

Pertaining to Foreign Interests" must be submitted to provide certification regarding elements of Foreign Ownership, Control or Influence (FOCI) as stipulated in paragraph 2–302b of the NISPOM.

Affected Public: Business, or profit and non-profit organizations.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 9,107.75.

Number of Respondents: 3,070.

Responses Per Respondent: 2.

Average Burden Per Respondent: 1.5.

Frequency: One time and/or on occasion (e.g. initial facility clearance processing, when the respondent changes: name, organizational structure, moves; or upon request, etc.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Summary of Information Collection: The execution of the DD Form 441, 441–1 and SF 328 is a factor in making a determination as to whether a contractor is eligible to have a facility security clearance. It is also a legal basis for imposing NISP security requirements on eligible contractors. These requirements are necessary in order to preserve and maintain the security of the United States through establishing standards to prevent the improper disclosure of classified information.

Dated: February 24, 2004.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000–0012]

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Information Collection; Termination Settlement Proposal Forms (Standard Forms 1435 through 1440)

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000–0012).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve

an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning termination settlement proposal forms (Standard Forms 1435 through 1440). The clearance currently expires on June 30, 2004.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Submit comments on or before May 3, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jeritta Parnell, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501–4082.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat, 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control Number 9000–0012, Termination Settlement Proposal (SF's 1435 through 1440), in all correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The termination settlement proposal forms (Standard Forms 1435 through 1440) provide a standardized format for listing essential cost and inventory information needed to support the terminated contractor's negotiation position. Submission of the information assures that a contractor will be fairly reimbursed upon settlement of the terminated contract.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 864.

Responses Per Respondent: 2.4.

Total Responses: 2,074.

Hours Per Response: 2.5.

Total Burden Hours: 5,185.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals:

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVA), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501–4755. Please cite OMB Control Number 9000–0012, Termination Settlement Proposal Forms

(SF's 1435 through 1440), in all correspondence.

Dated: February 19, 2004.

Laura Auletta,

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Indian Education; Overview Information; Professional Development; Notice Inviting Applications for New Discretionary Program Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2004

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.299B.

DATES:

Applications Available: March 3, 2004.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: April 5, 2004.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: June 1, 2004.

Eligible Applicants: Eligible applicants for this program are an institution of higher education, including an Indian institution of higher education; a State or local educational agency, in consortium with an institution of higher education; an Indian tribe or organization, in consortium with an institution of higher education; and a Bureau-funded school.

An application from a consortium of eligible entities must meet the requirements of 34 CFR 75.127 through 75.129. The consortium agreement, signed by all parties, must be submitted with the application in order to be considered as a consortium application. Letters of support do not meet the consortium requirements.

In order to be considered an eligible entity, applicants, including institutions of higher education, must be eligible to provide the level and type of degree proposed in the application or must apply in consortium with an institution of higher education that is eligible to grant the target degree.

Applicants that apply as an "Indian organization" must demonstrate in the application how they meet all criteria of this term as defined in 34 CFR 263.3 in order to be considered an eligible Indian organization.

We will reject any application that does not meet these requirements.

Estimated Available Funds:

\$6,791,630.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$300,000 to \$500,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$424,476.