

Wednesday February 21, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. EST for the purpose of preparing for its public meeting on voting rights issues in the state.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. EST.

*Public Call Information:* Dial: 888-791-4321, Conference ID: 9801162.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Melissa Wojnaroski, DFO, at [mwojnaroski@usccr.gov](mailto:mwojnaroski@usccr.gov) or 312-353-8311.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Members of the public can listen to the discussion. This meeting is available to the public through the above listed toll free number. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. The conference call operator will ask callers to identify themselves, the organization they are affiliated with (if any), and an email address prior to placing callers into the conference room. Callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Regional Programs Unit Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 55 W Monroe St., Suite 410, Chicago, IL 60615. They may also be faxed to the Commission at (312) 353-8324, or emailed to Carolyn Allen at [callen@usccr.gov](mailto:callen@usccr.gov). Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit Office at (312) 353-8311.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via [www.facadatabase.gov](http://www.facadatabase.gov) under the Commission on Civil Rights, Indiana Advisory Committee link (<http://www.facadatabase.gov/committee/meetings.aspx?cid=247>). Persons interested in the work of this

Committee are directed to the Commission's website, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Unit Office at the above email or street address.

#### Agenda

Welcome and Roll Call  
Discussion: Voting Rights in Indiana  
Public Comment  
Future Plans and Actions  
Adjournment

*Exceptional Circumstance:* Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150, the notice for this meeting is given less than 15 calendar days prior to the meeting because of the exceptional circumstance of this Committee doing work on the FY 2018 statutory enforcement report.

Dated: February 12, 2018.

**David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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

*Agency:* U.S. Census Bureau.

*Title:* Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders (M3) Survey.

*OMB Control Number:* 0607-0008.

*Form Number(s):* M-3(SD).

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

*Number of Respondents:* 5,000.

*Average Hours per Response:* 20 minutes.

*Burden Hours:* 20,000.

*Needs and Uses:* The U.S. Census Bureau is requesting an extension of the currently approved collection for the Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders (M3) survey. This survey collects monthly data from domestic manufacturers on Form M-3 (SD), which is mailed at the end of each month. Data requested are shipments, new orders, unfilled orders, and inventories by stage of fabrication. It is currently the only survey that provides broad-based monthly statistical data on the economic conditions in the domestic manufacturing sector. The survey is designed to measure current industrial activity and to provide an indication of future production commitments. The value of shipments

measures the value of goods delivered during the month by domestic manufacturers. Estimates of new orders serve as an indicator of future production commitments and represent the current sales value of new orders received during the month, net of cancellations. Substantial accumulation or depletion of backlogs of unfilled orders measures excess (or deficient) demand for manufactured products. The level of inventories, especially in relation to shipments, is frequently used to monitor the business cycle.

The M3 survey has been conducted monthly by the U.S. Census Bureau since 1957. The Advance Report on Durable Goods, Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories and Orders is an advance snapshot of the current value of manufacturing in the U.S. It is available about 18 working days after each month. The M3 survey also produces the Full Report on Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories and Orders. This report details information on the durable goods industries, and also includes the non-durable goods industries. In addition, the Full Report captures late receipts, and is available about 23 working days after each month.

This survey provides an essential component of the current economic indicators needed for assessing the evolving status of the economy and formulating economic policy. The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has designated this survey as a principal federal economic indicator. The shipments and inventories data are essential inputs to the gross domestic product (GDP), while the orders data are direct inputs to The Conference Board Leading Economic Index (LEI), which is a composite index of ten key elements designed to monitor the business cycle (<https://www.conference-board.org/data/bcicountry.cfm?cid=1>). The GDP and the LEI would be incomplete without these data. Orders for durable goods are an important leading economic indicator. Businesses and consumers generally place orders for durable goods when they are confident the economy is improving. A durable goods report showing an increase in orders is a sign that the economy is trending upwards. Durable goods orders tell investors what to expect from the manufacturing sector, a major component of the economy. The M3 survey also provides valuable and timely domestic manufacturing data for economic planning and analysis to business firms, trade associations, research and consulting agencies, and academia.

The data are used for analyzing short- and long-term trends, both in the manufacturing sector and as related to other sectors of the economy. The data on value of shipments, especially when adjusted for change in inventories, measure current levels of production. New orders figures serve as an indicator of future production commitments. Changes in the level of unfilled orders, because of excess or shortfall of new orders compared with shipments, are used to measure the excess (or deficiency) in the demand for manufactured products. Changes in the level of inventories and the relation of these to shipments are used to project future movements in manufacturing activity. These statistics are valuable for analysts of business cycle conditions, including members of the Council of Economic Advisers (CEA), the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), the Federal Reserve Board (FRB), the Department of the Treasury, The Conference Board, business firms, trade associations, private research and consulting agencies, and the academic community.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit.

**Frequency:** Monthly.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Voluntary.

**Legal Authority:** Title 13, United States Code, Sections 131, 182, and 193.

This information collection request may be viewed at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov). Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov) or fax to (202) 395-5806.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

*Departmental Lead PRA Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Economic Development Administration

#### Notice of National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship Meeting

**AGENCY:** Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of an open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship (NACIE) will hold a public meeting via teleconference on

Wednesday, March 14, 2018. During this time, members will discuss, consider, and vote on an innovation and entrepreneurship policy framework and related principles.

**DATES:**

**Wednesday, March 14, 2018**

Time: 2:00 p.m.–2:45 p.m. Eastern Time (ET)

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held by teleconference; a physical address is therefore not applicable. In order to make a statement during the public comment portion of the meeting, please submit a brief statement summarizing your comments to Craig Buerstatte (see contact information below) no later than 11:59 p.m. ET on Friday, March 9, 2018, and please limit comments to five minutes or less.

**Teleconference Information**

**Toll-Free:** +1 877 950 4778

**Passcode:** 4423486

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council was first chartered on November 10, 2009, to advise the Secretary of Commerce on matters related to innovation and entrepreneurship in the United States. NACIE's overarching focus is recommending transformational policies to the Secretary that will help U.S. communities, businesses, and the workforce become more globally competitive. The Council operates as an independent entity within the Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (OIE), which is housed within the U.S. Commerce Department's Economic Development Administration. NACIE members are a diverse and dynamic group of successful entrepreneurs, innovators, and investors, as well as leaders from nonprofit organizations and academia.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and consider an innovation and entrepreneurship policy framework and related principles. The final agenda will be posted on the NACIE website at <http://www.eda.gov/oie/nacie/> prior to the meeting. Any member of the public may submit pertinent questions and comments concerning the Council's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to the Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship at the contact information below. Copies of the meeting minutes will be available by request within 90 days of the meeting date.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Craig Buerstatte, Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Room 78018, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW,

Washington, DC 20230; email: [nacie@doc.gov](mailto:nacie@doc.gov); telephone: +1 202 482 8001; facsimile: +1 202 273 4781. Please reference "NACIE March 14, 2018" in the subject line of your correspondence.

Dated: February 9, 2018.

**Craig Buerstatte,**

*Acting Director, Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-201-837]

#### Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks From Mexico: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2016–2017

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Commerce) is rescinding its administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain magnesia carbon bricks from Mexico for the period of review (POR) September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2017.

**DATES:** Applicable February 15, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Terre Keaton Stefanova, AD/CVD Operations, Office II, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1280.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Background

On September 1, 2016, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain magnesia carbon bricks from Mexico for the POR.<sup>1</sup> Commerce received a timely request from the Magnesia Carbon Bricks Fair Trade Committee (the petitioner), in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.213(b), to conduct an administrative review of this antidumping duty order.<sup>2</sup>

On November 13, 2017, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** a

<sup>1</sup> See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review*, 82 FR 41595 (September 1, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> See Letter from the petitioner, regarding "Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks from Mexico: Request For Administrative Review," dated October 2, 2017.