defense and defense allocations. Those industries include: Small Arms and Ordnance; Communications Equipment; Search and Navigation Equipment; Aircraft; Aircraft Engine and Parts; Missile, Space Vehicle, and Parts Manufacturing Defense; and Ship and Boat Building.

There is a clear need to perform a periodic benchmark of the M3 estimates to reflect the manufacturing universe levels. The Annual Survey of Manufactures (ASM) provides annual benchmarks for the shipments and inventory data for the M3 survey, however, the ASM does not distinguish between non-defense and defense activities. The U.S. Census Bureau plans a reinstatement to an expired collection "Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders to the Department of Defense Supplement: 2006–2007," (M–3DOD) to be renamed "Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders Benchmark Supplement" (MA–3001). This form will be cognitive tested before being mailed out in 2011, which may include a title change. After analyzing the results of the 2008 survey, the Census Bureau ascertained the need for an annual data collection for non-defense and defense manufacturing activities. The last collection instrument used to benchmark defense and non-defense data before the "Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders to the Department of Defense Supplement: 2006–2007" was the Shipments to Federal Agencies Benchmark Survey (MA–9675) conducted in 1992.

The "Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders Benchmark Supplement" will be used as a benchmark for the M3 Survey each year. The Census Bureau will use these data to develop an accurate defense/non-defense split among the 13 industry categories in the M3 Survey.

II. Method of Collection

To ease respondent burden, we permit companies to submit their data through an Internet Reporting System or by fax. Companies will be asked to respond to the survey within 30 days of receipt. Letters encouraging participation will be mailed to companies that have not responded by the designated time. Telephone follow-up will be conducted to obtain response from delinquent companies.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0607–0949.

Form Number: MA–3001.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,000.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,000.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: $64,840.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13, U.S.C., Sections 131 and 182.

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: September 10, 2010.

Glenna Mickelson,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Broadband Technology Opportunities Program Post-Award Quarterly and Annual Performance Progress Reports

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

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.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before November 15, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 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 instruments and instructions should be directed to Anthony Wilhelm, Deputy Associate Administrator, Infrastructure Division, Office of Telecommunications and Information Applications, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, via the Internet at *btop@ntia.doc.gov* or by telephone at (202) 482–2048.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) establishes and provides $4.7 billion for the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) and directs that these funds be awarded by September 30, 2010. Of these funds, at least $200 million will be made available for competitive grants to expand public computer center capacity; at least $250 million will be made available for competitive grants for innovative programs to encourage sustainable adoption of broadband service; and up to $350 million will be made available to fund the State Broadband Data and Development Grant Program (Broadband Mapping Program) authorized by the Broadband Data Improvement Act. The Broadband Mapping Program is designed to support the development and maintenance of a nationwide broadband map for use by policymakers and consumers.

The Office of Management and Budget requires agencies administrating grant programs to implement post-award financial and performance reporting for those programs. The Department of Commerce Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants authorizes NTIA to require performance reports from BTOP grant recipients.

A general description of the performance reporting requirements for recipients of BTOP grants was included in the Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) published on July 9, 2009 for the first round of funding and in the NOFA published on January 26, 2010, for the second round of funding.

The quarterly performance reports, submitted at the end of each quarter of the year, ask a series of questions that broadly address project progress and monitoring needs of program personnel by getting baseline (planned) and actual information on quarterly and cumulative project and milestone progress, and potential project barriers, if any.

The annual performance reports, submitted at the end of each Federal fiscal year, ask a series of questions that broadly address BTOP programmatic objectives and outcomes, NOFA requirements, and the information needs of external audiences, such as OMB. This includes information on:

• Broadband Infrastructure and CCI—Subscribers passed and served, improved vs. new access for subscribers, pricing plans and broadband speeds available to subscribers, and community anchor institutions served.

• PCC—Hours of operation, speed of broadband service, average number of users per week, training provided, equipment deployed, workstations available.

• SBA—Awareness campaigns, training provided, equipment deployed, broadband subscription rates.

II. Method of Collection

NTIA will collect the information from BTOP grant recipients through post-award quarterly and annual performance progress reports.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0660–0037.

Title: Broadband Technology Opportunities Program Post-Award Quarterly and Annual Performance Progress Reporting Requirements.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (extension of a currently approved information collection).

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit organizations; not-for-profit institutions; and State, local, and Tribal government organizations.

Burden

Infrastructure and Comprehensive Community Infrastructure Reports (Annually)

Number of Respondents: 150.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 5.

Estimated Number of Responses: 750.

Average Burden Hours per Response: 4.66.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,498.

Public Computer Center Reports (Annually)

Number of Respondents: 75.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 5.

Estimated Number of Responses: 375.

Average Burden Hours per Response: 4.07.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,527.

Sustainable Broadband Adoption Application Reports (Annually)

Number of Respondents: 75.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 5.

Estimated Number of Responses: 375.

Average Burden Hours per Response: 3.76.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,411.5.

Need and Uses: NTIA needs to collect performance progress information specific to Infrastructure and Comprehensive Community Infrastructure (CCI), Public Computer Center (PCC), and Sustainable Broadband Adoption (SBA) grant recipients in order to effectively monitor, manage and evaluate individual projects and the overall success of the program in achieving statutory goals and objectives.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the 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 proposed revision of a currently approved collection of information. They will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 9, 2010.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economics and Statistics Administration

Establishment of the Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee and Intention To Recruit New Members

AGENCY: Economics and Statistics Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of the Establishment of the Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee and Intention to Recruit New Members.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Commerce is announcing the establishment of and intention to recruit new members of a Federal Advisory Committee. In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and the General Services Administration rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, 41 CFR part 101–6.1001, the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the establishment of the Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee (the "Committee') within the Economics and Statistics Administration (ESA), is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department by law.

The Committee will advise the Directors of ESA's two statistical agencies, the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) and the U.S. Census Bureau (Census), and the Commissioner of the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of Federal economic statistics.

The Committee will function solely as an advisory committee to the senior officials of BEA, Census and BLS (the Agencies) in consultation with the Committee chairperson. Important aspects of the Committee's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

a. Recommending research to address important technical problems arising in Federal economic statistics.

b. Identifying areas in which better coordination of the Agencies' activities would be beneficial.

c. Establishing relationships with professional associations with an interest in Federal economic statistics.

d. Coordinating, in its identification of agenda items, with other existing academic advisory committees chartered to provide agency-specific advice, for the purpose of avoiding duplication of effort.