DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[OMB Control Number 0704–0398]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Part 211, Describing Agency Needs

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 33), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection requirement for use through December 31, 2010. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for these collections to expire three years after the approval date.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by June 21, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0704–0398, using any of the following methods:


○ E-mail: dfars@acq.osd.mil. Include OMB Control Number 0704–0398 in the subject line of the message.

○ Fax: 703–602–0350.


○ Comments received generally will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 211, Describing Agency Needs, and the associated clauses at DFARS 252.211–7004, Alternate Preservation, Packaging, and Packing; and 252.211–7005, Substitutions for Military or Federal Specifications and Standards; OMB Control Number 0704–0398.

Information collection requirements and approvals for the clause at DFARS 252.211–7004, Radio Frequency Identification, are addressed separately under Control Number 0704–0434. Information collection requirements and approvals for the clause at DFARS 252.211–7007, Reporting of Government-Furnished Equipment in the DoD Item Unique Identification (IUID) Registry, are addressed separately under Control Number 0704–0246.

Needs and Uses: This information collection permits offerors to—

• Propose alternatives to military preservation, packaging, or packing specifications. DoD uses the information to evaluate and award contracts using commercial or industrial preservation, packaging, or packing if the offeror chooses to propose such alternates.

• Propose Single Process Initiative (SPI) processes as alternatives to military or Federal specifications and standards cited in DoD solicitations for previously developed items. DoD uses the information to verify Government acceptance of an SPI process as a valid replacement for a military or Federal specification or standard.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,326.

Number of Respondents: 675.

Number of Respondents: 1,763.

Average Burden per Response: approximately 1 ½ hours.

Frequency: On occasion.

Summary of Information Collection

DFARS Part 211 and the clauses at DFARS 252.211–7004 and 252.211–7005 are required for DoD contractors and subcontractors to propose—

(a) Alternatives to military preservation, packaging, or packing specifications; and/or

(b) Single Process Initiative (SPI) processes in lieu of military or Federal specifications.

The provision at DFARS 252.211–7004, Alternate Preservation, Packaging, and Packing, is used in solicitations that include military preservation, packaging, or packing specifications when it may be feasible for DoD to evaluate and award using commercial or industrial preservation, packaging, or packing. If the offeror chooses to propose alternate preservation, packaging, or packing, the provision requires the offeror to submit information sufficient to allow evaluation of the proposed commercial or industrial preservation, packaging, or packing.

The clause at DFARS 252.211–7005, Substitutions for Military or Federal Specifications and Standards, is used in solicitations and contracts for previously developed items. The clause encourages offerors to propose management or manufacturing processes, if previously accepted by DoD under the Single Process Initiative (SPI) program, as alternatives to military or Federal specifications and standards cited in the solicitation.

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[OMB Control Number 0704–0332]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.
SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection for use through July 31, 2010. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for three additional years.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by June 21, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by OMB Control Number 0704–0332, using any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
• E-mail: dfars@acq.osd.mil. Include OMB Control Number 0704–0332 in the subject line of the message.
• Fax: (703) 602–0350.

• Comments received generally will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Appendix I, DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program; OMB Control Number 0704–0332.

Needs and Uses: DoD needs this information to evaluate whether the purposes of the DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program have been met. The purposes of the Program are to (1) provide incentives to major DoD contractors to assist protege firms in enhancing their capabilities to satisfy contract and subcontract requirements; (2) increase the overall participation of protege firms as subcontractors and suppliers; and (3) foster the establishment of long-term business relationships between protege firms and major DoD contractors. This Program implements section 831 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101–510) and section 811 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106–65) (10 U.S.C. 2302 note). Participation in the Program is voluntary.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Annual Burden Hours: 961.

Number of Respondents: 190.

Responses Per Respondent: Approximately 2.

Annual Responses: 372.

Average Burden Per Response: 1 hour.

Total Recordkeeping Hours: 589

Frequency: Semiannually (mentor); Annually (protege).

Summary of Information Collection

DFARS Appendix I–112.2(a)–(d) requires mentor firms to report on the progress made under active mentor-protege agreements semiannually for the periods ending March 31 and September 30. The September 30 report must address the entire fiscal year. Reports must include—

(1) Data on performance under the mentor-protege agreement, including dollars obligated, expenditures, credit taken under the Program, applicable subcontract awards under DoD contracts, developmental assistance provided, impact of the agreement, and progress of the agreement; and

(2) For each contract where developmental assistance was credited toward an SDB subcontracting goal, a copy of SF 294, Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts (ISR), and/or SF 295, Summary Subcontracting Report (SSR) with a statement identifying—

(i) The amount of dollars credited to the applicable subcontracting goal as a result of developmental assistance provided to protege firms under the Program; and

(ii) The number and dollar value of subcontracts awarded to the protege firm which, broken out per protege.

DFARS Appendix I–112.2(e) requires the protege firm to annually provide data by October 31 on the progress made by the protege firm in employment, revenues, and participation in DoD contracts during each fiscal year of the Program participation term and each of the two fiscal years following the expiration of the Program participation term. During the Program participation term, the firms may provide this data as part of the mentor report required by I–112.2(a) for the period ending September 30.

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Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement on Beach and Dune Restoration in St. Lucie County, FL

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of Intent (NOI).

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Jacksonville District, has received a permit application for a Department of the Army permit under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act from the St. Lucie County Erosion Control District (County) to construct a beach nourishment and dune restoration project along St. Lucie County. As part of the permit process, the Corps is evaluating the environmental effects associated with beach nourishment and dune restoration. The primary Federal involvement associated with the Proposed Action is the dredging and discharge of fill within navigable waters of the United States. Because of the extensive hardbottom resources immediately adjacent to the beach, the high recreational uses of the project area, and the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project, the Corps will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to render a final decision on the County’s permit application. The Corps’ decision will be to either issue or deny a Department of the Army permit for the Proposed Action. The Draft EIS (DEIS) is intended to be sufficient in scope to address Federal, State, and local requirements and environmental issues.