

FURTHER MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

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1. Insurance Project in Argentina.
2. Insurance Project in Argentina.
3. Insurance Project in Argentina.
4. Finance project in Brazil and Bolivia.
5. Finance project in India.
6. Insurance project in Russia.
7. Insurance project in Azerbaijan.
8. Approval of December 15, 1998 Minutes (Closed Portion).
9. Pending Major Projects.

CONTACT PERSON FOR INFORMATION:

Information on the meeting may be obtained from Connie M. Downs at (202) 336-8438.

Dated: February 22, 1999.

Connie M. Downs,

OPIC Corporate Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Ch. 35), the Commission intends to seek approval from the Office of Management and Budget to issue a survey to participants in Commission injury investigations (primarily countervailing duty, antidumping, and safeguard investigations) to obtain feedback on the procedures used by the Commission in the conduct of such investigations. Comments concerning the proposed information collection are requested in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.8(d).

DATES: To be assured of consideration, written comments must be received not later than April 26, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Signed comments should be submitted to Donna Koehnke, Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20436.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the proposed survey and draft Supporting Statement to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget are posted on the Commission's World Wide Web site at <http://www.usitc.gov> or may be obtained from Lynn Featherstone, Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone 202-205-3160.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Request for Comments**

Comments are solicited as to: (1) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimization of the burden of the proposed information collection on those who are to respond (including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses).

Summary of the Proposed Information Collection

In its Strategic Plan (available on the agency's World Wide Web site at <http://www.usitc.gov>), the Commission set itself the goal of obtaining feedback on investigative procedures from users of the agency's import injury investigation process. The proposed survey seeks to gather that feedback to allow the Commission to ensure that its procedures are fair and equitably implemented.

The survey asks if the Commission's rules and other written guidance make clear to participants what the Commission expects of them procedurally in an investigation; if there are area(s) where additional guidance would be of benefit to their participation in investigations; if Commission personnel responded to procedural inquiries in a helpful way; if their access to information collected by/ submitted to the Commission was satisfactory; if their opportunity to present information for consideration by the Commission was satisfactory; and if they have any other comments or recommended improvements. It will be sent to firms that have participated in an antidumping, countervailing duty, or safeguard investigation during the period October 1, 1998-September 30, 1999. Responses are voluntary. While the survey will be made available on the Commission's web site, responses must be in paper form.

The Commission estimates that the survey will impose an average burden of less than 1 response hour each on 50 respondents.

By order of the Commission.

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Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Agency Form Submitted for OMB Review

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: The U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) has submitted the following information collection requirements to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) requesting emergency processing for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. Chap. 35). The Commission has requested OMB approval of this submission by COB March 1, 1999.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 19, 1999.

PURPOSE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:

This information collection is for use by the Commission and complies with objectives set forth in the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (Public-Law 103-62) to initiate measures to improve information on program performance, and specifically, to focus on evaluating results, quality, and customer satisfaction. The one-page survey will be placed only once annually inside the cover of most all public reports issued by the Commission pursuant to section 332 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332), and including public reports that meet agency requirements for the USITC Research Program.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:

(1) Number of forms submitted: one.

(2) Title of form: USITC Customer Satisfaction Survey.

(3) Type of request: new.

(4) Frequency of use: single and/or annual information gathering.

(5) Description of Respondents: Interested parties receiving most all public reports issued by the USITC, with the exception of Title VII reports.

(6) Estimated number of respondents: 2,500 annually.

(7) Estimated total number of hours to complete the forms: 625 hours annually.

(8) Information requested on a voluntary basis is not proprietary in nature, but rather for program evaluation purposes and is not intended to be published. Commission treatment of questionnaire responses will be followed; responses will be aggregated and will not be presented in a manner