

DATES: Written comments must be received by the Office of the Secretary not later than April 11, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be captioned "Clothing Textiles and Film, Collection of Information" and mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207, or delivered to that office, room 502, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the proposed extension of the collection of information, or to obtain a copy of 16 CFR Parts 1610 and 1611, call or write Robert E. Frye, Director, Office of Planning and Evaluation, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504-0416, extension 2264.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

Clothing and fabrics intended for use in clothing (except children's sleepwear in sizes 0 through 14) are subject to the Standard for the Flammability of Clothing Textiles (16 CFR Part 1610). Clothing made from vinyl plastic film and vinyl plastic film intended for use in clothing (except children's sleepwear in sizes 0 through 14) are subject to the Standard for the Flammability of Vinyl Plastic Film (16 CFR Part 1611). These standards prescribe a test to assure that articles of wearing apparel, and fabrics and film intended for use in wearing apparel, are not dangerously flammable because of rapid and intense burning. (Children's sleepwear and fabrics and related materials intended for use in children's sleepwear in sizes 0 through 14 are subject to other, more stringent flammability standards, codified at 16 CFR Parts 1615 and 1616.) The flammability standards for clothing textiles and vinyl plastic film were made mandatory by the Flammable Fabrics Act of 1953 (FFA) (Pub. L. 83-88, 67 Stat. 111; June 30, 1953).

Section 8 of the FFA (15 U.S.C. 1197) provides that a person who receives a guaranty in good faith that a product complies with an applicable flammability standard is not subject to criminal prosecution for a violation of the FFA resulting from the sale of any product covered by the guaranty. Section 8 of the FFA requires that a guaranty must be based on "reasonable and representative tests." The Commission estimates that about 1,000 manufacturers and importers of clothing, and of textiles and vinyl film intended for use in clothing, issue guaranties that the products they

produce or import comply with the applicable standard.

B. Testing and Recordkeeping

Regulations implementing the flammability standards for clothing textiles and vinyl plastic film prescribe requirements for testing and recordkeeping by firms that issue guaranties. See 16 CFR Part 1610, Subpart B, and 16 CFR Part 1611, Subpart B.

The Commission uses the information compiled and maintained by firms that issue these guaranties to help protect the public from risks of injury or death associated with clothing and fabrics and vinyl film intended for use in clothing. More specifically, the information helps the Commission arrange corrective actions if any products covered by a guaranty fail to comply with the applicable standard in a manner that creates a substantial risk of injury or death to the public. The Commission also uses this information to determine whether the requisite testing was performed to support the guaranties.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the collection of information in the enforcement regulations implementing the standards for clothing textiles and vinyl plastic film under control number 3041-0024. OMB's most recent extension of approval will expire on May 31, 1997. The Commission proposes to request an extension of approval without change for the collection of information in those regulations.

C. Estimated Burden

The Commission staff estimates that about 1,000 firms which manufacture or import products subject to the flammability standards for clothing textiles and vinyl plastic film issue guaranties that the products they produce or import comply with the applicable standard. The Commission staff estimates that these standards and implementing regulations will impose an average annual burden of about 101.6 hours on each of those firms. That burden will result from conducting the testing and maintaining records required by the implementing regulations. The total annual burden imposed by the standards and regulations on all manufacturers and importers of clothing textiles and vinyl plastic film will be about 101,600 hours.

The hourly wage for the testing and recordkeeping required by the standards and regulations is about \$12, for an estimated annual cost to the industry of \$1,219,200.

The Commission will expend approximately one-half month of

professional staff time reviewing and evaluating the records maintained by manufacturers and importers of wearing apparel, clothing textiles and vinyl film subject to the standards. The annual cost to the Federal government of the collection of information in the sleepwear standards and implementing regulations is estimated to be \$2,800.

D. Request for Comments

The Commission solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed extension of approval of the collection of information in the flammability standards for clothing textiles and vinyl film and the enforcement regulations implementing those standards. The Commission specifically solicits information about the hourly burden and monetary costs imposed by the collection of information on firms subject to this collection of information. The Commission also seeks information relevant to the following topics:

- Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions;
- Whether the information will have practical utility for the Commission;
- Whether the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected could be enhanced; and
- Whether the burden imposed by the collection of information could be minimized by use of automated, electronic or other technological collection techniques, or other form of information technology.

Dated: February 5, 1997.

Sadye E. Dunn,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Program for Qualifying Department of Defense (DOD) Brokers

AGENCY: Military Traffic Management Command, DOD.

ACTION: Notice (Request for Comments).

SUMMARY: The Carrier Qualification Program is being amended to add qualification standards for brokers and to expand the basic Agreement to include brokers. The effect is that brokers will be eligible to qualify to compete in DOD transportation procurements on the same or similar terms as other carriers. A copy of the

Agreement between MTMC and brokers is available upon request.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 11, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to: Headquarters, Military Traffic Management Command, ATTN: MTOP-QQ, Room 630, 5611 Columbia Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-5050.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rick Wirtz, MTOP-QQ, telephone (703) 681-6393.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: MTMC is the agency established within the DOD for the procurement of land transportation services from commercial carriers on behalf of DOD shippers. Historically brokers could not participate in DOD traffic because the broker was an intermediary between the shipper and the carrier, essentially duplicating the mission performed by MTMC of matching the DOD shipper's requirements with a carrier which can accommodate to move. Brokers were not carriers, did not perform transportation, did not assume responsibility for the transportation, and did not publish tariffs or offer Government rate tenders or enter into Government bills of lading (GBLs) or other transportation contracts. Today, in the deregulated transportation environment, brokers can and do conduct carrier operations, perform transportation, and assume responsibility for the transportation, and no reason appears why they may not voluntarily enter into the DOD standard tender/GBL and other transportation contracts arranged by MTMC.

Consequently, MTMC is now proposing to change its policy, in order to offer brokers the opportunity to qualify for participation in DOD transportation procurements, except shipments requiring a Transportation Protective Services (TPS). Under MTMC's new policy, brokers interested in competing for DOD traffic, except TPS shipments, could apply for qualification by executing the basic Agreement, and by complying with requirements for submission of evidence of insurance (public liability and cargo), a list of underlying carriers which the broker intends to use in the movement of DOD shipments, a performance bond, and other standard requirements.

Gregory D. Showalter,
Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.
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Office of the Secretary

Defense Intelligence Agency, Scientific Advisory Board Closed Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Intelligence Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection (d) of Section 10 of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Section 5 of Public Law 94-409, notice is hereby given that a closed meeting of the DIA Scientific Advisory Board has been scheduled as follows:

DATES: February 14, 1997 (800 a.m. to 1600 p.m.).

ADDRESSES: The Defense Intelligence Agency, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C. 20340-5100.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maj. Michael W. Lamb, USAF, Executive Secretary, DIA Scientific Advisory Board, Washington, D.C. 20340-1328 (202) 231-4930.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The entire meeting is devoted to the discussion of classified information as defined in Section 552b(c)(1), Title 5 of the U.S. Code and therefore will be closed to the public. The Board will receive briefings on and discuss several current critical intelligence issues and advise the Director, DIA, on related scientific and technical matters.

Dated: February 5, 1997.

L.M. Bynum,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.
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Department of the Navy

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.
ACTION: Delete record systems.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy proposes to delete systems of records notices in its inventory of records systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended. The amendment consists of changing the system identifier of N01740-2, Family Dependent Care Program, last published on October 17, 1996, at 61 FR 54176, to N01740-1, Family Dependent Care Program.

DATES: The actions will be effective on March 12, 1997, unless comments are received that would result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Department of the Navy, PA/FOIA Policy Branch, Chief of Naval Operations (N09B30), 2000 Navy Pentagon, Washington, DC 20350-2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Doris Lama at (202) 685-6545 or DSN 325-6545.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The amendment consists of changing the system identifier of N01740-2, Family Dependent Care Program, last published on October 17, 1996, at 61 FR 54176, to N01740-1, Family Dependent Care Program.

The Department of the Navy's record system notices for records systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the Federal Register and are available from the address above.

Dated: February 5, 1997.

L.M. Bynum,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

**DELETION
N11012-1**

SYSTEM NAME:

Navy Personnel Billeting System (NPBS) (*February 22, 1993, 58 FR 10815*).

Reason: System was never implemented.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Assessment Governing Board: Meeting Cancellation

AGENCY: National Assessment Governing Board; Education.

ACTION: Cancellation.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the cancellation of a closed meeting of the National Assessment Governing Board's Nominations Committee that was published in the Federal Register, Vol. 62, No. 2, page 400, Friday, January 3, 1997. This meeting has been cancelled due to a delay in receipt of materials necessary for the Committee's work.

Dated: February 5, 1997.

Roy Truby,
Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board.

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