DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DOC) has submitted 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: Bureau of the Census.
Title: 1997 Economic Census Covering the Construction Industry Sector.
Form Number(s): CC-1508, 1608, 1718, 1728, 1738, 1748, 1758, 1768, 1778, 1788, and 1798.
Agency Approval Number: NA
Type of Request: New collection.
Burden: 256,000 hours.
Number of Respondents: 130,000.
Avg Hours Per Response: 2.2 hours.
Needs and Uses: The economic census is the major source of data about the structure and functioning of a large segment of the United States’ economy and features unique industry and geographic detail. It provides essential information for many users, including the government, industry, business and the general public. The Census of Construction (CCI) collects information from contractors of all types of construction—more than 2.3 million establishments classified in the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). The construction industry sector of the economic census comprises establishments primarily engaged in the construction of buildings and other structures, additions, alterations, reconstruction, installation, and maintenance and repairs.

The economic census will produce basis statistics by industry for number of establishments, value of construction work done, payroll, employment, selected costs, depreciated assets, and capital expenditures. It also will yield a variety of subject statistics, including estimates of type of construction work done, kind of business activity and other industry-specific measures. Among the important statistics produced by the CCI are estimates of the value of construction work done during the covered year. The Federal Government uses the information from the economic censuses as an important part of the framework for the national accounts, input-output measures, key economic indexes, and other estimates that serve as the factual basis for economic policy making, planning and administration. State governments rely on the economic censuses for comprehensive economic data on geographical areas in order to make decisions concerning policy making, planning and administration. Finally, industry, business and the general public use data from the economic censuses for economic forecasts, market research, benchmarks for their own sample-based surveys, and business and financial decision making.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit institutions.
Frequency: One time.
Respondent’s Obligation: Mandatory.
OMB Desk Officer: Jerry Coffey, (202) 395–7314.
Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, Acting DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482–3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.
Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent to Jerry Coffey, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.
Dated: August 26, 1996.
Linda Engelmeier,
Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 64–96]

Foreign-Trade Zone 72—Indianapolis, IN: Application for Subzone Status, Fujitsu Ten Corporation of America Plant (Automotive Audio Products and Electronic Components), Rushville, IN

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Indianapolis Airport Authority, grantees of FTZ 72, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the automotive audio products and electronic components manufacturing plant of Fujitsu Ten Corporation of America (FTCA), located in Rushville, Indiana. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on August 19, 1996.

The FTCA plant (95,000 sq.ft. On 32 acres) is located at 616 Conrad Harcourt Way in Rushville (Rush County), Indiana, some 40 miles east of Indianapolis. The plant (354 employees) is used to produce (1) automotive audio products, including electronic tuning