DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Giant Multi-Resource Management Project

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Cancellation of Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The USDA Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest has changed the proposed action for this EIS, which has reduced the scope of the project. An Environmental Assessment rather than an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared for this proposed action. A Notice of Intent was published in the Federal Register on June 2, 1997 on page 29706. A revised Notice of Intent was published in the Federal Register on October 24, 1997 on page 55389.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Bradford, EIS Team Leader, Foresthill Ranger District, 530-478-6254.

Judie L. Tartaglia, Acting Forest Supervisor.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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 Economic Analysis. Title: Direct Transactions of U.S. with Foreign Affiliate. Form Number(s): BE-577. Agency Approval Number: 0608-0004.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.
Burden: 64,000 hours.
Number of Respondents: 12,800 respondents, 4 responses each per year.
Avg Hours Per Response: 1/4 hour.

Needs and Uses: The survey collects quarterly sample data on transactions and positions between U.S.-owned foreign business enterprises and their U.S. parents. Universe estimates are developed from the reported sample data. The data are needed to compile the U.S. international transactions, input-output, and national income and product accounts, and the international investment position of the United States. The data are also needed to measure the economic significance of U.S. direct investment abroad, measure changes in such investment, and assess its importance.

In addition, the data are needed by the Departments of Treasury, State, and Commerce, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, and the Council of Economic Advisers to carry out U.S. international economic policy. They are also needed by the Federal Reserve Board in the conduct of U.S. monetary policy. Such policy must be based upon an informed analysis of current information on cross border transactions, including transactions between U.S. affiliates and their foreign parents. The data are particularly valuable to these agencies because they are collected, analyzed, and published within 90 days after the end of each calendar quarter, allowing data users to see the consequences of changes in economic conditions almost immediately.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit institutions.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Respondent’s Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 22 U.S.C., Sections 3101-3108, as amended.

OMB Desk Officer: Paul Bugg, (202) 395-3093.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3722, Department of Commerce, Room 5732, 14th Street 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 Paul Bugg, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Linda Engelmeier,
Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal Integrated Coverage Measurement (ICM)/Post Enumeration Survey (PES) Person Followup Interview

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

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 April 13, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms 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 Magdalena Ramos, Staff Group Leader for ICM Operations, Bureau of the Census, Room 2126, Washington, DC 20233, (301)457-4295.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Bureau of the Census developed the Integrated Coverage Measurement (ICM) approach for measuring coverage of housing units and population counts during the decennial census. In the Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal, we will be conducting a rehearsal of both the ICM and Post Enumeration Survey (PES) methodologies which can be alternatively used to measure the coverage of the census for housing units and people. The ICM/PES is a survey of sample block clusters within the Dress Rehearsal sites. The Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal sites include an urban site (Sacramento, California), a non-urban site (Columbia, South Carolina, and surrounding area), and one American Indian Reservation (Menominee