

7 CFR 4288.13(b) and (c) and in 7 CFR 4288.24.

### VIII. Application Review and Selection Information

The Agency will evaluate projects based on the cost, cost-effectiveness, and capacity of projects to reduce fossil fuels used.

#### A. Review

The Agency will review applications submitted under this Notice in accordance with 7 CFR 4288.21(a).

#### B. Scoring

The Agency will score applications submitted under this Notice in accordance with 7 CFR 4288.21(b).

#### C. Ranking and Selecting Applications

All scored applications will be ranked by the Agency as soon after September 15, 2014 as possible. The Agency will consider the score an application has received compared to the scores of other applications, with higher scoring applications receiving first consideration for payments. Using the application scoring criteria point values specified in 7 CFR 4288.21, the Agency will select applications for payments.

#### D. Availability of Funds

As applications are funded, if insufficient funds remain to pay the next highest scoring application, the Agency may elect to pay a lower scoring application. Before this occurs, the Agency will provide the applicant of the higher scoring application the opportunity to reduce the amount of its payment request to the amount of funds available. If the applicant agrees to lower its payment request, it must certify that the purposes of the project can be met, and the Agency must determine the project is feasible at the lower amount.

### IX. Administration Information

#### A. Notice of Eligibility

The provisions of 7 CFR 4288.23 apply to this Notice. These provisions include notifying an applicant determined to be eligible for participation and notifying an applicant determined to be ineligible, including their application score and ranking and the score necessary to qualify for payments.

#### B. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

(1) *Review or Appeal Rights.* A person may seek a review of an Agency adverse decision or appeal to the National Appeals Division as provided in 7 CFR 4288.3.

(2) *Compliance With Other Laws and Regulations.* The provisions of 7 CFR 4288.4 apply to this Notice, which includes requiring participating biorefineries to be in compliance with other applicable Federal, State, and local laws.

(3) *Oversight and Monitoring.* The provisions of 7 CFR 4288.5(a) and (b) apply to this Notice, which includes the right of the Agency to verify all payment applications and subsequent payments and the requirement that each biorefinery must make available, at one place at all reasonable times for examination by the Agency, all books, documents, papers, receipts, payroll records, and bills of sale adequate to identify the purposes for which, and the manner in which, funds were expended for all eligible project costs for a period of not less than 3 years from the final payment date.

(4) *Reporting.* Upon completion of the repowering project funded under this Notice, the biorefinery must submit a report, in accordance with 7 CFR 4288.5(c), to the Agency annually for the first 3 years after completion of the project. The reports are to be submitted as of October 1 of each year.

(5) *Exception Authority.* The provisions of 7 CFR 4288.7 apply to this Notice.

(6) *Succession and Control of Facilities and Production.* The provisions of 7 CFR 4288.25 apply to this Notice.

C. *Environmental Review.* All recipients under this Notice are subject to the requirements of 7 CFR Part 1940, subpart G.

### X. Agency Contacts

For further information about this Notice, please contact Fred Petok, USDA, Rural Development, Business Programs Energy Division, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 6870, STOP 3225, Washington, DC 20250-3225. Telephone: 202-690-0784. Email: [frederick.petok@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:frederick.petok@wdc.usda.gov).

### XI. Nondiscrimination Statement

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Dated: May 20, 2014.

**Ashli Palmer,**

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## CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** July 16, 2014 12:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. EDT.

**PLACE:** Four Points Sheraton, Ballroom, 600 Kanawha Blvd. E, Charleston, WV 25301.

**STATUS:** Open to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB) will convene a public meeting on July 16, 2014, starting at 12:00 p.m. in the Ballroom at the Four Points Sheraton located at 600 Kanawha Blvd. E, Charleston, WV 25301.

At the public meeting, the board will hear findings and recommendations from the CSB's investigation team into the December 9, 2010, explosion and fire which occurred at AL Solutions located in New Cumberland, WV. An explosion ripped through the New Cumberland AL Solutions titanium plant in West Virginia on December 9, 2010, fatally injuring three workers. The workers were processing titanium powder, which is highly combustible, at the time of the explosion. The meeting will also provide an update on the CSB's investigation into the January 9, 2014, tank leak at Freedom Industries that contaminated the local water supply leaving hundreds of thousands of West Virginia residents without clean drinking water.

This public meeting is intended to provide members of the public with information into how this incident occurred and how similar future incidents can be prevented or mitigated.

Following the staff presentation the Board will hear comments from the public. All staff presentations are preliminary and are intended solely to allow the Board to consider in a public forum the issues and factors involved in this case. No factual analyses, conclusions, or findings presented by staff should be considered final until approved by a vote of the Board.

#### Additional Information

The meeting is free and open to the public. If you require a translator or interpreter, please notify the individual listed below as the "Contact Person for Further Information," at least five business days prior to the meeting.

The CSB is an independent federal agency charged with investigating industrial chemical accidents. The agency's board members are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. CSB investigations look into all aspects of chemical accidents, including physical causes such as equipment failure as well as inadequacies in regulations, industry standards, and safety management systems.

The Board does not issue citations or fines but does make safety recommendations to plants, industry organizations, labor groups, and regulatory agencies such as OSHA and EPA.

#### Public Comment

Members of the public are invited to make brief statements to the Board at the conclusion of the staff presentation. The time provided for public statements will depend upon the number of people who wish to speak. Speakers should assume that their presentations will be limited to five minutes or less, but commenters may submit written statements for the record.

#### Contact Person for Further Information

Hillary J. Cohen, Communications Manager, [hillary.cohen@csb.gov](mailto:hillary.cohen@csb.gov) or (202) 446-8094. General information about the CSB can be found on the agency Web site at: [www.csb.gov](http://www.csb.gov).

Dated: June 12, 2014.

**Rafael Moure-Eraso,**  
Chairperson.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the

following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

*Agency:* U.S. Census Bureau.

*Title:* Information and

Communication Technology Survey.

*OMB Control Number:* 0607-0909.

*Form Number(s):* ICT-1(S), ICT-1(M), ICT-1(L).

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Burden Hours:* 79,286.

*Number of Respondents:* 45,000.

*Average Hours per Response:* 1.76 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* Economic policymakers are concerned about the lack of available data related to e-business infrastructure investment. Such data are critical for evaluating productivity growth, changes in industrial capacity, and current economic developments. Rapid advances in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) equipment have resulted in these assets having short useful lives and being replaced faster than other types of equipment. Companies are expensing the full cost of such assets during the current annual period rather than capitalizing the value of such assets and expensing the cost over two or more years. In some cases this is due not only to the short useful life of the asset, but also to the fact that companies have varying dollar levels for capitalization.

The Annual Capital Expenditures Survey (ACES) (OMB Project 0607-0782) currently collects summary data on business capital expenditures annually and detailed data on types of structures and equipment every five years. The fact that the ACES program does not include non-capitalized expenditures for e-business infrastructure and infrequently collects detailed data on types of structures and equipment creates serious data gaps. To fill these gaps and as a supplement to the ACES survey, the Census Bureau created the Information and Communication Technology Survey (ICTS). The ICTS uses the ACES sampling, follow-up and estimation methodologies including mailing to the same employer companies.

Data users tell us that they need comprehensive and consistent data on investment by all private non-farm businesses in capitalized and non-capitalized ICT equipment and software. The objectives of the ICTS are:

(a) To provide estimates of capitalized and non-capitalized ICT equipment expenditures for all private non-farm sectors of the economy at 3-digit and selected 4-digit North American

Industry Classification System (NAICS) levels;

(b) to base the survey on a probability sample that yields measures of statistical reliability of the survey estimates;

(c) to produce annual enterprise-level data with the level of detail, coverage, and quality which was previously unavailable;

(d) to provide detailed data on capitalized and non-capitalized ICT expenditures for estimating the national income and product accounts, estimating the productivity of U.S. industries, evaluating fiscal and monetary policy, and conducting research using capitalized and non-capitalized expenditures data; and

(e) to provide industry analysts with necessary data for market analysis, economic forecasting, product development, and business planning.

This request is for continuation of a currently approved collection and will cover the 2013 through 2015 ICTS (conducted in fiscal years 2014 through 2016). Due to budgetary constraints in 2013, the Census Bureau suspended the 2012 ICTS. However, funds were appropriated for fiscal year 2014 allowing the Census Bureau to reinstate the ICTS for the 2013 survey year.

We will collect and publish data based on the 2012 NAICS. Industries in the survey will comprise 3-digit and selected 4-digit 2012 NAICS codes.

The annual ICTS collects data on two categories of non-capitalized expenses (purchases; and operating leases and rental payments), for four types of information and communication technology equipment and software (computers and peripheral equipment; ICT equipment, excluding computers and peripherals; electromedical and electrotherapeutic apparatus; and computer software, including payroll associated with software development). The survey also collects capital expenditures data on the four types of ICT equipment and software cited above.

In prior ICTS data collection, the Census Bureau used mail out/mail back survey forms to collect data. Employer companies were able to respond via Centurion (the Census Bureau's online reporting system), by mail, or by using our toll-free number to reply via secure facsimile machine. We asked companies to respond to the survey within 30 days of the initial mailing. If companies did not respond by the designated time, they received letters and/or telephone calls encouraging participation.

For the 2013 ICTS data collection, the Census Bureau will rely primarily on electronic reporting. Employer