allow 30 days for posting of comments submitted by mail).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Curtis E. Glover, Sr., Procurement Analyst, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA, telephone 202–501–1448, or via email at *curtis.glover@gsa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

Under Federal contracts requiring that equipment (*e.g.,* pumps, fans, generators, chillers, etc.) be installed in a project, the Government must determine that the equipment meets the contract requirements. Therefore, the contractor must submit sufficient data on the particular equipment to allow the Government to analyze the item.

The Government uses the submitted data to determine whether or not the equipment meets the contract requirements in the categories of performance, construction, and durability. This data is placed in the contract file and used during the inspection of the equipment when it arrives on the project and when it is made operable.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

The information collection requirement at FAR clause 52.236–5 has decreased based on information from the FY 2017 FPDS database which shows a lower number of estimated respondents that are subject to the clause.

Respondents: 1,377.
Responses per Respondent: 2.0.
Annual Responses: 2,754.
Hours per Response: .25.
Total Burden Hours: 689.

C. Public Comments

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202–501–4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000–0062, Material and Workmanship, in all correspondence.

Dated: March 7, 2018.

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Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, Office of Governmentwide Acquisition Policy, Office of Acquisition Policy, Office of Governmentwide Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000–0163; Docket 2018–0003; Sequence 3]

Information Collection; Small Business Size Re-Representation

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Regulatory Secretariat Division will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for approval of a previously approved information collection requirement regarding small business size re-representation.

DATES: Submit comments on or before: May 14, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments identified by Information Collection 9000–0163, Small Business Size Re-representation, by any of the following methods:

- *Regulations.gov: http://www.regulations.gov.* Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching the OMB Control number 9000–0163. Select the link ''Comment Now'' that corresponds with ''Information Collection 9000–0163, Small Business Size Re-representation''. Follow the instructions provided on the screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and ''Information Collection 9000–0163, Small Business Size Re-representation'' on your attached document.
- *Mail:* General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405. ATTN: Ms. Mandell/IC 9000–0163, Small Business Size Re-representation.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite ''Information Collection 9000–0163, Small Business Size Re-representation,'' in all correspondence related to this collection. Comments received generally will be posted without change to *http://www.regulations.gov,* including any personal and/or business confidential information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check *www.regulations.gov,* approximately two-to-three days after submission to verify posting (except allow 30 days for posting of comments submitted by mail).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Janet Fry, Procurement Analyst, Office of Government-wide Policy, contact via telephone 703–605–3167 or email *janet.fry@gsa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 19.301 and the FAR clause at 52.219–28, Post-Award Small Business Program Re-representation, implement the Small Business Administration's (SBA's) regulation at 13 CFR 121.404(g), requiring that a concern that initially represented itself as small at the time of its initial offer must recertify its status as a small business under the following circumstances:

- Within thirty days of an approved contract novation;
- Within thirty days in the case of a merger or acquisition, where contract novation is not required; or
- Within 120 days prior to the end of the fifth year of a contract, and no more than 120 days prior to the exercise of any option thereafter.

The implementation of SBA's regulation in FAR 19.301 and the FAR clause at 52.219–28 require that contractors re-represent size status by updating their representations at the prime contract level in the Representations and Certifications section of the System for Award Management (SAM) and notifying the contracting officer that it has made the required update.

The purpose of implementing small business re-representations in the FAR is to ensure that small business size status is accurately represented and reported over the life of long-term contracts. The FAR also provides for provisions designed to ensure more accurate reporting of size status for contracts that are novated, or performed

by small businesses that have merged with or been acquired by another business. This information is used by the SBA, Congress, Federal agencies and the general public for various reasons such as determining if agencies are meeting statutory goals, set-aside determinations, and market research.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

An upward adjustment is being made to the estimated annual reporting burden since the last notice regarding an extension for this clearance published on May 4, 2015 in the **Federal Register** at 80 FR 25293. Based on fiscal year 2017 re-representation modification data from the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS), the number of annual respondents has increased from 1,700 to 2,200.

Respondents: 2,200.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Total Number of Responses: 2,200.

Hours per Response: 0.5.

Total Burden Hours: 1,100.

C. Public Comments

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202–501–4755.

Please cite OMB Control No. 9000–0163, Small Business Size Re-representation, in all correspondence.

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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 ''*Ambulatory Surgery Center Survey on Patient Safety Culture Database.*''

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by May 14, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: Doris Lefkowitz, Reports Clearance Officer, AHRQ, by email at *doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov.*

Copies of the proposed collection plans, data collection instruments, and specific details on the estimated burden can be obtained from the AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposed Project

Ambulatory Surgery Center Survey on Patient Safety Culture Database

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection. Ambulatory surgery centers (ASCs) are a fast-growing health care setting, demonstrating tremendous growth both in the volume and complexity of procedures being performed. ASCs provide surgical services to patients who are not expected to need an inpatient stay following surgery. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) defines ASCs as distinct entities that operate exclusively to provide surgical services to patients who do not require hospitalization and are not expected to need to stay in a surgical facility longer than 24 hours.

How AHRQ's Mission and Directives Relate to ASCs. As described in its 1999 reauthorizing legislation, Congress directed AHRQ to enhance the quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of health services, as well as access to such services, by establishing a broad base of scientific research and promoting clinical and health systems practice improvements. The legislation also directed AHRQ to ''conduct and support research, evaluations, and training, support demonstration projects, research networks, and multidisciplinary centers, provide technical assistance, and disseminate information on health care and on systems for the delivery of such care, including activities with respect to health statistics, surveys, database development, and epidemiology.'' 42 U.S.C. 299a(a)(8).

Shortly after Congress enacted this legislation, the Institute of Medicine (IOM) published ''To Err is Human,'' a seminal report on medical errors that connected the dots between errors and workplace culture. In it, the IOM called for health care organizations to develop a ''culture of safety'' such that staffing and system processes are aligned to improve the reliability and safety of patient care. This appeal for safety culture improvements directly relates to AHRQ's legislative directive and mission (*i.e.,* ''to produce evidence to make health care safer, higher quality, more accessible, equitable, and affordable, and to work within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and with other partners to make sure that the evidence is understood and used''). Given its legislatively mandated role, AHRQ is uniquely positioned to support data collection and analyses that will help fuel ASC patient safety culture improvements.

The expanding volume and scope of ASC services, the growing attention of federal regulators on patient safety within ASCs, and the resultant implications for public health has prompted AHRQ to present this application to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). In this request, AHRQ seeks OMB approval to expand its Surveys on Patient Safety Culture™ (SOPS™) program by creating an ASC SOPS Database to capture and report on ASC SOPS data voluntarily submitted by ASCs that have administered the ASC SOPS. This is the newest database for the SOPS program and would be modeled after four other SOPS databases developed by AHRQ: Hospital SOPS [OMB NO. 0935–0162; last approved 10/18/2016]; Medical Office SOPS [OMB NO. 0935–0196; last approved 08/25/15]; Nursing Home SOPS [OMB NO. 0935–0195; last approved 09/30/15]; and Community Pharmacy SOPS [OMB NO. 0935–0218; last approved 06/26/17].