17 CFR 240.17a–25) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a et seq.) ("Exchange Act").

Paragraph (a)(1) of Rule 17a–25 requires registered broker-dealers to electronically submit securities transaction information, including identifiers for prime brokerage arrangements, average price accounts, and depository institutions, in a standardized format when requested by the Commission staff. In addition, paragraph (a)(3)(c) of Rule 17a-25 requires broker-dealers to submit, and keep current, contact person information for electronic blue sheet ("EBS") requests. The Commission uses the information for enforcement inquiries or investigations and trading reconstructions, as well as for inspections and examinations.

The Commission estimates that it sends approximately 5168 electronic blue sheet requests per year to clearing broker-dealers, who in turn submit an average 79,992 responses. It is estimated that each broker-dealer who responds electronically will take 8 minutes, and each broker-dealer who responds manually will take 1½ hours to prepare and submit the securities

trading data requested by the Commission. The annual aggregate hour burden for electronic and manual response firms is estimated to be 10,786  $(79,992 \times 8 \div 60 = 10,666 \text{ hours}) + (80)$  $\times$  1.5 = 120 hours), respectively.<sup>2</sup> In addition, the Commission estimates that it will request 500 broker-dealers to supply the contact information identified in Rule 17a-25(c) and estimates the total aggregate burden hours to be 125. Thus, the annual aggregate burden for all respondents to the collection of information requirements of Rule 17a-25 is estimated at 10,911 hours (10,786 +

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected: and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Comments should be directed to Charles Boucher, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, Virginia 22312 or send an e-mail to: PRA Mailbox@sec.gov.

September 23, 2009.

## Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice 6774]

Bureau of Political-Military Affairs: Directorate of Defense Trade Controls; Notifications to the Congress of Proposed Commercial Export Licenses

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Department of State has forwarded the attached Notifications of Proposed

Export Licenses to the Congress on the dates indicated on the attachments pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) and in compliance with section 36(f) of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2776).

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* As shown on each of the 16 letters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert S. Kovac, Managing Director, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State (202) 663–2861.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 36(f) of the Arms Export Control Act mandates that notifications to the Congress pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) must be published in the **Federal Register** when they are transmitted to Congress or as soon thereafter as practicable.

August 6, 2009 (Transmittal No. DDTC 020–09.)

Hon. Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Dear Madam Speaker: Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed technical assistance agreement to include the export of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the transfer of technical data, defense services, and hardware to support the Proton launch of the NSS–14 Commercial Communication Satellite from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

Richard R. Verma,

Assistant Secretary Legislative Affairs. August 6, 2009 (Transmittal No. DDTC 050-

Hon. Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Dear Madam Speaker: Pursuant to Section 3(d) (5) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed transfer of technical data, defense services, and defense articles in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the sale of seven (7) C–27J Spartan Aircraft from Alenia Aeronautica S.p.A. to the Government of Romania. The transfer will include U.S. origin content, technical data, spare parts, and ground support equipment.

The United States Government is prepared to license the transfer of these items having

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A single EBS request has a unique number assigned to each request (e.g., "0900001"). However, the number of broker-dealer responses generated from one EBS request can range from one to several hundred. EBS requests are sent directly to clearing firms, as the clearing firm is the repository for trading data for securities transactions information provided by itself and correspondent firms. Clearing brokers respond for themselves and other firms they clear for.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Few of respondents submit manual EBS responses. The small percentage of respondents that submit manual responses do so by hand, via e-mail, spreadsheet, disk, or other electronic media. Thus, the number of manual submissions (80) has minimal effect on the total annual burden hours.