

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0152).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Service Contracting. This OMB clearance expires on June 30, 2000.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before May 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Klein, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA, 501-3775.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

This FAR requirement implements the statutory requirements of Section 834, Public Law 101-510, concerning uncompensated overtime. The coverage requires that offerors identify uncompensated overtime hours and the uncompensated overtime rate for procurements valued at \$100,000 or more. This permits Government contracting officers to ascertain cost realism of proposed labor rates for professional employees.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Number of Respondents: 19,906.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Total Responses: 19,906.

Average Burden Per Response: 30 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 9,953.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the proposal from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 208-7312. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0152, Service Contracting, in all correspondence.

Dated: March 9, 2000.

Edward C. Loeb,

Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on Impact of DoD Acquisition Policies and Practices on the Health and Competitiveness of US Defense Companies will meet in closed session on February 22, 2000; March 7, March 20-21, April 4 and April 10. All meetings will be held at Strategic Analysis Inc., One Virginia Square, 3601 Wilson Blvd., Suite 600, Arlington, VA 22201.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At these meetings, the Task Force will review the Department of Defense's acquisition policies and regulations governing the primary vendors of military equipment; determine whether these acquisition policies, processes and regulations have supported or weakened rational and economical business practices within the primary vendors of military equipment; and assess the impact of those policies, practices and regulations on the health and competitiveness of US defense companies. The Task Force plans to hold sensitive programmatic discussions with the primary vendors during the course of this effort.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II, (1994)), it has been determined that these Defense Science

Board meetings, concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (1) and (4) (1994), and that accordingly these meetings will be closed to the public.

Dated: March 9, 2000.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the DoD Healthcare Quality Initiatives Review Panel

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the ongoing schedule and for the next two meetings of the DoD Healthcare Quality Initiatives Review Panel. Meetings will be open to the public. Notice of these meetings are required under the Federal Advisory Committee (FAC) Act (Pub. L. 92-463).

DATES: March 23, 2000; April 27, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Sheraton Crystal City, 1800 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Arlington, VA 22202.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE AND AGENDA:

Agenda will be posted on the homepage located @www.hqirp.org. The DoD Healthcare Quality Initiatives Review Panel (HQIRP) will meet in open session from approximately 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. There will be 20 minutes provided for Public Commentary beginning at approximately 4:30 pm. Public seating for this meeting is limited and is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Please contact Gia Edmonds at (703) 933-8325.

Dated: March 9, 2000.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Spring 2000 Conference Meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Advisory Committee on Women in the Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 10(a), Public Law 92-463, as amended, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming semi-annual conference of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS). The purpose of the Spring 2000 DACOWITS Conference is to assist the Secretary of Defense on matters relating to women in the Services. Conference sessions will be held daily and will be open to the public, unless otherwise noted below.

DATES: April 26-30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Washington Dulles Airport Hotel, 13869 Park Center Road, Herndon, VA 20171; telephone: (703) 478-2900.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Major Susan E. Kolb, ARNG, or Sergeant First Class Verena Sander, USA, DACOWITS and Military Women Matters, OASD (Force Management Policy), 4000 Defense Pentagon, Room 3D769, Washington, DC 20301-4000; telephone (703) 697-2122 or E-Mail: SANDERV@PR.OSD.MIL.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following rules will govern the participation by members of the public at the conference:

(1) Members of the public will not be permitted to attend the DoD Luncheon, DoD Reception and Dinner and Conference Field Trip.

(2) The Opening Session, General Session, all Subcommittee Sessions, Tri-Committee Review, and the Voting Session will be open to the public.

(3) Interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Committee and/or make an oral presentation of such during the conference.

(4) Persons desiring to make an oral presentation or to submit a written statement to the Committee must notify the point of contact listed above no later than April 10, 2000.

(5) Length and number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public.

(6) Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted only on Sunday, April 30, 2000, before the full Committee.

(7) Each person desiring to make an oral presentation must provide the DACOWITS office with one (1) copy of the presentation by April 10, 2000 and bring 175 copies of any material that is intended for distribution at the conference.

(8) Persons submitting a written statement for inclusion in the minutes of the conference must submit to the DACOWITS staff one (1) copy of the

statement by the close of the conference on Sunday, April 30, 2000.

(9) Other new items from members of the public may be presented in writing to any DACOWITS member for transmittal to the DACOWITS Chair or Military Director, DACOWITS and Military Women Matters, for consideration.

(10) Members of the public will not be permitted to enter oral discussions conducted by the Committee members at any of the sessions; however, they will be permitted to reply to questions directed to them by the members of the Committee.

(11) After the official participants have asked questions and/or made comment to the scheduled speakers, members of the public will be permitted to ask questions if recognized by the Chair and if time allows.

(12) Non-social agenda events that are not open to the public are for administrative matters unrelated to substantive advice provided to the Department of Defense and do not involve DACOWITS deliberations or decision-making issues before the Committee. Conference sessions will be conducted according to the following agenda:

Tuesday, April 25, 2000

New Member Orientation (DACOWITS Members Only).

Wednesday, April 26, 2000

Conference Registration, New Member Orientation (DACOWITS Members Only), Military Representatives Meeting (Senior Military Representatives Only), Executive Committee Rules and Procedures Meeting (DACOWITS Members Only).

Thursday, April 27, 2000

Opening Session and General Session (Open to public), DoD Luncheon (Invited Guests Only), Subcommittee Sessions (Open to Public).

Friday, April 28, 2000

Subcommittee Sessions (Open to Public), Luncheon (Paid Registered Conference Participants Only), Subcommittee Session (Open to Public), Executive Committee Rules and Procedures Meeting (DACOWITS Members Only), DoD Reception and Dinner (Invited Guests Only).

Saturday, April 29, 2000

Tri-Committee Session (Open to Public), Subcommittee Sessions (Open to Public), Field Trip (DACOWITS Members and Senior Military Representatives Only), Executive Committee Rules and Procedures Meeting (DACOWITS Members Only).

Sunday, April 30, 2000

Voting Session (Open to Public).

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L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (DAPE-ZXI-RM), U.S. Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of the Army announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will given to all comments received by May 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Waterborne Commerce Statistics Center, P.O. Box 61280, New Orleans, LA 70161 ATTN: CEWRC-NDC-C (J. Alexander Wieriman). Consideration will be given to all comments received within 60 days of the date of publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Department of the Army Reports clearance officer at (703) 614-0454.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Vessel Operation Report, ENG Forms 3925, 3925B, 3925P, 3925C, 0710-0016.