

Notice released on February 3, 2000 (DA 00-191) apply.<sup>5</sup>

6. We reiterate that both SBC's waiver request and Nextel's petition are available for public inspection and copying in the Reference Center, Room CY A257, 445 12th St., SW, Washington, DC 20554. Copies of the request and the petition are also available from ITS at 1231 20th St. NW, Washington, DC 20036, or by calling (202) 857-3800.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Louis J. Sigalos,**

*Deputy Chief, Auctions & Industry Analysis Division.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Federal Open Market Committee; Domestic Policy Directive of December 21, 1999

In accordance with § 71.5 of its rules regarding availability of information (12 CFR part 271), there is set forth below the domestic policy directive issued by the Federal Open Market Committee at its meeting held on December 21, 1999.<sup>1</sup>

The information reviewed at this meeting suggests continued strong expansion of economic activity. Nonfarm payroll employment increased substantially further in October and November, and the civilian unemployment rate stayed at 4.1 percent in November, its low for the year. Manufacturing output recorded sizable gains in October and November. Total retail sales rose appreciably over the two months. Housing activity has softened somewhat over recent months but has remained at a high level. Trends in orders suggest that business spending on capital equipment has increased further. The U.S. nominal trade deficit in goods and services rose in October from its average in the third quarter. Aggregate price increases have been smaller in the past two months, reflecting a flattening in energy prices; labor compensation rates have been rising more slowly than last year.

<sup>5</sup> See "Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on Nextel Communications, Inc.'s Petition Regarding PCS C and F Block Spectrum; Extension of Filing Deadline for Comments to SBC Communications Inc.'s Request for Waiver," Public Notice, DA 00-191 (released February 3, 2000).

<sup>1</sup> Copies of the Minutes of the Federal Open Market Committee meeting of December 21, 1999, which include the domestic policy directive issued at that meeting, are available upon request to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551. The minutes are published in the Federal Reserve Bulletin and in the Board's annual report.

Most market interest rates are up somewhat since the meeting on November 16, 1999. Measures of share prices in equity markets have risen further over the intermeeting period. In foreign exchange markets, the trade-weighted value of the dollar has changed little over the period in relation to the currencies of a broad group of important U.S. trading partners.

M2 continued to grow at a moderate pace in November while M3 surged. For the year through November, M2 and M3 are estimated to have increased at rates somewhat above the Committee's annual ranges for 1999. Total domestic nonfinancial debt has expanded at a pace in the upper end of its range.

The Federal Open Market Committee seeks monetary and financial conditions that will foster price stability and promote sustainable growth in output. In furtherance of these objectives, the Committee reaffirmed at its meeting in June the ranges it had established in February for growth of M2 and M3 of 1 to 5 percent and 2 to 6 percent respectively, measured from the fourth quarter of 1998 to the fourth quarter of 1999. The range for growth of total domestic nonfinancial debt was maintained at 3 to 7 percent for the year. For 2000, the Committee agreed on a tentative basis in June to retain the same ranges for growth of the monetary aggregates and debt, measured from the fourth quarter of 1999 to the fourth quarter of 2000. The behavior of the monetary aggregates will continue to be evaluated in the light of progress toward price level stability, movements in their velocities, and developments in the economy and financial markets.

To promote the Committee's long-run objectives of price stability and sustainable economic growth, the Committee in the immediate future seeks conditions in reserve markets consistent with maintaining the federal funds rate at an average of around 5½ percent. In view of the evidence currently available, the Committee believes that prospective developments are equally likely to warrant an increase or a decrease in the federal funds rate operating objective during the intermeeting period.

By order of the Federal Open Market Committee, February 10, 2000.

**Donald L. Kohn,**

*Secretary, Federal Open Market Committee.*

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## GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### Proposed Collection: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled American Customer Satisfaction Index

**AGENCY:** General Services Administration (GSA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for approval of an information collection entitled American Customer Satisfaction Index.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), GSA has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an information collection concerning American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI). An emergency review was requested by OMB, and a notice was published in the **Federal Register** at 64 FR 36690, July 7, 1999. OMB approved the emergency collection and assigned OMB No. 3090-0271. The information collection also was published in the **Federal Register** on November 26, 1999 at 64 FR 66478 allowing for the standard 60-day public comment period. No comments were received.

The following summary of the proposed information collection activity is designed to support the customer satisfaction policies outlined in Executive Order 12862, "Setting Customer Service Standards," and to establish a means to consistently measure and compare customer satisfaction among high-impact agencies within the Executive Branch. GSA serves as the Executive Agent for this initiative and has selected the ACSI through a competitive procurement process as the vehicle for obtaining the required information.

The ACSI is a cross-industry, cross-agency methodology for obtaining comparable measures of customer satisfaction. Along with other economic objectives—such as employment and growth—the quality of output (goods and services) is a part of measuring living standards. The ACSI's ultimate purpose is to help improve the quality of goods and services available to the American people.

The surveys that comprise the Federal Government's portion of the ACSI will be completed subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, Public Law 93-579, December 31, 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a). The agency information collection will be used solely for the purpose of the survey. The ACSI partnership will not be authorized to release any agency information upon completion of the survey without first obtaining permission from GSA and the

agency in question. In no case shall any new system of records containing privacy information be developed by GSA, participating agencies, or the contractor responsible for compiling the ACSI. In addition, participating Federal agencies may only provide information used to randomly select respondents from among established systems of records providing for such routine uses.

This survey asks no questions of a sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly considered private.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before March 24, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments concerning this notice should be submitted to: Edward Springer, GSA Desk Officer, Room 3235, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503 and also may be submitted to James L. Dean, Director, Committee Management Secretariat, Room G-230 (MC), 1800 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20405, or e-mail to James.Dean@gsa.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Dean, Director, Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration at (202) 273-3563, or by e-mail to James.Dean@gsa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

The purpose of this Notice is to consult with and solicit comments from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information under the ACSI to help improve the quality of goods and services available to the American people.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Participation by Federal agencies in the ACSI is expected to vary as new customer segments measured are added or deleted. However, projected estimates for fiscal years 1999 through 2001 are as follows:

*Fiscal Year 1999—30 Customer Segments*

Respondents: 7,800; annual responses: 7,800; average minutes per response: 10; burden hours: 1,300.

*Fiscal Year 2000—90 Customer Segments*

Respondents: 23,400; annual responses: 23,400; average minutes per response: 10; burden hours: 3,900.

*Fiscal Year 2001—200 Customer Segments*

Respondents: 52,000; annual responses: 52,000; average minutes per response: 10; burden hours: 8,667.

**COPY OF PROPOSAL:** A copy of this proposal may be obtained by contacting James Dean at the above address.

Dated: February 16, 2000.

**J. Les Davison,**

*Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy.*

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**GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

**Proposed Collection: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Questionnaire: CD-ROM of the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance and Federal Assistance Award Data System**

**AGENCY:** Office of Acquisition Policy, GSA.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for approval of a new information collection entitled Questionnaire: CD-ROM of the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance and Federal Assistance Award System.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), GSA has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve a new information collection concerning Questionnaire: CD-ROM of the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance and Federal Assistance Award Data system. The information collection was published in the **Federal Register** on November 29, 1999 at 64 FR 66638 allowing for the standard 60-day comment period. No comments were received.

The Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Staff, General Services Administration is requesting that users of the CD-ROM version of the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance and Federal Assistance Award Data System reply, on a voluntary basis to a survey designed to determine user satisfaction and solicit comments that will help them understand users' needs. The Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Staff will use information solicited from users to improve its usefulness to customers. Without this information, CD-ROM users' needs may go unrecognized. This is a voluntary survey that will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before March 24, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments concerning this notice should be submitted to: Edward Springer, GSA Desk Officer, Room 3235, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503 and also may be submitted to: Jacqueline Garrett,

Governmentwide Information Systems Division, Room 101—Reporters Building, 300 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20407, or e-mail to Jackie.Garrett@gsa.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jacqueline Garrett, Governmentwide Information Systems Division, Room 101—Reporters Building, 300 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20407, or e-mail to Jackie.Garrett@gsa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

The purpose of this Notice is to solicit comments from users of the CD-ROM version of the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) and Federal Assistance Award Data System (FAADS) to improve its usefulness to customers.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

*Respondents: 1,000; annual responses: 1,000; average hours per response: .10; burden hours: 100.*

**COPY OF PROPOSAL:** A copy of this proposal may be obtained by contacting Jacqueline Garrett at the above address.

Dated: February 16, 2000.

**J. Les Davison,**

*Acting Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Office of the Assistant Secretary for Management and Budget; Notice or Availability of Revised Inventory of Commercial Activities**

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of revised inventory of commercial activities.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, in compliance with sec. 2(c)(2) of the Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act, Public Law 105-270, that the commercial activities inventory of the Department of Health and Human Services, originally made public on September 30, 1999, has been changed as a result of a challenge from an interested party. The change affects only 31 FTE's, which were removed from the portion of the inventory pertaining to the program Support Center. All other parts of the inventory remain unchanged. The entire inventory is available for public inspection on the DHHS website, at [www.hhs.gov/progorg/oam/fair](http://www.hhs.gov/progorg/oam/fair).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mike Colvin, Office of Acquisition