

information collection requirement concerning progress payments. A request for public comments was published in the **Federal Register** at 67 FR 34683, on May 15, 2002. No comments were received.

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 on or before August 19, 2002.

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: Jeremy F. Olson, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

Certain Federal contracts provide for progress payments to be made to the contractor during performance of the contract. The requirement for certification and supporting information are necessary for the administration of statutory and regulatory limitation on the amount of progress payments under a contract. The submission of supporting cost schedules is an optional procedure that, when the contractor elects to have a group of individual orders treated as a single contract for progress payments purposes, is necessary for the administration of statutory and regulatory requirements concerning progress payments.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 27,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 32.

Annual Responses: 864,000.

Hours Per Response: .55.

Total Burden Hours: 475,000.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals:

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from

the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), Room 4035, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0010, Progress Payments, in all correspondence.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Summer Study will meet in closed session on August 5-16, 2002, 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: Missile Defense and Special Operations and Joint Forces in Support of Countering Terrorism.

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 develop recommendations that help guide the ballistic missile defense system (BMDS) toward a fully integrated, layered defense capable of defeating ballistic missiles in any phase of their flight by examining five areas: Counter-countermeasures; boost phase technology; battle management and command, control, and communications; international cooperation; and the evolution of ballistic missile threats.

The Board will also review all elements of the future joint force, including Special Operation Forces that can contribute to military campaigns. They will address how to: Enhance and best integrate information, maneuver and fires (kinetic and other, lethal and otherwise); deploy, sustain and protect the joint force in these missions, particularly in remote locations and in the face of counter-access measures; and, exploit and leverage the contributions of coalition partners both

traditional (e.g., NATO allies) and non-traditional (e.g., that Afghan Northern Alliance). The Board will then recommend steps to pursue and implement the new and enhanced operational capabilities it identifies.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 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)(1) and that, accordingly, the meetings will be closed to the public

Dated: July 12, 2002.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Inland Waterways Users Board; Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 302 of the Public Law 99-662 established the Inland Waterways Users Board. The Board is an independent Federal advisory committee. The Secretary of the Army appoints its 11 members. This notice is to solicit nominations for seven (7) appointments or reappointments to two-year terms that will begin January 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Department of the Army, Washington, DC 20310-0103. Attention: Inland Waterways Users Board Nominations Committee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) (703) 697-8986.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The selection, service, and appointment of Board members are covered by provisions of Section 302 of Public Law 99-662. The substance of those provisions is as follows:

a. Selection. Members are to be selected from the spectrum of commercial carriers and shippers using the inland and intracoastal waterways to represent geographical regions, and to be representative of waterborne commerce as determined by commodity ton-miles statistics.

b. Service. The Board is required to meet at least semi-annually to develop and make recommendations to the