

ACTION: Nominations.

SUMMARY: NMFS is soliciting nominations to the Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) as established by the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act of 1975 (ATCA). NMFS is also soliciting nominations for technical advisors to the Advisory Committee's species working groups.

DATES: Nominations must be received by October 15, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Nominations to the Advisory Committee or for technical advisors to a species working group should be sent to Ms. Rachel O'Malley, Office of International Affairs, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Room 9540, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. A copy should also be sent to Keith Cialino, Office of International Affairs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Room 12641, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Nominations can also be provided via fax (301-713-2313) or e-mail (Rachel.O'Malley@noaa.gov and Keith.Cialino@noaa.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Keith Cialino, 301-713-9090.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 971b of ATCA (16 U.S.C. 971 *et seq.*) requires that an advisory committee be established that shall be composed of: (1) Not less than five nor more than 20 individuals appointed by the U.S. Commissioners to ICCAT who shall select such individuals from the various groups concerned with the fisheries covered by the ICCAT Convention; and (2) the chairs (or their designees) of the New England, Mid-Atlantic, South Atlantic, Caribbean, and Gulf Fishery Management Councils. Each member of the Advisory Committee appointed under paragraph (1) shall serve for a term of 2 years and shall be eligible for reappointment. Members of the Advisory Committee may attend all public meetings of the ICCAT Commission, Council, or any Panel and any other meetings to which they are invited by the ICCAT Commission, Council, or any Panel. The Advisory Committee shall be invited to attend all nonexecutive meetings of the U.S. Commissioners to ICCAT and, at such meetings, shall be given the opportunity to examine and be heard on all proposed programs of investigation, reports, recommendations, and regulations of the ICCAT Commission. Members of the Advisory Committee shall receive no compensation for such services. The Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of State may pay the

necessary travel expenses of members of the Advisory Committee. There are currently 19 appointed Advisory Committee members. The terms of these members expire on December 31, 2010. New appointments will be made as soon as possible, but will not take effect until January 1, 2011.

Section 971b-1 of ATCA specifies that the U.S. Commissioners may establish species working groups for the purpose of providing advice and recommendations to the U.S. Commissioners and to the Advisory Committee on matters relating to the conservation and management of any highly migratory species covered by the ICCAT Convention. Any species working group shall consist of no more than seven members of the Advisory Committee and no more than four scientific or technical advisors, as considered necessary by the Commissioners. Currently, there are four species working groups advising the Committee and the U.S. Commissioners: a Bluefin Tuna Working Group, a Swordfish and Sharks Working Group, a Billfish Working Group, and a BAYS (Bigeye, Albacore, Yellowfin, and Skipjack) Tunas Working Group. Technical Advisors to the species working groups serve at the request of the U.S. Commissioners; therefore, the Commissioners can choose to alter appointments at any time.

Nominations to the Advisory Committee or to a species working group should include a letter of interest and a resume or curriculum vitae. Letters of recommendation are useful but not required. Self-nominations are acceptable. When making a nomination, please clearly specify which appointment (Advisory Committee member or technical advisor to a species working group) is being sought. Requesting consideration for placement on both the Advisory Committee and a species working group is acceptable. Those interested in a species working group technical advisor appointment should indicate which of the four working groups is preferred. Placement on the requested species working group, however, is not guaranteed.

Dated: September 7, 2010.

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National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders Benchmark Supplement

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau.

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, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: To ensure consideration 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 instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Chris Savage, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 7K071, Washington, DC 20233-6900, (301) 763-4832, or via the internet at John.C.Savage@census.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders (M3) survey collects monthly data on shipments, inventories, and orders from domestic manufacturing companies. The purpose of the M3 survey is to provide early broad-based monthly statistical data on current economic conditions and indications of future production commitments in the manufacturing sector. The orders, as well as the shipments and inventory data, are used widely and are valuable tools for analysis of business cycle conditions. Major data users include: Members of the Council of Economic Advisers, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Federal Reserve Board, Conference Board, Treasury Department, and the business community.

The monthly M3 Survey data reflect primarily the month-to-month changes of companies within the survey. The M3 survey collects data for 89 industry categories of which 13 provide non-

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 administering 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