**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Patent and Trademark Office**

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; “Patents for Humanity Program”**

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 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

**Agency:** United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

**Title:** Patents for Humanity Program.

**OMB Control Number:** 0651–0066.

**Form Number(s):**
- PTO/PFH/001
- PTO/PFH/002
- PTO/SB/431

**Type of Request:** Regular.

**Number of Respondents:** 110 responses per year.

**Average Minutes per Response:** 60 minutes (attorney) or 180 minutes (paralegal) for the Humanitarian Program Application, and 60 minutes for the Petition to Extend the Redemption Period of the Humanitarian Awards Certificate.

**Burden Hours:** 410.

**Cost Burden:** $0.

**Needs and Uses**

The Patents for Humanity Program is designed to incentivize the distribution of patented technologies or products to address humanitarian needs, and is open to any patent owners or patent licensees, including inventors who have not assigned their ownership rights to others, assignees, and exclusive or non-exclusive licensees. Applications are considered in five categories: Medicine, Nutrition, Sanitation, Household Energy, and Living Standards.

The USPTO has developed two application forms that applicants can use to apply for participation in the Patents for Humanity Program—one application covers the humanitarian uses of technologies or products and the other application covers humanitarian research. Applicants may optionally provide contact information for the public to reach them with any inquiries. Additionally, applicants may provide non-public contact information by email to the USPTO in order to be notified about their award status. Applications must be submitted electronically as described at [http://www.uspto.gov/patentsforhumanity](http://www.uspto.gov/patentsforhumanity). Complete submitted applications will be available on the public Web site after being screened for inappropriate material.

The applications are reviewed by external judges working independently. A selection committee composed of representatives from other federal agencies and laboratories will make recommendations for the awards based on the judges’ reviews. Those applicants who are selected for an award will receive a certificate redeemable to accelerate select matters before the USPTO and public recognition of their efforts, including an awards ceremony at the USPTO. The certificates can be redeemed to accelerate one of the following matters: an ex parte reexamination proceeding, including one appeal to the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) from that proceeding; a patent application, including one appeal to the PTAB from that application; or an appeal to the PTAB of a claim twice rejected in a patent application or reissue application or finally rejected in an ex parte reexamination, without accelerating the underlying matter which generated the appeal. The certificates cannot be transferred to other parties.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households, businesses or other for-profits; not-for-profit institutions.

**Frequency:** Annually.

**Respondent’s Obligation:** Required to obtain or retain benefits.


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**Estimated Total Annual Cost Burden (Non-Hourly):** $493.70. There are no capital startup, maintenance, or operating fees associated with this collection, nor are there filing or processing fees. There is, however, a non-hourly cost burden associated with this collection in the form of postage costs.

For this collection, it is estimated that 30 complaints will be received by mail. The USPTO estimates that the first-class postage cost for a mailed complaint will be $0.49. Promotion firms may choose to send responses to complaints using overnight mail service at an estimated cost of $23.95 per response. The USPTO estimates that it will receive 20 responses to complaints. Therefore, the total postage cost associated with this collection will be approximately $493.70. As there are no other annual (non-hourly) costs associated with this collection, the USPTO therefore estimates that the total annual (non-hourly) cost burden for this collection, in the form of postage costs, is $493.70 per year.

**IV. Request for Comments**

Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;

(b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they will also become a matter of public record.

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**IC No.** | Item | Hours (hrs/yr) | Responses (yr) | Burden (hrs/yr) | Rate ($/hr) | Total cost ($/yr)
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1 | Complaint Regarding Invention Promoter (PTO/SB/2048) | 0.25 | 30 | 7.5 | $77.50 | $581.25
2 | Responses to the Complaints | 0.50 | 20 | 10 | 224.50 | 2,445.00

**Totals** | | | | 50 | | **3,026.25**

Dated: August 6, 2015.

Marcie Lovett, Records Management Division Director, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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Nicholas A. Fraser,

Records Management Division Director, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.


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Once submitted, the request will be publicly available in electronic format through reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Further information can be obtained by:

- Email: InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include “0051–0066 copy request” in the subject line of the message.
- Mail: Marcie Lovett, Records Management Division Director, Office of the Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before September 16, 2015 to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB Desk Officer, via email to Nicholas.A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov, or by fax to 202–395–5167, marked to the attention of Nicholas A. Fraser.

Dated: August 6, 2015.

Marcie Lovett,
Records Management Division Director, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary
[Docket ID: DoD–2015–OS–0081]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to delete a System of Records.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Secretary of Defense is deleting a system of records notice from its existing inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended. The system of records notice is DA&M 02, Director of Administration and Management (DA&M) Mentoring Program (March 8, 2013, 78 FR 15006).

DATES: Comments will be accepted on or before September 16, 2015. This proposed action will be effective on the day following the end of the comment period unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:


Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Cindy Allard at (571) 372–0461.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of the Secretary of Defense systems of records notices subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the Federal Register and are available from the address in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT or at the Defense Privacy and Civil Liberties Division Web site at http://dpclsd.defense.gov/. The Office of the Secretary of Defense proposes to delete one system of records notice from its inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended. The proposed deletion is not within the purview of subsection (r) of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, which requires the submission of a new or altered system report.

Dated: August 11, 2015.

Aaron Siegel,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

Deletion:

DA&M 02

Director of Administration and Management (DA&M) Mentoring Program (March 8, 2013, 78 FR 15006)

REASON:
The mentoring program is no longer an active program and the records have been destroyed, therefore, this notice can be deleted.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

  Description: Notice of Self-certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status of Silver State Solar Power South, LLC.
  Filed Date: 8/11/15.
  Accession Number: 20150811–5097.
  Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/1/15.
  Description: Notice of Self-Certification of EG of RE Garland, LLC.
  Filed Date: 8/11/15.
  Accession Number: 20150811–5121.
  Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/1/15.
  Description: Self-Certification of EG of RE Garland A, LLC.
  Filed Date: 8/11/15.
  Accession Number: 20150811–5126.
  Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/1/15.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

  Description: Supplement to July 1, 2015 Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of Selkirk Cogen Partners, L.P.
  Filed Date: 8/11/15.
  Accession Number: 20150811–5077.
  Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/1/15.
  Description: Report Filing: Supplement to Filing of Amendments to Rate Schedule No. 102 to be effective N/A.
  Filed Date: 8/7/15.
  Accession Number: 20150807–5125.
  Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 8/28/15.