

**FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION****Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the FTC is seeking public comments on its request to OMB for a three-year extension of the current PRA clearance for the information collection requirements contained in the Consumer Product Warranty Rule. That clearance expires on December 31, 2016.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by December 23, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties may file a comment online or on paper, by following the instructions in the Request for Comment part of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below. Write “Warranty Rules: Paperwork Comment, FTC File No. P044403” on your comment, and file your comment online at <https://ftc.public.commentworks.com/ftc/consumerwarrantypra2> by following the instructions on the web-based form. If you prefer to file your comment on paper, mail or deliver your comment to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite CC-5610 (Annex J), Washington, DC 20580, or deliver your comment to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, Constitution Center, 400 7th Street SW., 5th Floor, Suite 5610 (Annex J), Washington, DC 20024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information requirements should be addressed to Gary Ivens, Attorney, Division of Marketing Practices, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, Room CC-8528, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20580, (202) 326-2330.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Rule Concerning Disclosure of Written Consumer Product Warranty Terms and Conditions (the Consumer Product Warranty Rule or Warranty Rule), 16 CFR 701.

*OMB Control Number:* 3084-0111.

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

*Abstract:* The Warranty Rule is one of three rules<sup>1</sup> that the FTC implemented

pursuant to requirements of the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, 15 U.S.C. 2301 *et seq.* (Warranty Act or Act). The Warranty Rule specifies the information that must appear in a written warranty on a consumer product costing more than \$15. The Rule tracks Section 102(a) of the Warranty Act, specifying information that must appear in the written warranty and, for certain disclosures, mandates the exact language that must be used. Neither the Warranty Rule nor the Act requires that a manufacturer or retailer warrant a consumer product in writing, but if they choose to do so, the warranty must comply with the Rule.

On August 24, 2016, the Commission sought comment on the Rule’s information collection requirements.<sup>2</sup> The Commission did not receive any comments.

As required by OMB regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, the FTC is providing this second opportunity for public comment.

*Likely Respondents:* Manufacturers of consumer products.

*Estimated Annual Hours Burden:* 140,280 hours (derived from estimated 17,535 manufacturers x 8 hours of burden per year).

*Estimated Annual Cost Burden:* \$19,011,798 (\$17,535,000 for legal professionals + \$883,413 for legal support + \$593,384 for clerical workers).<sup>3</sup>

- Legal Professionals: (0.5) (140,280 hours) (\$250/hour) = \$17,535,000
- Legal Support: (0.25) (140,280 hours) (\$25.19/hour) = \$883,413
- Clerical Workers: (0.25) (140,280 hours) (\$16.92/hour) = \$593,384.

*Request for Comment*

You can file a comment online or on paper. For the Commission to consider your comment, we must receive it on or before December 23, 2016. Write “Warranty Rules: Paperwork Comment, FTC File No. P044403” on your comment. Your comment—including your name and your state—will be placed on the public record of this proceeding, including, to the extent practicable, on the public Commission

standards for informal dispute settlement mechanisms that are incorporated into a written warranty.

<sup>2</sup> See 81 FR 57910 (60-Day Federal Register Notice).

<sup>3</sup> Staff has derived an hourly wage rate (\$250/hour) for legal professionals based upon industry knowledge. The wage rates for legal support workers (\$25.19) and for clerical support (\$16.92) used in this Notice are based on recent data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment and Wages—May 2015, table 1 (“National employment and wage data from the Occupational Employment Statistics survey by occupation”), released Mar. 30, 2016, available at <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/ocwage.pdf>.

Web site, at <http://www.ftc.gov/os/publiccomments.shtm>. As a matter of discretion, the Commission tries to remove individuals’ home contact information from comments before placing them on the Commission Web site.

Because your comment will be made public, you are solely responsible for making sure that your comment does not include any sensitive personal information, such as anyone’s Social Security number, date of birth, driver’s license number or other state identification number or foreign country equivalent, passport number, financial account number, or credit or debit card number. You are also solely responsible for making sure that your comment does not include any sensitive health information, like medical records or other individually identifiable health information. In addition, do not include any “[t]rade secret or any commercial or financial information which is . . . privileged or confidential,” as discussed in Section 6(f) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. 46(f), and FTC Rule 4.10(a)(2), 16 CFR 4.10(a)(2). In particular, do not include competitively sensitive information such as costs, sales statistics, inventories, formulas, patterns, devices, manufacturing processes, or customer names.

If you want the Commission to give your comment confidential treatment, you must file it in paper form, with a request for confidential treatment, and you are required to follow the procedure explained in FTC Rule 4.9(c), 16 CFR 4.9(c). Your comment will be kept confidential only if the FTC General Counsel grants your request in accordance with the law and the public interest.

Postal mail addressed to the Commission is subject to delay due to heightened security screening. As a result, we encourage you to submit your comment online, or to send it to the Commission by courier or overnight service. To make sure that the Commission considers your online comment, you must file it at <https://ftc.public.commentworks.com/ftc/consumerwarrantypra2>, by following the instructions on the web-based form. If this Notice appears at <http://www.regulations.gov>, you also may file a comment through that Web site.

If you file your comment on paper, write “Warranty Rules: Paperwork Comment, FTC File No. P044403” on your comment and on the envelope, and mail or deliver it to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, Room H-113 (Annex J), 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20580. If possible,

<sup>1</sup> The other two rules relate to the pre-sale availability of warranty terms and minimum

submit your paper comment to the Commission by courier or overnight service.

Visit the Commission Web site at <http://www.ftc.gov> to read this Notice. The FTC Act and other laws that the Commission administers permit the collection of public comments to consider and use in this proceeding as appropriate. The Commission will consider all timely and responsive public comments that it receives on or before December 23, 2016. You can find more information, including routine uses permitted by the Privacy Act, in the Commission's privacy policy, at <http://www.ftc.gov/ftc/privacy.shtm>.

Comments on the information collection requirements subject to review under the PRA should also be submitted to OMB. If sent by U.S. mail, address comments to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Federal Trade Commission, New Executive Office Building, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503. Comments sent to OMB by U.S. postal mail, however, are subject to delays due to heightened security precautions. Thus, comments instead should be sent by facsimile to (202) 395-5167.

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## GULF COAST ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION COUNCIL

### Notice of Proposed Subaward Under a Council-Selected Restoration Component Award

**AGENCY:** Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council (Council) publishes notice of a proposed subaward from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to the Nature Conservancy (TNC), a nonprofit organization, for the purpose of acquiring three properties in the Bahia Grande Coastal Corridor in accordance with the Bahia Grande Coastal Corridor Implementation Award as approved in the Initial Funded Priority List.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Please send questions by email to [raams\\_pgmsupport@restorethegulf.gov](mailto:raams_pgmsupport@restorethegulf.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 1321(t)(2)(E)(ii)(III) of the RESTORE Act

(33 U.S.C. 1321(t)(2)(E)(ii)(III)) and Treasury's implementing regulation at 31 CFR 34.401(b) require that, for purposes of awards made under the Council-Selected Restoration Component, a State or Federal award recipient may make a grant or subaward to or enter into a cooperative agreement with a nongovernmental entity that equals or exceeds 10 percent of the total amount of the award provided to the State or Federal award recipient only if certain notice requirements are met. Specifically, at least 30 days before the State or Federal award recipient enters into such an agreement, the Council must publish in the **Federal Register** and deliver to specified Congressional Committees the name of the recipient and subrecipient; a brief description of the activity, including its purpose; and the amount of the award. This notice accomplishes the **Federal Register** requirement.

### Description of Proposed Action

As specified in the Initial Funded Priority List, which is available on the Council's Web site at <https://www.restorethegulf.gov/council-selected-restoration-component/funded-priorities-list>, RESTORE Act funds will support the Bahia Grande Coastal Corridor Implementation Award (Bahia Grande Award) to TCEQ. Through this Award of \$4,378,500, approximately 1,852 acres of land will be conserved through fee title acquisition from willing sellers and added to a 105,000 acre corridor of conservation lands that includes the Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), Boca Chica State Park, and the Lower Rio Grande Valley NWR. Property acquisitions under the Bahia Grande Award will be accomplished through a subaward in the amount of \$4,363,391 from TCEQ to TNC. Through the subaward, TNC will acquire three properties in the Bahia Grande Coastal Corridor, which are expected to ultimately become part of the Laguna Atascosa NWR. These properties will connect Laguna Atascosa NWR, Lower Rio Grande Valley NWR, and Boca Chica State Park, as well as over 2 million acres of intact habitat on private ranchland with the 1.3 million acre Rio Bravo Protected Area. The connection provided by these properties will provide additional protection for, and could prevent future listing of State-threatened species like the reddish egret, Botteri's sparrow, white-tailed hawk, white-faced ibis, Texas tortoise, Texas indigo snake and Texas horned lizard. Conserving additional portions of the Bahia Grande wetland system and portions of its watershed will secure valuable freshwater inflows and allow

partners to complete hydrological restoration needed to increase tidal flows and divert freshwater inflows needed to fully restore this system.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approve the proposed information collection project: "*The Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Items Demonstration Study.*" In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection.

This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on August 3rd, 2016 and allowed 60 days for public comment. AHRQ did not receive any substantive comments. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comment.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by December 23, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be submitted to: AHRQ's OMB Desk Officer by fax at (202) 395-6974 (attention: AHRQ's desk officer) or by email at [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov) (attention: AHRQ's desk officer).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427-1477, or by email at [doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov](mailto:doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**