

arrives at a POE and is then cleared to enter into U.S. commerce. Some shipments pass through the U.S. while in transit to another country and never enter the U.S. commerce. Additional shipments are allowed to travel within the U.S. and defer their payment of duties until they are entered into U.S. commerce at their formal port of entry. These shipments (in-bond shipments) are required to post a bond which CBP can collect against to insure the shipments do not enter U.S. commerce without paying the requisite duties. CBP secures some of these shipments with ISO bolts when they initially arrive at a U.S. POE and verifies the integrity of the ISO bolt when the shipment either exits the U.S. via a POE or enters U.S. commerce.

Using RECONS in In-bond Operations will allow for the collection of data that can be used to determine if any cargo was illegally off-loaded into U.S. commerce resulting in collecting against the insurance bond as well as serving as a deterrent to illegal activity. In addition, RECONS will automate processes leading to efficiencies while also saving money over time than employing single-use ISO bolts.

*National Capital Region (NCR) Secure Delivery:* Trucks making deliveries to buildings managed by GSA within the National Capital Region are first screened at a central facility and then secured with mechanical seals before delivering the cargo.

Using RECONS in NCR Secure Delivery Operations will increase security by providing tracking between the FPS scanning facility and the delivery and ensuring they do not deviate from the designated route to introduce illegal or dangerous cargo. The tracking data also verifies delayed deliveries and the reasons cited for arriving outside of the designated window thus avoiding the need for them to return to the FPS scanning facility to be re-inspected. In addition, RECONS will automate processes leading to efficiencies and cost savings.

*Cross-border Commerce:* Conveyance security extends beyond just CES, In-bond, and National Capital Region Secure Delivery within the Government, with other agencies such as DOE and DOD requiring conveyance security solutions.

There is a much larger need for conveyance security solutions for commercial cross-border commerce with over \$1 trillion of goods being imported every year. Currently the only approved solutions are ISO bolts although there are much better solutions already in the commercial market. The impediment to adopting these enhanced

solutions is they are not certified for use and the root cause of that is there is no standard to certify conveyance security solutions against.

The development of a RECONS Standard will be conducted by BMD in parallel with this project along with efforts to update CBP systems and policies to accept and use the data provided by RECONS for cross-border shipment processing. A spiral approach is being pursued with additional capabilities added to the RECONS Standard and CBP systems, supported by updated CBP policies, as the use of RECONS in cross-border operations evolves.

#### Period of Performance

If CRADA collaborator(s) is (are) selected, laboratory testing is expected to take 2 months. Contingent on laboratory testing, operational testing is expected to take an additional 6 months and data consolidation, analysis, and results finalization is expected to take another 3 months.

#### Selection Criteria

The Borders and Maritime Security Division (BMD) reserves the right to select CRADA collaborators for all, some, or none of the proposals in response to this notice. BMD will provide no funding for reimbursement of proposal development costs. Proposals (or any other material) submitted in response to this notice will not be returned. Proposals submitted are expected to be unclassified.

BMD will select proposals at its sole discretion on the basis of:

1. How well the proposal communicates the collaborators' understanding of and ability to meet the CRADAs goals and proposed timeline.

2. Ability of the collaborator to provide equipment and materials for proposed testing.

This includes the ability of the collaborator to provide a sufficient number of RECONS for laboratory and operational testing within two months of CRADA agreement.

3. Ability of the collaborator to invest in system and RECONS development costs to ensure interoperability with government system.

4. How well the proposal addresses the following criteria:

- a. Ability of the collaborator to meet the requirements for development,<sup>1</sup> validation testing and analysis, and submission of supporting data and

<sup>1</sup>Development work may be needed to ensure solutions meet interoperability or other requirements validated through testing

documents fulfilling the RECONS laboratory and operational testing.

- b. Ability of the collaborator to provide RECONS that are hardened to prevent tampering and have had environmental testing performed consistent with the operational conditions the RECONS will be employed.

- c. Ability of the collaborator to provide documentation of the entire system required to operate RECONS and the all the associated costs throughout the lifecycle for procuring, operating, and maintaining RECONS.

- d. Ability of the collaborator to provide RECONS that provide intrusion detection and tracking along with secure data exchanges, while maintaining a low false alarm and failure rate.

Participation in this CRADA does not imply the future purchase of any materials, equipment, or services from the collaborating entities, and non-Federal CRADA participants will not be excluded from any future BMD procurements based solely on their participation in this CRADA.

**Authority:** CRADAs are authorized by the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986, as amended and codified by 15 U.S.C. 3710a. DHS, as an executive agency under 5 U.S.C. 105, is a Federal agency for the purposes of 15 U.S.C. 3710a and may enter into a CRADA. DHS delegated the authority to conduct CRADAs to the Science and Technology Directorate and its laboratories.

Dated: November 21, 2013.

**Stephen Hancock,**

*Acting Director, Office of Public-Private Partnerships.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2013-0522]

#### Tank Vessel Oil Transfers

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; reopening of comment period

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard issued a notice in the **Federal Register** of October 23, 2013, concerning new measures to reduce the risks of oil spills in oil transfer operations from or to a tank vessel. In response to public comments requesting an extension of the original comment period ending on November 22, 2013, the Coast Guard is reopening the comment period for an additional 30 days.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before December 30, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments using one of the listed methods, and see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for more information on public comments.

- *Online*—<http://www.regulations.gov> following Web site instructions.
- *Fax*—202-493-2251.
- *Mail*—Docket Management Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.
- *Hand deliver*—mail address, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays (telephone 202-366-9329).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information about this document call or email Ken Smith, Coast Guard; telephone 202-372-1413, email [Ken.A.Smith@uscg.mil](mailto:Ken.A.Smith@uscg.mil). For information about viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Barbara Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This document reopens the comment period on the Coast Guard's October 23, 2013, notice (78 FR 63235) by an additional 30 days, in response to several public comments that requested an extension of the original comment period, which ended November 22, 2013. This notice is issued under authority of 5 U.S.C. 552(a).

Dated: November 21, 2013.

**F.J. Sturm,**

*Acting Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards, U.S. Coast Guard.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5684-N-06]

**60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Delta Community Capital Initiative Application and Semi-Annual Reporting**

**AGENCY:** Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* January 28, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000; telephone 202-402-3400 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at [Colette.Pollard@hud.gov](mailto:Colette.Pollard@hud.gov) for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jackie L. Williams, Director, Office of Rural Housing & Economic Development, Department of Housing

and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email Jackie Williams at [Jackie.Williams@hud.gov](mailto:Jackie.Williams@hud.gov) telephone 202-402-4611. This is not a toll-free number. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A.

**A. Overview of Information Collection**

*Title of Information Collection:* Delta Community Capital Initiative.

*OMB Approval Number:* N/A.

*Type of Request:* New.

*Form Numbers:* SF 424; HUD 424CB; HUD 424-CBW; SF-LL; HUD 2880; HUD 2990; HUD 2991; HUD 2993; HUD 2994A; HUD 27061; and HUD 27300.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* The purpose of this submission is for the application for the Appalachia Economic Development Initiative grant process. Information is required to rate and rank competitive applications and to ensure eligibility of applicants for funding. Semi-annual reporting is required to monitor grant management.

*Respondents:* Local rural nonprofit organization and federally recognized Indian tribes.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 50.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 50.

*Frequency of Response:* 1.

*Average Hours per Response:* 56.2.

*Total Estimated Burdens:* 2,801.

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden hour per response	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
Per Respondent .....	1	1	1	56.02	37.5	25.00	.....
Total .....	50	.....	1	56.02	2,801	.....	\$937.50

**B. Solicitation of Public Comment**

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) 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) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of

information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

**Authority:** Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.