

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****GENERAL SERVICES  
ADMINISTRATION****NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND  
SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0077]

**Federal Acquisition Regulation;  
Submission for OMB Review; Quality  
Assurance Requirements**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of reinstatement request for an information collection requirement regarding an existing OMB clearance.

**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 quality assurance requirements. A request for public comments was published at 74 FR 32166 on July 7, 2009. 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 comments on or before October 14, 2009.

**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, Regulatory Secretariat (VPR), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4041, Washington, DC 20405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeritta Parnell, Contract Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-4082 or e-mail [jeritta.parnell@gsa.gov](mailto:jeritta.parnell@gsa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****A. Purpose**

Supplies and services acquired under Government contracts must conform to the contract's quality and quantity requirements. FAR Part 46 prescribes inspection, acceptance, warranty, and other measures associated with quality requirements. Standard clauses related to inspection require the contractor to provide and maintain an inspection system that is acceptable to the Government; give the Government the right to make inspections and test while work is in process; and require the contractor to keep complete, and make available to the Government, records of its inspection work.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

*Respondents:* 850.  
*Responses per Respondent:* 1.  
*Total Responses:* 850.  
*Hours per Response:* .25.  
*Total Burden Hours:* 213.

**C. Annual Recordkeeping Burden**

*Recordkeepers:* 52,254.  
*Hours per Recordkeeper:* .68.  
*Total Burden Hours:* 35,533.  
*Total Annual Burden:* 213 + 35,533 = 35,746.

*Obtaining Copies of Proposals:* Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (VPR), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4041, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0077, Quality Assurance Requirements, in all correspondence.

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*Director, Acquisition Policy Division.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****GENERAL SERVICES  
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[OMB Control No. 9000-0045]

**Federal Acquisition Regulation;  
Submission for OMB Review; Bid  
Guarantees, Performance and Payment  
Bonds, and Alternative Payment  
Protections**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of reinstatement request for an information collection requirement regarding an existing OMB clearance.

**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 previously approved information collection requirement concerning bid guarantees, performance and payment bonds, and alternative payment protections. A request for public comments was published at 74 FR 27024, June 5, 2009. 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.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William Clark, Procurement Analyst, GSA (202) 219-1813 or email [William.clark@gsa.gov](mailto:William.clark@gsa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****A. Purpose**

These regulations implement the statutory requirements of the Miller Act (40 U.S.C. 3131 to 3134), which requires performance and payment bonds for any construction contract exceeding \$100,000, unless it is impracticable to require bonds for work performed in a foreign country, or it is otherwise authorized by law. In addition, the regulations implement the note to 40 U.S.C. 3132, entitled "Alternatives to Payment Bonds Provided by the Federal