

The Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be elected by the Committee from among its members.

Terms will expire for the current members of the Committee in June 1998. We are soliciting nominations from interested organizations and individuals to replace members on the Committee. An organization may nominate individuals from within or outside its membership. The Secretary will select members to obtain the broadest possible representation on the Committee, in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Regulation 1041-1. Equal opportunity practices, in line with the USDA policies, will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership should include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

Done in Washington, DC, this 8th day of May 1998.

**Charles P. Schwalbe,**

*Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Connecticut Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Connecticut Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 10:30 a.m. and adjourn at 3:30 p.m. on June 2, 1998, at the Catholic Charities/Catholic Families Services, Inc., Conference Room, 467 Bloomfield Avenue, Bloomfield, Connecticut 06002. The purpose of the meeting is: (1) follow up discussion of the Civil Rights Leadership Conference and its report and (2) program planning of future activities.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Committee Chairperson Neil Macy, 860-242-7287, or Ki-Taek Chun, Director of the Eastern Regional Office, 202-376-7533 (TDD 202-376-8116). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact

the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, May 7, 1998.

**Carol-Lee Hurley,**

*Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.*

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Oregon Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Oregon Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 1:00 p.m. and adjourn at 5:00 p.m. on June 19, 1998, at the Red Lion Hotel, Columbia River, 1401 North Hayden Island Drive, Portland, Oregon 97217. The purpose of the meeting is to ascertain the status of civil rights in Oregon and plan future activities.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Philip Montez, Director of the Western Regional Office, 213-894-3437 (TDD 213-894-3435). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, May 7, 1998.

**Carol-Lee Hurley,**

*Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Economic Analysis

#### Annual Survey of Construction, Engineering, Architectural, and Mining Services Provided by U.S. Firms to Unaffiliated Foreign Persons

**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 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 July 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 and instructions should be directed to: R. David Belli, U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, BE-50(OC), Washington, DC 20230 (Telephone: 202-606-9800).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The BE-47 Annual Survey of Construction, Engineering, Architectural, and Mining Services Provided by U.S. Firms to Unaffiliated Foreign Persons will obtain data on U.S. sales to unaffiliated foreign persons of construction, engineering, architectural, and mining services. The information gathered is needed, among other purposes, to support U.S. trade policy initiatives and to compile the U.S. international transactions, input-output, and national income and product accounts. BEA is proposing to drop the requirement to report data on Form BE-47 by individual project and instead require reporting only by country. This proposed change will bring the format and design of the survey generally more into line with those of other surveys of international services transactions that BEA conducts. In addition, BEA is proposing a change in the way transactions are coded by type of service. Currently, eight codes are used to classify the data reported on Form BE-47 by type of service. These codes are based on the 1987 U.S. Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. BEA proposes to collapse these eight codes into three broad groupings, which will be based on the new North American Industry Classification System that is replacing the SIC. These proposed changes will result in a small reduction in the estimated time per response.

##### II. Method of Collection

The survey will be sent each year to potential respondents in January and responses are due by March 31. A U.S.

person providing construction, engineering, architectural, or mining services to unaffiliated foreign persons is required to report if the gross value of new contracts received or the gross operating revenues from all existing contracts is \$1 million or more during the covered year. A U.S. person that receives a form but is not required to report data must file an exemption claim.

### III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0608-0015.

*Form Number:* BE-47.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* U.S. business or other for-profit institutions providing construction, engineering, architectural, and mining services to unaffiliated foreign persons.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 155.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 4.5 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 700.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$21,000 (based on an estimated reporting burden of 700 hours and an estimated hourly cost of \$30).

### 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 has 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 also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 8, 1998.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Commercial News USA

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the 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 July 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. Phone number: (202) 482-3272.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Request for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to: Jana Nelhybel, U.S. & Foreign Commercial Service, Export Promotion Service, Room 2202, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230. Phone number: (202) 482-5367, and fax number (202) 482-5362.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

Commercial News USA (CNUSA), published twelve times a year by a private sector firm, is the U.S. Department of Commerce's export catalog-magazine. The product information in CNUSA reaches more than 145,000 distributors, government officials, and potential buyers overseas through direct distribution from U.S. embassies and consulates. Firms use the form to request that their product information be published in CNUSA, a service for which the firms pay a minimum fee of \$445.

This information collection item allows the U.S. Department of Commerce to promote U.S. products and services available for export as part of the USDOC's trade promotion activities. CNUSA is a unique export promotion service for U.S. manufacturers, service firms, and publishers of trade and technical literature; nothing similar is available to them through the private sector. The product promotions in CNUSA differ from paid advertisements in that they

must meet program criteria. Because U.S. embassies and consulates handle distribution, the product information reaches a vast, screened readership not only through direct dissemination but also via counseling by commercial officers and through walk-in visits to commercial libraries where CNUSA is displayed. Further, American Chambers of Commerce, local business editors, and other trade entities that reprint information from CNUSA or display or disseminate the entire magazine provide a multiplier effect.

##### II. Method of Data Collection

The requests are sent to the private sector publisher.

##### III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0625-0061.

*Form Number:* ITA-4063P.

*Type of Review:* Renewal; regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Companies interested in placing their product information available for export in Commercial News USA.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,200.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 20 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 917.

*Estimated Total Annual Costs:* \$32,095.

##### 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 costs) 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 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 also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 8, 1998.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.*

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