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## AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### Notice of Public Information Collections Being Reviewed by the Agency for International Development; Comments Requested

**SUMMARY:** U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is making efforts to reduce the paperwork burden. USAID invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act for 1995. Comments are requested concerning: (a) Whether the proposed or continuing collections 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 burden estimates; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before January 2, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Beverly Johnson, Bureau for Management, Office of Administrative Services, Information and Records Division, U.S. Agency for International Development, Room 2.07-106, RRB, Washington, DC 20523, (202) 712-1365 or via e-mail [bjohnson@usaid.gov](mailto:bjohnson@usaid.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB No.:* OMB 0412-0510.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Title:* Administration or Assistance Awards to U.S. Non-Government Organizations—22 CFR part 226 and USAID's Automated Directive Systems Chapter 303.

*Type of Review:* Renewal of Information Collection.

*Purpose:* Section 635(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act (FAA) authorizes USAID to make grants and cooperative agreements with any organization and within limits of the FAA. Most of the information that USAID requests of its recipients is necessary to fulfill the requirement that USAID, as a Federal agency, ensure prudent management of public funds under all of its assistance instruments. The pre-award information is necessary to assure that funds are provided for programs that further the purposes of the FAA and that the recipients have the capability to manage the program administratively and financially. The administration (post-award) requirements are based on the need to assure that the program is functioning adequately, that the funds are managed properly and that statutory and regulatory requirements are complied with.

*Annual Reporting Burden:*

*Respondents:* 400.

*Total annual responses:* 1,100.

*Total annual hours requested:* 37,400 hours.

Dated: October 24, 2000.

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Office of Administrative Services, Bureau for  
Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Manufacturing Extension Partnership National Advisory Board; Notice of Renewal

In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and the General Services Administration (GSA) rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, 41 CFR Part 101-6, and after consultation with GSA, the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the renewal of the Manufacturing Extension Partnership National Advisory Board is in the public interest in connection with the performance of the duties imposed on the Department by law.

The Committee was first established in October 1996 to advise MEP regarding their programs, plans, and policies. In reviewing the Board, the Secretary has established it for an additional two years. During the next

two years, the Board plans to address center service mix standardization, eBusiness, moving toward high performance centers, training and education of field staff, MEP University, national awareness of the MEP program, international services, and others.

The Board will consist of nine members to be appointed by the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to assure a balanced membership that will represent the views and needs of customers, providers, and others involved in industrial extension throughout the United States.

The Board will function solely as an advisory body and in compliance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Copies of the Board's revised charter will be filed with the appropriate committees of the Congress and with the Library of Congress.

Inquiries or comments may be directed to Linda Acierto, Senior Policy Advisor, Manufacturing Extension Partnership, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Shop 4800, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-4800; telephone: 301-975-5020.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-122-823]

### Preliminary Determination of Circumvention of Antidumping Order: Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate From Canada

**AGENCY:** Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Preliminary Determination of Circumvention of Antidumping Order: Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate from Canada.

**SUMMARY:** We preliminarily determine that imports of certain cut-to-length carbon plate products, known as grader blade and draft key steel, falling within the physical dimensions outlined in the scope of the order, and containing a minimum of both 0.0008 percent boron