

The current scope of the QFR includes corporations in the Mining, Manufacturing, Wholesale Trade, and Retail Trade sectors. The main purpose of the QFR is to provide timely, accurate data on business financial conditions for use by Government and private-sector organizations and individuals. An extensive subscription mailing list attests to the diverse groups using these data including foreign countries, universities, financial analysts, unions, trade associations, public libraries, banking institutions, and U.S. and foreign corporations. The primary users are U.S. Governmental organizations charged with economic policymaking responsibilities. These organizations play a major role in providing guidance, advice, and support to the QFR Program.

II. Method of Collection

The Census Bureau will primarily use mail out/mail back survey forms to collect data. Companies will be asked to respond to the survey within 25 days of the end of the quarter for which the data are being requested, except for form QFR-103 (NB) which is due 30 days after receipt by the companies. Letters and/or telephone calls encouraging participation will be directed to respondents that have not responded by the designated time. The QFR Program introduced the use of computer readable medium for optional use as a substitute for the paper form to all companies filing long forms QFR-101 (MG) and QFR-102 (TR). The Computerized Self-Administered Questionnaire (CSAQ) is an electronic version of the data collection form. It provides the data provider with interactive edits making it possible to identify potential reporting problems before submission, thus reducing the need for follow-up. The CSAQ can be completed and submitted electronically via the Internet or by returning the CSAQ by mail for electronic data capture. During the next year a CSAQ short form will be developed and made available to companies filing the QFR-101A (MG).

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0432.

Form Number: QFR-101 (MG), QFR-102 (TR), QFR-101A (MG), and QFR-103 (NB).

Type of Review: Regular Review.

Affected Public: Manufacturing corporations with assets of \$250 thousand or more and Mining, and Wholesale and Retail Trade corporations with assets of \$50 million or more.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Form QFR-101 (MG)—3,976 per

quarter = 15,904 annually
Form QFR-102 (TR)—490 per quarter = 1,960 annually
Form QFR-101A (MG)—4,231 per quarter = 16,924 annually
Form QFR-103 (NB)—1,414 per quarter = 5,656 annually
Total 40,444 annually

Estimated Time Per Response:

Form QFR-101 (MG)—Average hours 3.0

Form QFR-102 (TR)—Average hours 3.0

Form QFR-101A (MG)—Average hours 1.2

Form QFR-103 (NB)—Average hours 2.4

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 85,000 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$2.0 million.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 United States Code, Sections 91 and 224.

IV. Request for Comments

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 (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 5, 2004.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Census Advisory Committees

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Title 5, United

States Code, Appendix 2, Section 10(a)(b), the Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) is giving notice of a joint meeting, followed by separate and concurrently held meetings of the Census Advisory Committees (CACs) on the African American Population, the American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, the Asian Population, the Hispanic Population, and the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Populations. The Committees will address issues related to the 2010 reengineered decennial census, including the American Community Survey and other related decennial programs. The five CACs on Race and Ethnicity will meet in plenary and concurrent sessions on May 5-7. Last minute changes to the schedule are possible, which could prevent us from giving advance notification.

DATES: May 5-7, 2004. On May 5, the meeting will begin at approximately 8:30 a.m. and end at approximately 5 p.m. On May 6, the meeting will begin at approximately 8:30 a.m. and end at approximately 5 p.m. On May 7, the meeting will begin at approximately 8:30 a.m. and end at approximately 12:15 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeri Green, Committee Liaison Officer, Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 3627, Federal Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20233, telephone (301) 763-2070, TTY (301) 457-2540.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CACs on the African American Population, the American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, the Asian Population, the Hispanic Population, and the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Populations are comprised of nine members each. The Committees provide an organized and continuing channel of communication between the representative race and ethnic populations and the Census Bureau. The Committee provides an outside-user perspective about how research and design plans for the 2010 reengineered decennial census, the American Community Survey, and other related programs realize goals and satisfy needs associated with these communities. They also assist the Census Bureau on ways that census data can best be disseminated to diverse race and ethnic populations and other users.

All meetings are open to the public. A brief period will be set aside at the meeting for public comment. However,

individuals with extensive questions or statements must submit them in writing to the Committee Liaison Officer, named above, at least three days before the meeting. Seating is available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Committee Liaison Officer as soon as known and preferably two weeks prior to the meeting.

Dated: March 5, 2004.

Charles Louis Kincannon,

Director, Bureau of the Census.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Census Advisory Committee of Professional Associations

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463 as amended by Pub. L. 94-409), the Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) is giving notice of a meeting of the Census Advisory Committee of Professional Associations. The Committee will address issues regarding Census Bureau programs and activities related to their areas of expertise. Members will address policy, research, and technical issues related to the 2010 decennial census, including the American Community Survey and related programs. The Committee also will discuss several economic initiatives, as well as issues pertaining to marketing services, measurement of local labor market activity, and data stewardship. Last minute changes to the agenda are possible, which could prevent giving advance notice of schedule adjustments.

DATES: April 22-23, 2004. On April 22, the meeting will begin at approximately 9 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 5:15 p.m. On April 23, the meeting will begin at approximately 9 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 12:15 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Census Bureau, 4700 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, Maryland 20746.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeri Green, Committee Liaison Officer, Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 3627, Federal Building 3, Washington, DC 20233. Her telephone

number is 301-763-2070, TDD 301-457-2540.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Census Advisory Committee of Professional Associations is composed of 36 members, appointed by the Presidents of the American Economic Association, the American Statistical Association, and the Population Association of America, and the Chairperson of the Board of the American Marketing Association. The Committee members address issues regarding Census Bureau programs and activities related to their respective areas of expertise.

The meeting is open to the public, and a brief period is set aside for public comment and questions. Those persons with extensive questions or statements must submit them in writing, at least three days before the meeting, to the Committee Liaison Officer named above in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** heading. Seating is available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should also be directed to the Committee Liaison Officer.

Dated: March 5, 2004.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 5-2004]

Foreign-Trade Zone 229—Charleston, West Virginia Application For Foreign-Trade Subzone Status E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, Inc. (Crop Protection Products); Belle, WV

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the West Virginia Economic Development Authority, grantee of FTZ 229, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the manufacturing facilities (crop protection products) of E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, Inc. (DuPont), located in Belle, West Virginia. The application was submitted pursuant to the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on February 25, 2004.

The DuPont facilities are located at 901 West Dupont Avenue in Belle (105.77 acres with 113 buildings and

962,000 sq. ft. of enclosed space; potential expansion to include two more buildings with an additional 78,000 sq. ft.). The facilities (approximately 500 employees) produce crop protection products which DuPont intends to manufacture, test, package, and warehouse under FTZ procedures.

The company's list of categories of imported parts and materials for possible use in its operations under FTZ procedures includes: Inorganic acids and other inorganic oxygen compounds of nonmetals; sulfides of nonmetals; ammonia; sodium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, and peroxides of sodium or potassium; hydrazine and hydroxylamine and their inorganic salts, other inorganic bases, and other metal oxides, hydroxides, and peroxides; fluorides, fluorosilicates, fluoroaluminates, and other complex fluorine salts; chlorides, chloride oxides and chloride hydroxides, bromides and bromide oxides, and iodides and iodide oxides; chlorates and perchlorates, bromates and perbromates, and iodates and periodates; sulfides and polysulfides; sulfates, alums, and peroxosulfates; phosphinates, phosphonates, phosphates, and polyphosphates; carbonates, peroxocarbonates, and commercial ammonium carbonate containing ammonium carbamate; cyanides, cyanide oxides and complex cyanides; fulminates, cyanates and thiocyanates; other inorganic compounds, liquid air, compressed air, and amalgams; cyclic hydrocarbons; halogenated derivatives of hydrocarbons; derivatives of hydrocarbons; acyclic alcohols and derivatives; cyclic alcohols and derivatives; phenols and phenol-alcohols, and their derivatives; ethers, ether-alcohols, ether-phenols, ether-alcohol-phenols, alcohol peroxides, ether peroxides, ketone peroxides, and their derivatives; epoxides, epoxyalcohols, epoxyphenols and epoxyethers, and their derivatives; acetals and hemiacetals and their derivatives; aldehydes, cyclic polymers of aldehydes, and paraformaldehyde; derivatives of products of HTS heading 2912; ketone function compounds and quinone function compounds; saturated acyclic monocarboxylic acids and derivatives; unsaturated acyclic monocarboxylic acids and derivatives; polycarboxylic acids and derivatives; carboxylic acids and derivatives; phosphoric esters, salts, and derivatives; esters of other inorganic salts, and their salts and derivatives; amine function compounds; oxygen-function amino-compounds; quaternary ammonium salts and hydroxides, lecithins, and