DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Information Collection Request; Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Personnel Surety Program

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 Infrastructure Protection (IP), Infrastructure Security Compliance Division (ISCD) will submit the following Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). This is a new information collection and follows the withdrawal of a previous ICR on the same topic.1 The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments during a 60-day public comment period prior to the submission of this ICR to OMB. The submission describes the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (in hours), and the estimated burden cost necessary to implement the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) Personnel Surety Program pursuant to 6 CFR 27.230(a)(12)(iv).

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until May 21, 2013. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.8.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on the proposed information collection through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov. All submissions received must include the words “Department of Homeland Security” and the docket number DHS–2012–0061. Except as provided below, comments received will be posted without alteration at http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.

Comments that include trade secrets, confidential commercial or financial information, Chemical-terrorism Vulnerability Information (CVI),2 Sensitive Security Information (SSI),3 or Protected Critical Infrastructure Information (PCII)4 should not be submitted to the public regulatory docket. Please submit such comments separately from other comments in response to this notice. Comments containing trade secrets, confidential commercial or financial information, CVI, SSI, or PCII should be appropriately marked and packaged in accordance with applicable requirements and submitted by mail to the DHS/NPPD/IP/ISCD CFATS Program Manager at the Department of Homeland Security, 245 Murray Lane, SW., Mail Stop 0610, Arlington, VA 20528–0610. Comments must be identified by docket number DHS–2012–0061.

I. Supplementary Information

• Summary of Options Available to High-Risk Chemical Facilities To Comply With RBPS 12(iv)

• Scope of This Notice and Commitment To Explore Additional Options in the Future

• Who Is Impacted By The CFATS Personnel Surety Program?

• What/Who Is the Source of the Information Under Option 1 and Option 2

• CSAT User Roles and Responsibilities

• Burden Resulting From the Submission of Duplicate Records About an Affected Individual

• Compliance With RBPS 12(iv) and the Potential for Increased Burden To Enter the Restricted Areas or Critical Assets at a High-Risk Chemical Facility

• Compliance With RBPS 12(iv) and Infrequent 'Unescorted Visitors'

• Additional Data Privacy Considerations

II. Information Collected About Affected Individuals

• Option 1: Collecting Information To Conduct Direct Vetting


For more information about SSI see 49 CFR part 1520 and the SSI Program Web page at http://www.tsa.gov/ssi.

For more information about PCII see 6 CFR part 29 and the PCII Program Web page at http://www.dhs.gov/pcii.


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