

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 30, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Stephen Baker, Department of Commerce, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 6877, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The U.S. must have the capability to rapidly mobilize its resources in the interest of national security. Therefore, to achieve prompt delivery of articles, products, and materials to meet national security or emergency preparedness requirements, the Defense Priorities Allocation Systems (DPAS) was developed. The information collected on BX-999, from defense contractors and suppliers, is required for the enforcement and administration of the Defense Production Act and the Selective Service Act to provide Special Priorities Assistance under the DPAS regulation. This form can be filed for any reason when the regular DPAS provisions are not sufficient to meet customer needs. The information provided by contractors is used to help resolve the problem.

II. Method of Collection

Written submission.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0694-0057.

Form Number: BX-999.

Type of Review: Regular submission for extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals, businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 600.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes per response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 300.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$6,000 (no material or equipment will need to be purchased to provide information).

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 24, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

Exceptions to IC/DV Procedures

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This reporting requirement allows exporters to request an exception to the import certificate (or its equivalent) procedure. This reporting requirement also covers requests for exceptions to the delivery verification procedure.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0694-0012.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission for extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals, businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 21.

Estimated Time Per Response: .5 hours per response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 11.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$272 (no material or equipment will need to be purchased to provide information).

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