most highly compensated executives. Additionally, there were 90 registrants that provided their executive compensation responses to FSRS rather than CCR. So, the total additional burden imposed to respond to all three questions posed in the reporting tool is 5,197. DoD, GSA, and NASA estimate that it would require those 5,197 registrants 2.5 hours to provide the information required, for a total of 12,993 response hours.

Therefore, DoD, GSA, and NASA estimate that the total population of respondents is 625,974, and the total estimated response hours is 75,071, resulting in a weighted average of 0.12 hours per respondent for executive compensation reporting.

The Councils estimate the total annual public cost burden for this element to be $5,107,956 based on the following:

Respondents: 625,974 (subcontractors and prime contractors).
Responses per respondent: 1.
Preparation hours per response: 0.12.
Total response burden hours: 75,117.
Average hourly wages ($50.00 + 36.35% overhead): $68.00.
Estimated cost to the public: $5,107,956.

Based on the above calculations, DoD, GSA, and NASA estimate the total annual burden associated with reporting requirements of FAR 52.204–10 to be $36,478,804.

1. Reporting first-tier subcontract award information. The FY10 Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS) data collected for new contract actions valued at $25,000 or greater, indicated that there were 76,889 contractors with unique DUNS numbers. DoD, GSA, and NASA estimate that based on the exemptions in the rule (e.g., contractors in the previous tax year with less than $300,000 in gross income do not have to report), seventy-five percent of the contractors with actions valued at $25,000 or greater would be subject to the reporting requirements. The burden to report the subcontractor award information (e.g., name, amount, address, etc.) under FAR 52.204–10 is estimated to average 2 hours per response for a prime contractor and approximately three first-tier subcontractors per prime contractor. We estimate the total annual public cost burden for these elements to be $31,370,848 based on the following:

Respondents: 230,668.
Responses per respondent: 2.
Total annual responses: 230,668.
Preparation hours per response: 0.12.
Total response burden hours: 461,336.
Average hourly wages ($50.00 + 36.35% overhead): $68.00.
Estimated cost to the public: $31,370,848.

2. Reporting executive compensation.

There were 625,884 active registrants in CCR as of January 1, 2012. Of the 625,884 total active registrants, 620,777 were screened out by two questions supporting the rule’s requirements, i.e., didn’t have 80% or more of their annual gross revenue in U.S. Federal contracts, grants, and/or cooperative agreements and didn’t make more than $25 million in annual gross revenue, or did have 80% or $25 million from Federal contracts/grants/cooperative agreements, but the public already had access to the information. DoD, GSA, and NASA estimate that it would require those 620,777 registrants 0.10 hours per response, for a total of 62,078 response hours.

A total of 5,107 CCR registrants have entered actual values for their top five
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The Government is required to provide, in solicitations, a complete description of the commodity to be acquired and of packing requirements to determine transportation (freight rate) charges for the evaluation of offers. Generally, the freight rate for supplies is based on the ratings applicable to the freight classification description published in the National Motor Freight Classification (for carriers) and the Uniform Freight Classification (for rail) filed with Federal and State regulatory bodies. When the Government purchases supplies that are new to the supply system, nonstandard, or modifications of previously shipped items, and different freight classifications may apply, per FAR clause 52.247–33, offerors are requested to indicate the full Uniform Freight Classification or National Motor Freight Classification. The Government will use these descriptions as well as other information available to determine the classification description most appropriate and advantageous to the government.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 3,000.

Responses per Respondent: 3.

Annual Responses: 9,000.

Hours per Response: .167.

Total Burden Hours: 1,503.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20417, telephone (202) 501–4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000–0055, Freight Classification Description, in all correspondence.


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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Amendment to the Inland Waterways Users Board

AGENCY: DoD.

ACTION: Charter Amendment for Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b), and 41 CFR 102–3.50(d), the Department of Defense gives notice that it is amending the charter for the Inland Waterways Users Board (hereafter referred to as “the Board”). The Board is authorized by statute, and shall provide the Secretary of Defense, through the Secretary of the Army and the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, independent advice and recommendations on matters relating to the Inland Waterways Users Board.

The Department of Defense, when considering prospective users and shippers to be represented on the Board, shall ensure selections represent various regions of the country and a spectrum of the primary users and shippers utilizing the inland and intracoastal waterways for commercial purposes. Due consideration shall be given to assure a balance among the members based on the ton-mile shipments of the various categories of commodities shipped on inland and intracoastal waterways.

A primary user or shipper may be represented on the Board, at the request of the Secretary of the Army and with the approval of the Secretary of Defense, for a two-year term of service with annual renewals. A user or shipper may not represent on the Board for more than two terms of service (four years); a user or shipper may be subsequently represented on the Board, but only after being off the Board for at least two years.

In addition to the primary users and shippers invited by the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Army shall designate, and the Secretaries of Agriculture, Transportation and Commerce may each designate a representative to act as an observer of the Board. These observers, who have no voting rights, shall be full-time or permanent part-time employees of his or her respective agency.

Pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 2251(a), the Secretary of the Army shall designate one Board member to serve as the Board’s Chairperson. With the exception of travel and per diem for official travel, all Board members shall serve without compensation.

With DoD approval and according to DoD policies and procedures, the Board, consistent with its mission, is authorized to establish subcommittees, task groups, or working groups to support the Board. These subcommittees or working groups shall operate under the provisions of FACA, the Sunshine Act, and other governing Federal statutes and regulations, and governing DoD policies and procedures.

Such subcommittees or task groups shall not work independently of the chartered Board, and shall report all their recommendations and advice to the Board for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Board; nor can any subcommittee or its members update or report directly to the Department of Defense or any Federal officers or employees.

All subcommittee members shall be appointed in the same manner as the