

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0144).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning payment by electronic fund transfer. A request for public comments was published in the **Federal Register** at 67 FR 20744 on April 26, 2002. No comments were received.

DATES: Submit comments on or before August 12, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden should be submitted to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat, 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeremy F. Olson, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The FAR requires certain information to be provided by contractors which would enable the Government to make payments under the contract by electronic fund transfer (EFT). The information necessary to make the EFT transaction is specified in clause 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Fund Transfer-Central Contractor Registration, which the contractor is required to provide prior to award, and clause 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Fund Transfer-Other Than Central Contractor Registration, which requires EFT information to be provided as specified by the agency to enable payment by EFT.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 14,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 10.

Annual Responses: 140,000.

Hours Per Response: .5.

Total Burden Hours: 70,000.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals:

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), Room 4035, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0144, Payment by Electronic Fund Transfer, in all correspondence.

Dated: July 8, 2002.

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Acting Director, Acquisition Policy Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Treatment of Proprietary Data

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Director of Defense Procurement is sponsoring a public meeting to discuss the treatment of proprietary data during all phases of DoD procurements. A background paper to be discussed at the public meeting is available on the Defense Procurement Internet home page at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/>. If necessary to ensure that all the views of the interested parties have been heard, subsequent public meetings may be held concerning this issue. The dates and times of any subsequent meetings will be published after the initial meeting, on the Defense Procurement Internet home page at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/>.

DATES: The first meeting will be held on July 26, 2002, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., with an hour break for lunch at 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room C-43, Crystal Mall, Building 4, 1941 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. William H. Anderson, Chair, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council Committee on Patents, Data, and Copyrights, by telephone at (703) 588-5090, by fax at (703) 588-8037, or by e-mail at William.Anderson@pentagon.af.mil.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 12, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Karen Lee, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address Karen_F._Lee@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) title; (3) summary of the collection; (4) description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) reporting and/or recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: July 8, 2002.

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Office of Educational Research and Improvement

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: NCES Quick Response Information System.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs; Not-for-profit institutions; Individuals or household; Businesses or other for-profit.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 10,518.

Burden Hours: 7,889.

Abstract: The Quick Response Information System (QRIS) is comprised