DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID DOD–2018–OS–0048]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, DoD.

ACTION: Information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by October 1, 2018.

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


Mail: Department of Defense, Office of the Chief Management Officer, Directorate for Oversight and Compliance, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24, Suite 08D09, Alexandria, VA 22350–1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title 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: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to OUSD (Personnel and Readiness) Office of Total Force Planning & Requirements, ATTN: Mr. Thomas Hessel, 4000 Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301, or call (703) 697–3402.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: DoD Enterprise-Wide Contractor Manpower Reporting Application (ECMRA); OMB Control Number 0704–0491.

Needs and Uses: This information collection is necessary to achieve the collection of direct labor hours and associated costs in order to meet the requirements set for the DoD by section 2330a of Title 10, United States Code. Furthermore, ECMRA collections enable DoD organizations to understand the extent of contracted support, the associated level of effort in achieving mission, the reliance on contracted services necessary to facilitate their workforce planning processes, and to support statutory requirements set forth in sections 115a, 129a, 235, 2461, and 2463 of Title 10, United States Code.

Affected Public: Businesses or Other For-Profit.

Annual Burden Hours: 583.33 hours.
Number of Respondents: 7,000.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 7,000.
Average Burden per Response: 5 minutes.

Frequency: Annually.

Dated: July 26, 2018.

Shelly E. Finke,
Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.
The Honorable Paul D. Ryan  
Speaker of the House  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC  20515  

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 18-0A. This report relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 11-05 of 1 February 2011.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Hooper  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Director

Enclosures:  
1. Transmittal
REPORT OF ENHANCEMENT OR UPGRADE OF SENSITIVITY OF TECHNOLOGY OR CAPABILITY (SEC. 36(B)(5)(C), AECA)

(i) Purchaser: Australia
(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 11–05
   Date: February 1, 2011
   Military Department: Navy
(iii) Description: On February 1, 2011, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 11–05 of the Government of Australia’s request for ten year Through-Life-Support (TLS) for Australia’s fleet of twenty-four (24) MH–60R helicopters. The sustainment effort includes spare and repair parts provisioning, support and test equipment, publications and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost was $1.6 billion, with no Major Defense Equipment (MDE).

   This transmittal includes the extension of the sustainment support through June 2028 as requested by Australia and includes additional spare parts. There is no increase in MDE cost. The case value will increase from $1.6 billion to $2.8 billion.

   (iv) Significance: The proposed sale will allow Australia to effectively maintain its current force projection capability that enhances interoperability with U.S. forces well into the future.

   (v) Justification: This sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of an important major non-NATO ally and partner who contributes significantly to peacekeeping, humanitarian, and combat operations around the world.

   (vi) Date Report Delivered to Congress: July 10, 2018.