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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Permits for Incidental Taking of Endangered or Threatened Species.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0230.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 1,048.

Number of Respondents: 13.

Average Hours Per Response: 44 hours.

Needs and Uses: The Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits the taking of endangered species. Section 10 of the ESA allows for certain exceptions to the prohibitions, such as taking that is incidental to an otherwise lawful activity. The corresponding regulations provide application and reporting requirements for such exceptions. The required information is used to evaluate the proposed activity (application) and ongoing activities (reports) and is necessary for National Marine Fisheries Service to ensure the conservation of the species under the ESA.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations; not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk

Officer, FAX number (202) 395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

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Census Bureau

**Census Coverage Measurement
Person Interview and Person Interview
Reinterview Operations**

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 22, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at DHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Magdalena Ramos, U.S. Census Bureau, Building 2, Room 2126, Washington, DC 20233-9200, 301-763-4295.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

In preparation for the 2010 Census, the U.S. Census Bureau will conduct a Census Coverage Measurement (CCM) test as part of the 2006 Census Test. The purpose of the 2006 CCM test is not to evaluate the coverage of the 2006 Census Test per se, but rather to test ways of improving previous coverage measurement methods. In particular, the focus of the 2006 CCM test is to test improved matching operations and data collection efforts designed to obtain more accurate information about where a person should have been enumerated according to our residence rules.

This focus is motivated by: (1) Problems encountered with coverage

measurement in 2000 in determining a person's residence (relative to our residence rules), (2) the significant number of duplicate enumerations in Census 2000, and (3) expanded goals for coverage measurement in 2010. The latter refers to our objective of producing-for the first time—separate estimates of coverage error components—omissions (missed persons) and erroneous inclusions (including duplicates). The data collection and matching methodologies for previous coverage measurement programs were designed only to measure net coverage error, which reflects the difference between omissions and erroneous inclusions (see Definition of Terms). In order to produce separate estimates of these coverage error components, we need to develop and test changes to our data collection and matching methods. In particular, the CCM efforts will focus on ways to obtain better information about addresses where people should have, and could have, been enumerated during the census.

An additional objective for the 2006 Census Test is to determine if we can conduct coverage measurement interviews before all census data collection is complete, and do so without contaminating the census and adversely affecting coverage measurement. This has a minuscule effect on the census, but a more serious effect on coverage measurement. There are several operational and data quality advantages of conducting coverage measurement interviews as close to census day as possible, but we don't want to do this if it will seriously affect measurement of coverage error.

II. Method of Collection

The 2006 CCM operations will use a sample of approximately 5,000 housing units in selected census tracts in Travis County, Texas; and 500 housing units on the Cheyenne River Reservation in South Dakota. The first operation of the CCM will be the Person Interview (PI) operation. After data collected from the CCM PI is matched to data collected by the 2006 Census Test, certain cases will be sent for another CCM interview called the Person Followup Interview. A separate **Federal Register** Notice will be issued later for that operation.

The CCM PI operation will collect the information listed below only for persons in housing units. We are not studying coverage measurement for other types of living quarters (for example, group quarters) in the 2006 Census Test.

1. Census Day (April 1, 2006) residence (relative to our residence rules).