DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. DHS–2010–0081]

National Protection and Programs Directorate; National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP) Goal 2 Performance Report

AGENCY: National Protection and Programs Directorate, DHS.

ACTION: 60-day notice and request for comments; New Information Collection Request: 1670–NEW.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD)/Office of Cybersecurity and Communications (CS&C)/Office of Emergency Communications (OEC) will submit the following Information Collection Request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). NPPD is soliciting comments concerning the NECP Goal 2 Performance Report.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until March 15, 2011. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR Part 1320.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and questions about this Information Collection Request should be forwarded to NPPD/CS&C/OEC, Attn: Ryan Oremland, Ryan.Oremland@dhs.gov. Written comments should reach the contact person listed no later than March 15, 2011. Comments must be identified by “DHS–2010–0081” and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

• E-mail: Ryan.Oremland@dhs.gov.

Include the docket number in the subject line of the message.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the words “Department of Homeland Security” and the docket number for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration at http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ryan Oremland, NPPD/CS&C/OEC, Ryan.Oremland@dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OEC, formed under Title XVIII of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, 6 U.S.C. 101 et seq., is required to develop the NECP, including identification of goals, timeframes, and appropriate measures to achieve interoperable communications capabilities. The NECP Performance Report is designed to meet these statutory requirements. OEC will use the information gained through the reports to track progress that states are making in implementing milestones and demonstrating goals of the NECP. Information regarding demonstration of the NECP will measure the ability of counties or county-equivalents to demonstrate response-level emergency communications within one hour for routine events involving multiple jurisdictions.

Statewide Interoperability Coordinators or Statewide Communications Interoperability Planning points of contact (police, fire, emergency medical services, emergency managers, dispatchers, radio operators, government workers, etc.) will be responsible for collecting this information from their respective counties or county equivalents within their states. The report will be submitted electronically via e-mail. OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Analysis
Title: NECP Goal 2 Performance Report.
From: Not Applicable.
OMB Number: 1670–XXXX.
Frequency: Annually.
Affected Public: State and local governments.
Number of Respondents: 56.
Estimated Time per Respondent: 30 hours.
Total Burden Hours: 1,680 annual burden hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): $0.
Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): $0.

Dated: January 5, 2011.
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Chief Information Officer, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5480–N–04]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; American Housing Survey

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

The American Housing Survey (AHS) provides a periodic measure of the size and composition of the country’s housing inventory. Title 12, United States Code, Sections 1710Z–1, 1701Z–2(g), and 1710Z–10a mandate the collection of this information.

Like the previous surveys, the 2011 AHS collects data on subjects such as the amount and types of changes in the inventory, the physical condition of the inventory, the characteristics of the occupants, housing costs, the persons eligible for and beneficiaries of assisted housing, and the number and characteristics of vacancies. The 2011 AHS will collect additional data on potential health and safety hazards in the home and modifications made to assist occupants living with disabilities. Selected neighborhood and journey to work questions will not be collected in the 2011 survey and the mortgage questions will be redesigned. There is no AHS–Metropolitan Sample in the 2011 survey. But, a supplemental sample of housing units will be selected for 30 metropolitan areas. The supplemental sample will be combined with existing sample in these areas in order to produce metropolitan estimates using the National data.

Policy analysts, program managers, budget analysts, and Congressional staff use AHS data to advise executive and