

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**GENERAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION****NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND
SPACE ADMINISTRATION****[OMB Control No. 9000-0033]****Federal Acquisition Regulation;
Proposed Collection; Contractor's
Signature Authority**

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0033).

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 Contractor's Signature Authority. The clearance currently expires on September 30, 2001.

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: Submit comments on or before August 24, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura Smith, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA, (202) 208-7279.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**A. Purpose**

Entities doing business with the Government must identify those persons who have the authority to bind the principal. This information is needed to ensure that Government contracts are legal and binding. The information is used by the contracting officer to ensure that authorized persons sign contracts.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows:

Respondents: 4,800.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Total Responses: 4,800.

Hours Per Response: .017.

Total Burden Hours: 82.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the proposal from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0033, Contractor's Signature Authority, in all correspondence.

Dated: June 4, 2001.

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Director, Acquisition Policy Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Defense Science Board**

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on E-Commerce will meet in closed session on September 25-26, 2001, and October 23, 2001, at SAIC, Inc., 4001 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA. This Task Force will review the DoD's current implementation status of e-commerce tools and make any appropriate recommendations that might enhance opportunities for cost reduction, capital and manpower efficiency.

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 Defense Science Board Task Force will review and evaluate the Department's new procurement approaches and its current implementation status in light of the

fact that the Department has one of the largest acquisition systems in the world for both goods and services.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, P.L. No. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II), it has been determined that these Defense Science Board meetings concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(4), and that accordingly these meetings will be closed to the public.

Dated: June 18, 2001.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Defense Science Board**

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board (DSB) Summer Study will meet in closed session August 13-24, 2001, at the Beckman Center, Irvine, CA. At these meetings, the Defense Science Board will discuss interim findings and recommendations resulting from two ongoing Task Force activities: Defense Science & Technology (S&T) and Precision Targeting.

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 Board will address the issues involved in assuring that the U.S. continues to gain access to and develop technology from which to gain military advantage. They will consider future technologies that should be developed and exploited for military applications, particularly potential technologies that provide the U.S. military an asymmetric advantage in conflict, in deployment, and at home; the appropriate mix of in-house, contractor, university and commercial providers of basic and applied research and of advanced development; how DoD can leverage technology that is under development and produced globally in commercial industry, as well as that which is being discovered and demonstrated in the S&T programs funded by both other U.S. agencies and other nations; the situation of and the contribution of the DoD laboratories in