and local ground transportation and personal interpreters used during the networking sessions. Delegation members will be able to take advantage of U.S. Embassy rates for hotel rooms. Business visas may be required.

Government fees and processing expenses to obtain such visas are also not included in the Fukushima Recovery Forum costs. However, the U.S. Department of Commerce will provide instructions to each participant on the procedures required to obtain necessary business visas.

**Conditions for Participation**

Applicants must submit a completed mission application signed by a company official, together with supplemental application materials, including adequate information on the company’s products and/or services, interest in doing business in Japan, and goals for participation by January 15, 2014. If the U.S. Department of Commerce receives an incomplete application, the U.S. Department of Commerce may reject the application, request additional information, or take the lack of information into account in its evaluation.

Each applicant must also certify that the products or services it seeks to export through its participation in the Fukushima Recovery Forum are either produced in the United States, or, if not, marketed under the name of a U.S. firm and that the promotion of the products or services the applicant seeks to export would be consistent with CS’s statutory mission.

**Selection Criteria for Participation**

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Suitability of the company’s products or services to the Japanese decommissioning or remediation sector, including water management and waste management;
- The company’s potential for business in Japan, including likelihood of exports resulting from participation in the Fukushima Recovery Forum;
- The company’s ability to identify and engage on policy issues relevant to U.S. competitiveness in the decontamination or remediation sectors in Japan; and
- Consistency of the company’s goals and objectives with the scope of the Fukushima Recovery Forum.

Additional factors, such as diversity of company size, industry subsector, location, and demographics, may also be considered during the review process.

Referrals from political organizations and any documents containing references to partisan political activities (including political contributions) will be removed from an applicant’s submission and not considered during the selection process.

**Timeframe for Recruitment and Participation**

Recruitment for the Fukushima Recovery Forum will be conducted in an open and public manner, including publication in the Federal Register, posting on CS Japan’s Web site, notices by industry trade associations and other multiplier groups, and publicity through the Commercial Service network. Recruitment will begin immediately and conclude no later than January 15, 2014. The U.S. Department of Commerce will review applications and make selection decisions beginning on or about January 6, 2014. Applications received after January 15, 2014 will be considered only if space and scheduling constraints permit.

Applications for participation in the Fukushima Recovery Forum are available on line at: http://export.gov/japan/fukushima/forum/

**DATES:** The Fukushima Recovery Forum will take place February 18–19, 2014. Applications are due no later than January 15, 2014.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

**Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of an Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee (RE&EAC) will meet via conference call on January 23, 2014 to consider and vote on proposed recommendations from the U.S. Competitiveness, Trade Policy, Finance and Trade Promotion Subcommittees that address issues affecting U.S. competitiveness in exporting renewable energy and energy efficiency (RE&E) products and services.

**DATES:** January 23, 2014, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via conference call.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Ryan Mulholland, Office of Energy and Environmental Technologies Industries (OEEI), International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce at (202) 482–4693; email: ryan.mulholland@trade.gov. This conference call is accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to OEEI at (202) 482–4693 at least 3 working days prior to the event.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background:** The Secretary of Commerce established the RE&EAC pursuant to his discretionary authority and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) on June 19, 2012. The RE&EAC provides the Secretary of Commerce with consensus advice from the private sector on the development and administration of programs and policies to enhance the international competitiveness of the U.S. RE&E industries. The RE&EAC held its first meeting on February 20, 2013 and several subsequent meetings throughout 2013. The Committee’s charter expires June 18, 2013.

The meeting is open to the public. Members of the public wishing to attend the conference call must notify Mr. Ryan Mulholland at the contact information above by 5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday, January 20, in order to preregister and receive call-in instructions. Please specify any request for reasonable accommodation by Monday, January 20. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill.

Any member of the public may submit pertinent written comments concerning the RE&EAC’s affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to ryan.mulholland@trade.gov.

Members of the public can also provide comments in person at the RE&EAC meeting, which will be held on or about January 23, 2014 via conference call.
of Energy and Environmental Technologies Industries (OEEI), International Trade Administration, Room 4053; 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230. To be considered during the meeting, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday, January 20, 2014, to ensure transmission to the Committee prior to the meeting. Comments received after that date will be distributed to the members, but may not be considered at the meeting.

Copies of RE&EEAC meeting minutes will be available within 30 days of the meeting.

Edward A. O’Malley, Director, Office of Energy and Environmental Industries.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

[Docket No.: 130927852–3852–01]

Extension of Comment Period for Public Comments on Department of Commerce Green Paper, Copyright Policy, Creativity, and Innovation in the Digital Economy


ACTION: Notice of Extension of Public Comment Period.

SUMMARY: On October 3, 2013, the Department of Commerce’s Internet Policy Task Force (Task Force) published a notice of public meeting and a request for public comments on five separate copyright policy issues critical to economic growth, job creation, and cultural development that were identified in the Department’s Green Paper on Copyright Policy, Creativity, and Innovation in the Digital Economy (Green Paper). The purpose of this notice is to announce an extension of the period for filing post-meeting comments.

DATES: To be ensured of consideration, post-meeting comments are due on or before January 17, 2014. The filing of pre-meeting comments is not a prerequisite for filing post-meeting comments.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are encouraged to file comments electronically by email to: Copyright Comments2013@uspto.gov. Comments submitted by email should be machine-searchable and should not be copy-protected. Written comments also may be submitted by mail to Office of Policy and International Affairs, United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Mail Stop External Affairs, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450. Responders should include the name of the person or organization filing the comment, as well as a page number, on each page of their submissions. Paper submissions should also include a CD or DVD containing the submission in Word, WordPerfect, or .pdf format. CDs or DVDs should be labeled with the name and organizational affiliation of the filer, and the name of the word processing program used to create the document. All comments received are a part of the public record and will be made available to the public at http://www.ntia.doc.gov/internetpolicy/taskforce and http://www.uspto.gov/ip/global/copyrights/index.jsp without change. All personally identifiable information (for example, name, address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit confidential business information or otherwise sensitive or protected information. The Task Force will accept anonymous comments (enter “N/A” in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the public comments, contact Garrett Levin or Ben Golant, Office of Policy and International Affairs, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Madison Building, 600 Dulany Street, Alexandria, VA 22314; telephone (571) 272–9300; email garrett.levin@uspto.gov or benjamin.golant@uspto.gov. Please direct all media inquiries to the Office of the Chief Communications Officer, USPTO, at (571) 272–8400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 3, 2013, the Task Force published a notice of public meeting and a request for public comments on five separate copyright policy issues critical to economic growth, job creation, and cultural development that were identified in the Department’s Green Paper. The deadline for filing pre-meeting comments was November 13, 2013. Pursuant to a Federal Register Notice published on November 5, 2013, the deadline for filing post-meeting comments was set for January 10, 2014. See Notice of Change in Public Meeting Date and Change in Public Comment Periods, 78 Fed. Reg. 66337 (Nov. 5, 2013), available at http://www.ntia.doc.gov/files/ntia/publications/copyright_green_paper_public_meeting.pdf.

The Task Force is now extending the period for submission of public post-meeting comments until January 17, 2014. Archived recordings of the public meeting are available at http://new.livestream.com/uspto/copyright.


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BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

[Docket No: CFPB–2013–0037]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Bureau) is proposing a new information collection titled, “Development of Metrics to Measure Financial Well-being of Working-age and Older American Consumers.”

DATES: Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before January 27, 2014 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection, OMB Control Number (see below), and docket number (see above), by any of the following methods:

• Electronic: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20552.