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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 Vehicle Inventory and Use Survey.

Form Number(s): TC-9501, TC-9502, TC-9503, TC-9504.

Agency Approval Number: None.

Type of Request: New collection.

Burden: 103,257 hours in FY 1998.

Number of Respondents: 140,000.

Avg Hours Per Response: 45 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The 1997 Vehicle Inventory and Use Survey (VIUS), a component of the economic census, will survey a sample of private and commercial trucks, automobiles, and buses registered in the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Government vehicles will not be sampled. The VIUS will produce basic statistics on the physical and operational characteristics of the nation's trucks, automobiles, and buses. It also will yield a variety of subject statistics, including vehicles by annual miles, major use, fuel type, miles per gallon, and products carried. The Census Bureau will publish truck estimates at the state and national level, and automobile and bus estimates at the national level. Federal, state, and local transportation agencies will use VIUS data for analysis of safety issues, proposed investments in new roads and technology, vehicle size and weight issues, user fees, cost allocation, energy and environmental constraints, hazardous materials transport, and other aspects of the Federal-aid highway program. Although the 1997 Vehicle Inventory and Use Survey is being submitted as a new collection, similar data are collected every five years as part of the economic census. The 1992 collection was known as the Truck Inventory and Use Survey (TIUS). The VIUS was renamed for this census to reflect a change in the scope of the survey to include two additional modes of transportation—automobiles and

buses. The Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation is contributing funds to sponsor the inclusion of these two types of motor vehicles.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, Businesses or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Farms.

Frequency: One-time.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 USC, Sections 131 and 224.

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 5312, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Jerry Coffey, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

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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 American Community Survey.

Form Number(s): TACS-1/1A, 10/10A, 12(L)/12A(L), 13(L)/13A(L), 14(L)/14A(L), 16(L)/16A(L), 20/20A, 30/30A.

Agency Approval Number: 0607-0810.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 72,325 hours.

Number of Respondents: 144,650.

Avg Hours Per Response: 30 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The Census Bureau is developing a methodology known as "Continuous Measurement" which will produce socioeconomic data on a continual basis throughout the decade for small areas and small subpopulations. The American

Community Survey (ACS), implemented in November 1995, is a continuing full-scale operation of a continuous measurement system in four survey sites (three urban and one rural) designed to determine the feasibility of a continuous measurement system. The survey also includes a national sample to test response rates and our ability to obtain telephone numbers for nonresponse households. The data collected in this survey will be within the general scope and nature of those inquiries covered in the decennial census every ten years. We plan to continue sampling and enumeration in the ACS in 1997 and 1998. We also plan to add testing of procedures for identification, sampling, and data collection for persons living in special situations such as Indian reservations, military bases, and large institutional and noninstitutional group quarters. We will also develop and implement procedures to create listing procedures and a national list of special places. In addition to the present survey sites, we plan to add sites in Douglas County, Nebraska; Otero County, New Mexico; Harris and Fort Bend Counties, Texas; and Franklin County, Ohio, including the entire city of Columbus.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: Monthly.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 USC, Section 182.

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