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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 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Coastal Zone Management Act External Evaluation.

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Number of Respondents: 78.

Average Hours per Response: Two hours.

Burden Hours: 156.

Needs and Uses: This information collection is an external evaluation of how the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA's) Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM) is operating and managing coastal management and estuarine research reserve programs under the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), particularly in terms of how the OCRM plans, measures, reviews and directs funding for these programs to achieve the objectives of the CZMA. The contractor shall examine the extent to which planning and performance-based management processes have changed in the past five to six years and make recommendations to the appropriate officials of NOAA, the National Ocean Service (NOS), and the OCRM about how the programs can further improve their planning, budgeting, and performance measurement processes to weigh priorities and assign resources based on the clearest needs. The contractor shall also make recommendations, if appropriate, for improving the programs' evaluation and

funding guidance and mechanisms to enhance its capacity for demonstrate program outcomes and results, as well as improving linkages between the component programs.

Affected Public: State, local and tribal governments; not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: One-time.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

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

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 7845, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: November 30, 2009.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; State Broadband Data and Development Grant Program

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (DOC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on continuing and proposed information collection, 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 February 1, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 7845, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington,

DC 20230 (or via e-mail to 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 Anne Neville, National Broadband Mapping Program Director, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), Room 4898, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC 20230 (or via e-mail to aneville@ntia.doc.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The purpose of the State Broadband Data and Development (SBDD) Grant Program is to implement the joint goals of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and the Broadband Data Improvement Act by assisting, through grants, states or their designees in gathering and verifying state-specific data on the availability, speed, location, technology and infrastructure of broadband services. The data will be used to develop publicly available state-wide broadband maps and to help populate the comprehensive and searchable national broadband map that NTIA is required under the Recovery Act to create and make publicly available by February 17, 2011.

Despite the importance of broadband to the U.S. economy, information about broadband availability is currently lacking. The data collected will provide critical information for grant-making, regulatory and policy-making efforts, improve the quality of State-level broadband information, and help ensure map accuracy. The national broadband map will improve market efficiency by providing important information to consumers about broadband consumption options and will enable investors to make better strategic choices about network expansion. The national broadband map will also directly aid in the development of a faster, more extensive broadband infrastructure to reach a greater number of Americans, particularly in unserved and underserved areas.

On July 8, 2009, NTIA issued the Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) and Solicitation of Applications setting forth the requirements for the SBDD Grant Program (See 74 FR 32545, July 8,

2009). On August 12, 2009, NTIA issued a clarification of the information collection requirements in the NOFA (See 74 FR 40569, Aug. 12, 2009). On September 10, 2009, NTIA issued an additional clarification announcing that NTIA will initially fund mapping and data collection efforts for two years to enable the agency to assess lessons learned, determine best practices, and investigate opportunities for improved data collection prior to obligating funding for subsequent years (See 74 FR 46573, Sept. 10, 2009). Applications for the grant program were received until August 14, 2009 and NTIA received applications representing all 50 States, 5 territories, and the District of Columbia.

Each applicant for program funding submitted an application, on standard OMB-approved forms, proposing data collection through five years and providing five-year budgets. Applicants provided comprehensive descriptions of their plans to obtain and verify required data from all commercial or public providers in their respective states. Data collection and verification methods may vary between applicants and may include online and on-the-ground surveys of providers and the public, Web-enabled data searches, statistical modeling, drive testing of spectrum use and crowd-sourced data reporting. Data must be collected at least semiannually and initial data collection is due on February 1, 2010. On October 5, 2009, NTIA announced that it awarded the first four grants under the SBDD program to fund data collection in California, Indiana, North Carolina, and Vermont.

II. Method of Collection

All reports from awardees will be submitted via the Internet (to allow for efficient posting on the NTIA Web site and public accessibility).

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0660-0032.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Respondents include state, territory and the District of Columbia or their designees.

Subrespondents include facilities-based providers of broadband connections, incumbent and competitive local exchange carriers (LECs), facilities-based mobile telephony service providers, and wireless Internet service providers (WISPs).

Estimated Number of Total

Respondents: 56 respondents and 2,000 subrespondents.

Estimated Time Per Response: 3,120 hours for respondents and 50 hours for subrespondents.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 549,440.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Public: \$0.

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 whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) 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, e.g., the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the information collection. Comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 30, 2009.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Hunter College/CUNY et al.; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Electron Microscopes

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, as amended by Pub. L. 106-36; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. in Room 3705, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue., NW., Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 09-055. *Applicant:* Hunter College/CUNY, New York, NY 10065. *Instrument:* Electron Microscope. *Manufacturer:* JEOL Ltd., Japan. *Intended Use:* See notice at 74 FR 54959, October 26, 2009.

Docket Number: 09-056. *Applicant:* University of California at Davis, Davis, CA 95616. *Instrument:* Electron Microscope. *Manufacturer:* FEI Company, Czech Republic. *Intended Use:* See notice at 74 FR 54959, October 26, 2009.

Docket Number: 09-057. *Applicant:* Northwestern University, Evanston, IL 60208. *Instrument:* Electron Microscope. *Manufacturer:* JEOL Ltd., Japan. *Intended Use:* See notice at 74 FR 54959, October 26, 2009.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as these instruments are intended to be used, was being manufactured in the United States at the time the instruments were ordered. *Reasons:* Each foreign instrument is an electron microscope and is intended for research or scientific educational uses requiring an electron microscope. We know of no electron microscope, or any other instrument suited to these purposes, which was being manufactured in the United States at the time of order of each instrument.

Dated: November 25, 2009.

Christopher Cassel,

Director, Subsidies Enforcement Office, Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-475-818]

Pasta From Italy: Extension of Time Limits for the Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Victoria Cho at (202) 482-5075, AD/CVD Operations, Office 3, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Background

On August 26, 2008, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Department) published a notice of initiation of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain pasta from Italy, covering the period July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 73 FR 50308 (August 26, 2008). On August 6, 2009, the Department published the preliminary results of this review. See *Certain Pasta from Italy: Notice of Preliminary Results of Twelfth Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 74 FR 39285 (August 6, 2009).