

2000 (and, as appropriate, Delegation of Authority No. 257–1 of December 11, 2015). I have ordered that Public Notice of these determinations be published in the **Federal Register**.

**Alyson Grunder,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 10271]

### Biennial Review Under the United States-Singapore Memorandum of Intent on Environmental Cooperation

**ACTION:** Notice of a biennial review under the United States-Singapore Memorandum of Intent on Environmental Cooperation, and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of State is providing notice that the United States and Singapore intend to hold a biennial review under the Memorandum of Intent between the United States of America and the Republic of Singapore on Cooperation in Environmental Matters (MOI) on January 19, 2018. The purpose of the meeting is to review the results of environmental cooperation under the MOI guided by the 2016–2017 Plan of Action (POA). The United States and Singapore also expect to approve a new 2018–2019 POA.

The meeting's public session will be held on January 19, 2018, at 5:00 p.m., at the Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources, 40 Scotts Road, #24–00, Level 23, Environment Building, Singapore 228231, Tel: (65) 6731 9000. The U.S. Department of State invites interested organizations and members of the public to attend the public session, and to submit in advance written comments or suggestions regarding implementation of the POA, and any issues that should be discussed at the meeting. If you would like to attend the public session, please notify Tiffany Prather at the email address listed below under the heading **ADDRESSES**. Please include your full name and any organization or group you represent. In preparing comments, submitters are encouraged to refer to:

- 2016–2017 POA, <https://www.state.gov/e/oes/eqt/trade/singapore/246192.htm>

Other useful documents are available at: <https://www.state.gov/e/oes/eqt/trade/singapore/index.htm>.

**DATES:** The public session for the Biennial Review under the MOI will be held on January 19, 2018, at 5:00 p.m., at the Ministry of the Environment and Water Resources, 40 Scotts Road, #24–00, Level 23, Environment Building, Singapore 228231, Tel: (65) 6731 9000. Written comments and suggestions should be submitted no later than noon on January 18, 2018 to facilitate consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and suggestions should be submitted to: Tiffany Prather, Office of Environmental Quality and Transboundary Issues, U.S. Department of State, by electronic mail at [PratherTA@state.gov](mailto:PratherTA@state.gov) with the subject line “United States-Singapore Biennial Review.”

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Tiffany Prather, Telephone (202) 647–4548 or email [PratherTA@state.gov](mailto:PratherTA@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MOI was signed on June 13, 2003. Section 3 of the MOI calls for biennial meetings to review the status of environmental cooperation and update the POA, as appropriate.

**Robert Wing,**

*Acting Director, Office of Environmental Quality and Transboundary Issues, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket Number: DOT–OST–2017–0179]

#### Agency Request for Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection: Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) Mentor Protégé Program

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Transportation (DOT) invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for an information collection. The collection involves two reports in which DOT will use the data to measure program achievement to determine whether the intention of the program to assist small businesses getting the developmental tools required to compete and perform in DOT and federal procurement programs is achieved. In addition, DOT is seeking comments on form OST F 5020.1 (2–12), which we have updated with two additional questions about number of

employees and amount of federal contracts.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted by on or before March 19, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. DOT–OST–2017–0179, through one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 1 (202) 493–2251.
- *Mail or Hand Delivery:* Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Leonardo San Román, Mentor Protégé Program, U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366–1930.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* U.S. DOT Mentor Protégé program.

*OMB Control Number:* 2105–0570

*Forms:* Mentor Protégé program annual report; and Mentor Protégé program evaluation form.

*Type of Review:* Renewal.

*Affected Public:* Prime contractors and small businesses participating in DOT's Mentor Protégé Program.

*Respondents:* Approximately 25.

*Frequency:* One-time.

*Estimated Average Burden per Response:* 1 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 25 hours.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) administers a Mentor-Protégé program that encourages agreements between large and small business prime contractors and eligible small business protégés.

A small business concern includes small disadvantaged businesses, 8(a) firms, women owned businesses, HUBZone small businesses, veteran-owned-businesses and service disabled veteran-owned small businesses. The program is also designed to improve the performance of DOT contractors and subcontractors, foster the establishment of long-term business relationships between small businesses and prime contractors, and increase the overall number of small businesses that receive DOT contract and subcontract awards.

#### Purpose

Mentor Protégé program participants must submit an annual report to