

Supplementary Information section of the Notice by June 20, 2000. This notice reopens the time period for submission of comments. Comments will be accepted through July 7, 2000.

DATES: All comments are due by July 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to offer written comments should address those comments to Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Box 4, Washington, DC 20231, marked to the attention of Elizabeth Shaw. Comments may also be submitted by facsimile transmission to (703) 305-7575, or by electronic mail through the Internet to elizabeth.shaw2@uspto.gov. All comments will be maintained for public inspection in Room 902, Crystal Park II, 2121 Crystal Drive, Arlington, Virginia.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Shaw by telephone at (703) 305-1033, by fax at (703) 305-7575, or by mail marked to her attention and addressed to Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Box 4, Washington, DC 20231.

Dated: June 22, 2000.

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Acting Solicitor.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

[OMB Control Number 0704-0369]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Rights in Technical Data and Computer Software

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the 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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection for use through September 30, 2000. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through September 30, 2003.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by August 28, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should submit written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Ms. Melissa D. Rider, OUSD(AT&L)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telefax (703) 602-0350.

E-mail comments submitted via the Internet should be addressed to: dfars@acq.osd.mil.

Please cite OMB Control Number 0704-0369 in all correspondence related to this issue. E-mail comments should cite OMB Control Number 0704-0369 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Melissa D. Rider, (703) 602-4245. The information collection requirements addressed in this notice are available electronically via the Internet at: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/dfars.html>. Paper copies are available from Ms. Melissa D. Rider, OUSD(AT&L)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Subpart 227.71, Rights in Technical data, and Subpart 227.72, Rights in Computer Software and Computer Software Documentation, and related provisions and clauses of the Defense federal acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS); OMB Control Number 0704-0369.

Needs and Uses: DFARS Subparts 227.71 and 227.72 prescribe the use of solicitation provisions and contract clauses containing information collection requirements that are associated with rights in technical data and computer software. DoD needs this information to implement 10 U.S.C. 2320, Rights in technical data, and 10 U.S.C. 2321, Validation of proprietary data restrictions. DoD uses the information to recognize and protect contractor rights in technical data and computer software that are associated

with privately funded developments; and to ensure that technical data delivered under a contract is complete and accurate and satisfies contract requirements.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and no-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,299,698.

Number of Respondents: 56,044.

Responses Per Respondent: 15.

Average Burden Per Response: 1.5 hours.

Frequency: On occasion.

Summary of Information Collection

DoD uses the following DFARS provisions and clauses in solicitations and contracts to require offerors and contractors to identify and mark data or software requiring protection from unauthorized release or disclosure in accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2320:

252.227-7013, Rights in Technical Data-Noncommercial Items.

252.227-7014, Rights in Noncommercial Computer Software and Noncommercial Computer Software Documentation.

252.227-7017, Identification and Assertion of Use, Release, or Disclosure Restrictions.

252.227-7018, Rights in Noncommercial Technical Data and Computer Software-Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program.

In accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2320(a)(2)(D), DoD may disclose limited rights data to persons outside the Government, or allow those persons to use limited rights data, if the recipient agrees not to further release, disclose, or use the data. Therefore, the clause at DFARS 252.227-7013, Rights in Technical Data-Noncommercial Items, requires the contractor to identify and mark data or software that it provides with limited rights.

In accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2321(b), contractors and subcontractors at any tier must be prepared to furnish written justification for any asserted restriction on the Government's rights to use or release data. The following DFARS clauses require contractors and subcontractors to maintain adequate records and procedures to justify any asserted restrictions:

225.227-7019, Validation of Asserted Restrictions-Computer Software.

252.227-7037, Validation of Restrictive Markings on Technical Data.

In accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2320, DoD must protect the rights of contractors that have developed items, components, or processes at private expense. Therefore, the clause at DFARS 252.227-7025, Limitations on the Use or Disclosure of Government-Furnished Information Marked with Restrictive

Legends, requires a contractor or subcontractor to submit a use and non-disclosure agreement when it obtains data from the Government to which the Government has only limited rights.

The provision at DFARS 252.227-7028, Technical Data or Computer Software Previously Delivered to the Government, requires an offeror to identify any technical data or computer software that it previously delivered, or will deliver, under any Government contract. DoD needs this information to avoid paying for rights in technical data or computer software that the Government already owns.

In accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2320(b)(7), a contractor that delivers or makes technical data available to the Government must furnish written assurance that the technical data is complete and accurate and satisfies contract requirements. The clause at DFARS 252.227-7036, Declaration of Technical Data Conformity, implements this requirement.

Michele P. Peterson,

Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Air Force Institute of Technology; Evaluation for Continued Accreditation

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, (DOD).

ACTION: Notice of evaluation for continued accreditation.

SUMMARY: The Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) is seeking comments from the public about the Institute in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. The Institute will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit October 16-18, 2000, by a team representing the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The AFIT has been accredited by the Commission since 1960. The team will review the institution's ongoing ability to meet the Commission's Criteria for Accreditation and General Institutional Requirements. **DATES:** All comments must be received by September 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The public is invited to submit comments regarding the Institute to: Public Comment on the Air Force Institute of Technology, Commission on Institutions of Higher Education, North Central Association of Colleges and

Schools, 30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. James M. Horner at 937-255-4808.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing and signed comments cannot be treated as confidential.

Authority: 10 U.S.C. 9314.

Janet A. Long,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Availability Inventions for Licensing; Government-Owned Inventions

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The invention listed below is assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and is available for licensing by the Department of the Navy.

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/533,954 entitled, "Chemical Warfare Agent Decontamination Foaming Composition and Method", filing date: March 22, 2000, Navy Case No. 82169.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patent applications cited should be directed to the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Laboratory, Code CD222, 17320 Dahlgren Road, Building 183, Room 015, Dahlgren, VA 22448-5100, and must include the Navy Case number. Interested parties will be required to sign a Confidentiality, Non-Disclosure and Non-Use Agreement before receiving copies of requested patent applications.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James B. Bechtel, Patent Counsel, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Laboratory, Code CD222, 17320 Dahlgren Road, Building 183, Room 015, Dahlgren, VA 22448-5100, telephone (540)-653-8016.

Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR Part 404.

Dated: June 14, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Availability Inventions for Licensing; Government-Owned Inventions

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The invention listed below is assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and is available for licensing by the Department of the Navy.

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/573,152 entitled, "Decontamination Solution and Method", filing date: May 19, 2000, Navy Case No. 82505.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patent applications cited should be directed to the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Laboratory, Code CD222, 17320 Dahlgren Road, Building 183, Room 015, Dahlgren, VA 22448-5100, and must include the Navy Case number. Interested parties will be required to sign a Confidentiality, Non-Disclosure and Non-Use Agreement before receiving copies of requested patent applications.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 28, 2000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires