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There is no public comment period scheduled during this teleconference meeting. Persons interested in providing feedback on the Panel report entitled *Content Model and Classification Recommendations for the Social Security Administration Occupational Information System (September 2009)* may do so no later than February 15, 2010 by mail, fax or e-mail to the staff. Please include your complete contact information (full name, mailing and e-mail address) with the submission.

Contact Information: For information about the Panel, please contact the staff:

By mail to: Occupational Information Development Advisory Panel, Social Security Administration, Operations Building, 3-E-26, Baltimore, MD 21235.

By fax to: (410) 597-0825

By e-mail to: OIDAP@ssa.gov.

Dated: November 13, 2009.

Debra Tidwell-Peters,

Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 6814]

Notice of Intent To Renew the Charter of the Department of State's Advisory Committee on Private International Law

The Department of State intends to renew the Charter of the Advisory Committee on Private International Law established under Title 22 of the United States Code. Through the Committee, the Department of State obtains the views of the public with respect to significant private international law issues that arise in international organizations of which the United States is a Member State, in international bodies in whose work the United States has an interest, or in the foreign relations of the United States.

The Committee is comprised of representatives from other government agencies, representatives of national organizations, and experts and professionals active in the field of private international law.

Comments should be sent to Harold Burman, Executive Director, Advisory Committee on Private International Law at 202-776-8420 or

BurmanHS@state.gov and to Patricia Smeltzer, 202-776-8423 or SmeltzerTK@state.gov. Copies of the

draft Charter may be obtained by contacting Ms. Smeltzer.

Dated: November 12, 2009.

Keith Loken,

Assistant Legal Adviser, Office of Private International Law, Office of the Legal Adviser, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

[Docket Number—DOT—OST—2009—0294]

Request for OMB Clearance of an Information Collection Renewal

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Secretary, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), invites public comments regarding the Department of Transportation's intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The collection is in regard to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Bonding Assistance Reimbursable Fee Program (DBE ARRA BAP) application form. The continuation of the collection is necessary to determine the applicant's eligibility and approve or deny a bond fee reimbursement. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by January 17, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may submit a comment by utilizing the DMS identifier number, DOT-OST-2009-0294 through one of the following methods:

Web site: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the DOT electronic docket site.

Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

Mail: Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-001.

Hand Delivery: Room W12-140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Instructions: All comments must include the agency name and DMS Docket Number DOT-OST-2009-0294.

Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. You should know that anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.) You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on <http://www.regulations.gov>. The comments you provide to a Federal Department or Agency through www.regulations.gov are collected voluntarily and may be publicly disclosed in a rulemaking docket or on the Internet.

Instructions: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time or to Room W12-140 on the ground level of the West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Wednesdays and Federal holidays.

If you wish to receive confirmation of receipt of your written comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with the following statement: "Comments on Docket DOT-OST-2009-0294." The Docket Clerk will date stamp the postcard prior to returning it to you via the U.S. mail. Please note that due to delays in the delivery of U.S. mail to Federal offices in Washington, DC, we recommend that persons consider an alternative method (Internet, fax, or professional delivery service) to submit comments to the docket and ensure their timely receipt at U.S. DOT.

Comments: We particularly request your comments on the accuracy of the estimated burden; ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and ways to minimize the collection burden without reducing the quality of the information collected including additional use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Strine, Manager, Financial Assistance Division, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W56-448, Washington, DC 20590. Phone number 202-366-1930, fax number 202-366-1930. Office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Estimate of burden hours for information requested:

Respondents: Certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) that are pursuing, in the process, or have obtained contracts on ARRA transportation infrastructure projects. US DOT/OSDBU spoke to the SBA Surety Bond Guarantee Program personnel and a representative of the Surety and Fidelity Association of America (SFAA) who represents the small and emerging businesses to obtain the required estimates. The average bond for a small and emerging business or DBE is between \$250,000 and \$500,000. To calculate the universe US DOT/OSDBU can serve, an average bond is estimated to be \$350,000. The Bonding Premium Fee charged by the Sureties is a range of 2 to 3% of the total bond, so using an average premium of 2.5% on a \$350,000 bond the DBE would pay \$8,750. The SBA Surety Guarantee Bond Program Principal Fee is currently set to .729% of the contract price, or bond amount. For a \$350,000 bond, the SBA principal fee is \$2,551. The average amount of financial assistance is \$11,300.00 per DBE on one application, submittal to include both eligible fees. Using these estimates, the number of DBEs that US DOT/OSDBU can assist with \$20 million is approximately 1,770.

Form: U.S. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 Bonding Assistance Reimbursable Fee Program DOT Form F4504.

Respondents: 1770.

Frequency: Once.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 2 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 3540 hours.

OMB Approval No.: OMB Control Number: 2105-0562.

Title: U.S Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 Bonding Assistance Reimbursable Fee Program DOT Form F4504

Type of Review: Renewal.

1. *Needs and Uses:* The information collected will be from a DBE working on a transportation infrastructure ARRA funded project. Under the DBE ARRA BAP program, DBEs performing on transportation and infrastructure projects receiving ARRA funding assistance from any DOT mode of transportation such as Federal Highway Administration, (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Maritime Administration (MARAD) will receive financial bonding assistance in the form of bonding fee cost reimbursement. This provision is applicable to a subcontract or prime contract at any tier in the construction project. Under this program DOT will directly reimburse DBEs the premiums paid to the surety company for performance, payment or bid/proposal bonds. The range of the premium fee is between 1-3% of the total bond amount. In the event the DBE also obtains a bond guarantee from Small Business Administration's (SBA) Surety Bond Guarantee Program (SBGP), the DOT will also reimburse the DBE for the small business concern (principal) fee of .729% of the contract price. The information collected will be used by DOT OSDBU to verify eligibility,

including whether the applicant is a current certified DBE.

2. *Burden Statement:* This collection is for DBEs working on transportation infrastructure ARRA funded projects. DBEs are small businesses. Efforts have been made to simplify the application form, keeping it to one page with three page instructions to assist the DBE to submit a complete application package to expedite reimbursement and minimize burden. In addition a sample letter to show how to indicate the Federal project number is included. Applicants will be able to find further guidance at <http://www.dot.gov/recovery/ost/>. A coordinated effort has been made with the DOT Operating Administrations to minimize duplicative reporting. OSDBU's intent is to give this subsidy reimbursement fee to the DBEs trying to obtain surety bonding to assist DBEs to become more competitive and perform on more transportation infrastructure projects receiving ARRA funding assistance from any DOT mode of transportation and minimize cash flow difficulties. Every applicant we have spoken to since August 28, 2009 (program launch date) has told us the application is self-explanatory and they have not had any difficulties in filling it out or understanding the content and requirements.

Issued in Washington, DC on November 13, 2009.

Brandon Neal,

Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation.

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U.S. Department of Transportation
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise American Reinvestment and Recovery Act
of 2009 Bonding Assistance Reimbursable Fee Program

OMB Control Number: 2105-0562
 Expiration Date: 02/21/2010
 Form DOT F4504

Application For Reimbursement of Bond Fees

Public Burden Statement

A federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act unless that collection of information displays a current valid OMB Control Number. The OMB Control Number for this information collection is 2105-0562. Public reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average approximately 120 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. All responses to this collection of information are mandatory. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Transportation, Office Of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE, Washington, D.C. 20590

1. Full Legal Name of Company:		2. TIN (Federal Tax ID No):
3. Full Street Address of Primary Business Location:	4. Dun & Bradstreet (DUNS) #:	Registered in Central Contractor Registration (ccr.gov) with Bank Information: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes

PART B – BOND INFORMATION

6. Bond Information (One Bond Per Application)

a. Surety Bond Number: _____ Date of Issue: _____

b. Name of Surety Company: _____

c. Type of Bond: Performance Payment Bid/Proposal

d. Bond Amount: _____ Total Bond Fees _____

Enclose a copy of your bond, invoice(s) for premium(s)/fee(s), and proof of payment with your application

PART C – TRANSPORTATION-RELATED CONTRACT BEING BONDED

7. Transportation-related Contract Information

a. Contract Awardee (Agency/Prime/Subcontractor): _____

b. Contract Number: _____

c. Federal Project No. and Name on Contract: _____

d. Contract Amount: _____

e. Contract Start Date: _____ Estimated Completion Date: _____

Enclose documentation from the federal, state or local transportation authority indicating the federal project number and a copy of the contract for which you are receiving the bond with your application

PART D – DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) CERTIFICATION

8. DBE Certification

The definition of a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, which includes woman-owned businesses and minority-owned businesses, are set forth in 49 Code of Federal Regulations Part 26.

The applicant, _____ certifies that it is a DBE and that the contract bonded is a transportation-related contract receiving funding pursuant to the ARRA.

a. Name of Agency which Certified your Business as a DBE: _____

b. State: _____ Certification Expiration/Renewal Date: _____ Current Annual Affidavit Date: _____

Enclose a copy of your certification and your annual affidavit, if applicable, with your application

PART E – SIGNATURES AND CONTACT INFORMATION

By signing this application, the DBE certifies: the DBE has not sought reimbursement for the bond fee(s) related to this bond from a third party; will not seek reimbursement from a third party in the event the DBE receives reimbursement from the U.S. Department of Transportation; and provides consent for the U.S. DOT to contact the agency/prime/subcontractor to confirm non-reimbursement of the bond fee(s).

Signature of Applicant:

Name: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

Type or Print Name: _____ Phone #: _____ Email: _____

PART F – FOR GOVERNMENT USE ONLY

OSDBU Approval for Bonding Fee Reimbursement:

Name: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____



U.S. Department of Transportation
 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 Bonding Assistance
 Reimbursable Fee Program

Instructions for Application For Reimbursement of Bond Fees

General Instructions

Purpose of Form

Use form Application for Reimbursement of Surety Bond Fees, OMB Control Number 2105-0562, to apply for reimbursement of the Contractor Fee paid to the surety company and if applicable, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) in return for a surety bond.

Who is Eligible for the Reimbursement?

To be eligible, you must:

- Be A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), which includes woman-owned businesses and minority-owned businesses, certified under 49 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 26.
- Have obtained a performance, payment, or bid/proposal surety bond during the period August 28, 2009 and September 8, 2010 for a contract for a transportation project receiving American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 funding from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).
- Have paid a surety premium to the surety company and if applicable, a small business concern (principal) fee to SBA
- Have a Dun & Bradstreet Number (DUNS#) and have registered your DUNS# with Central Contractor Registration (CCR) at www.ccr.gov. Your bank information must be completed in your profile on ccr.gov to receive payment.

How do I Obtain More Information?

You can contact the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization for further information:

Email. bap.ara@dot.gov .

Voice. 1-800-532-1189 or 202-366-1930. A long-distance charge to callers located outside of the local calling area will apply when calling the 202-366-1930 number.

Internet Guidance. <http://www.dot.gov/recovery/jost>

How to Apply

You can apply for reimbursement by email or by mail. Use only one method per application. Applications must be **received** on or before September 8, 2010. Regardless, the applicant is advised to request delivery confirmation for mail submissions or return receipt for email submissions. Awards will be made in the order of application receipt until funding is fully expended or the program closes on September 8, 2010. In the event funding is fully expended prior to September 8, 2010, OSDBU will cease to accept new applications.

Applications submitted by mail may be delayed due to mail screening security requirements. For faster reimbursement, submit your application electronically by email.

Email. Scan your signed application and all supporting documentation to a .pdf document and email to bap.ara@dot.gov .

Mail. Mail your signed application and all supporting documentation to the following address:
 U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)
 Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU)
 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE, W56-448
 Washington, DC 20590

How to assemble your application

Submitted Applications must contain in the following order:

- A completed and signed application
- A copy of the bond
- A copy of the contract
- DBE certification letter from the DBE certification office in their state and a current annual affidavit. A current annual affidavit is not required in the event the DBE is certified less than one (1) year.
- Whether the DBE is a prime contractor or a subcontractor, a letter from the federal, state or local transportation authority, on their letterhead, indicating the DBE is a contractor and the federal project number. In the event the DBE is already in possession of other documentation from the federal, state or local transportation authority indicating the federal project number, that documentation may be submitted in lieu of the letter.
- A copy of their invoice(s) from the surety company and if applicable, SBA and cancelled checks or other proof of payment of the bond fees in support of the total amount claimed for reimbursement.
- Certificate Regarding Lobbying in compliance with 49 CFR Part 20
- Certification stating that the DBE will comply with the requirements of subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (Federal wage rate requirements), as required by the Recovery Act.
- Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension in compliance with 29 CFR Part 98



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 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 Bonding Assistance
 Reimbursable Fee Program

Instructions for Application For Reimbursement of Bond Fees

Specific Instructions

Print or type all entries on the Application for Reimbursement of Surety Bond Fees, OMB Control Number 2105-0582. The application is an electronically fillable application form. We strongly suggest applicants utilize the electronically fillable form to complete the application entries. Illegible applications will delay processing time. Follow the instructions for each line to expedite processing and to avoid unnecessary requests for additional information.

Line 1. Full Legal Name of Company applying for reimbursement. Enter the company name as it appears on the legal document creating it.

Line 2. TIN (Federal Tax ID No). Enter your Employer Identification Number (EIN) exactly as it appears on the document provided by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

Line 3. Full Street Address of Primary Business Location. Enter the mailing address for the entity's primary physical location. Do not enter a P.O. Box here.

Line 4. Dun & Bradstreet (DUNS#). Enter your company's DUNS# exactly as it appears on the document provided by Dun & Bradstreet. If you are not registered, you can register online at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform>.

Line 5. Registered in Central Contractor Registration (ccr.gov) with Bank Information. Check "Yes" to indicate that you: 1) have a DUNS #; 2) have registered your DUNS# at www.ccr.gov; and 3) and you have populated your financial information for electronic payment (bank information) in your profile on ccr.gov. Instructions may be found in on-line help at www.ccr.gov.

Line 6a. Surety Bond Number and Date of Issue. Enter the Surety's bond number exactly as it appears on your Surety Bond. Enter the date of issue on your Surety Bond. A separate application must be submitted for each bond for which the applicant is seeking reimbursement of the bond premiums and fees paid by the applicant.

Line 6b. Name of Surety Company. Enter the name of the surety company exactly as it appears on your Surety Bond.

Line 6c. Type of Bond. Check the type of bond that corresponds to the type of bond denoted on your Surety Bond. Only premiums and fees for performance, payment, or bid/proposal bonds are eligible for reimbursement.

Line 6d. Bond Amount, Bond Number and Bond Fee(s). Enter the bond amount exactly as it appears on your Surety Bond. Enter the sum total of the bond fee(s) exactly as they appear on your cancelled check(s) or other form of proof of payment. You must add together all of the premium(s) and fee(s) you paid for the bond and place the total amount for which you are seeking reimbursement in this field.

Enclose a copy of your bond and your cancelled check(s), or other proof of payment documentation, with your application

Line 7a. Contract Awardee (Agency/Prime/Subcontractor). Enter the contract awardee exactly as it appears on your contract. Your contract awardee may be a federal, state or local agency, a prime contractor, or another subcontractor.
Line 7b. Contract Number. Enter the contract number exactly as it appears on your contract.

Enclose a copy of the contract that was bonded.

Line 7c. Federal Project No. on Contract. Enter the federal project number exactly as it appears on the letter from the federal, state or local transportation authority or other documentation provided by the federal, state or local transportation authority indicating the federal project number.

Enclose a letter from the federal, state or local transportation authority indicating the federal project number or other documentation indicating the federal project number provided by the federal, state or local transportation authority with your application.

Line 7d. Contract Amount. Enter the contract amount exactly as it appears on your contract.

Line 7e. Contract Start Date and Estimated Completion Date. Enter the period of performance /contract start date and contract completion date exactly as it appears on your contract.

Line 8. DBE Certification. Enter the applicant name exactly as it appears on the legal document creating it.
Line 8a. Name of DBE Certifying Agency. Enter the name of the agency granting your DBE certification exactly as it appears on the document informing your company that it has been certified as a DBE.

Line 8b. State, Certification Expiration/Renewal Date and Affidavit Date. Enter the state of certification and the certification expiration date exactly as it appears on your document granting DBE certification. If applicable, enter the date of your annual affidavit exactly as it appears on the document. A current annual affidavit is not required in the event the DBE is certified less than one (1) year.

Enclose a copy of your certification and your affidavit, if applicable, with your application

Sign and date the application. Print your name, title and contact information. You will not receive email confirmation of receipt unless an email address is provided on your application.



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Disadvantaged Business Enterprise American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 Bonding Assistance
Reimbursable Fee Program

Instructions for Application For Reimbursement of Bond Fees

Enclose the following certifications with your application:

- Certificate Regarding Lobbying in compliance with 49 CFR Part 20
- Certification stating that the DBE will comply with the requirements of subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code (Federal wage rate requirements), as required by the Recovery Act.
- Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension in compliance with 29 CFR Part 98



U.S. Department of Transportation
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 Bonding Assistance Reimbursable Fee Program

Sample Letter From the Federal, State or Local Transportation Authority Indicating the Federal Project Number

STATE OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY LETTERHEAD

Today's Date

(contact information of individual writing the letter)

Name
Address
City, State, Zip
Telephone number

DOT/OSDBU
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE.
Suite W56-497
Washington, DC 20590

Attn: DBE ARRA BAP

Dear DOT/OSDBU:

[Insert name of DBE] is a [insert prime contractor or subcontractor] providing services on federal project [insert federal project number and name] receiving funding pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

I certify that the information presented in this letter is true and correct.

Sincerely,

Signature (of individual writing the letter)

Printed Name
Job Title or Position

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed the Week Ending October 31, 2009

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under the Sections 412 and 414 of the Federal Aviation Act, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1383 and 1384) and procedures governing proceedings to enforce these provisions. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the application.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2009-0270.

Date Filed: October 26, 2009.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Middle East-South East Asia Expedited, Resolution 002am and Specified Fares Tables (Memo

0422). Intended effective date: 1 January 2010.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2009-0271.

Date Filed: October 26, 2009.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Middle East-Japan, Korea Expedited, Resolutions and Specified Fares Tables (Memo 0424). Intended effective date: 1 December 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2009-0272.

Date Filed: October 26, 2009.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Africa-Japan, Korea Expedited Resolution 002aj and Specified Fares Tables (Memo 0418). Intended effective date: 1 December 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2009-0273.

Date Filed: October 26, 2009.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Africa-South East Asia Expedited Resolution 002ao

(Memo 0421). Intended effective date: 1 December 2009.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2009-0274.

Date Filed: October 26, 2009.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Africa-South East Asia Expedited, Resolution 002ap and Specified Fares Tables (Memo 0422). Intended effective date: 1 January 2010.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2009-0275.

Date Filed: October 26, 2009.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: TC23/123 Africa-Japan, Korea Expedited, Resolutions and Specified Fares Tables (Memo 0419). Intended effective date: 15 January 2010.

Renee V. Wright,

Program Manager, Docket Operations, Federal Register Liaison.

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