

for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) The accuracy of the Bureau's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methods and the 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. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be reviewed by OMB as part of its review of this request. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: December 18, 2018.

Darrin A. King,

Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number **DARS-2018-0034**; OMB Control Number **0704-0231**]

Information Collection Requirement; (DFARS) Part 237, Service Contracting, Associated DFARS Clauses at DFARS 252.237, DD Form 2062, and DD Form 2063; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Defense Acquisition Regulations System has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by January 22, 2019.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 237, Service Contracting, associated DFARS Clauses at DFARS 252.237, DD Form 2062, and DD Form 2063; OMB Control Number 0704-0231.

Affected Public: Businesses and other for-profit and not-for-profit entities.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Reporting Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Respondents: 2,737.

Responses per Respondent: 1.5, approximately.

Annual Responses: 4,019.

Average Burden per Response: 1.5, approximately.

Annual Response Burden Hours: 6,051.

Needs and Uses: The information collected under this clearance is used as follows:

a. The information collected pursuant to DFARS provision 252.237-7000(c) is used to verify that the offeror is properly licensed in the state or other political jurisdiction where the offeror operates its professional practice.

b. DFARS 252.237-7011, the DD Form 2062, Record of Preparation and Disposition of Remains (DoD Mortuary Facility), and the DD Form 2063, Record of Preparation and Disposition of Remains (Within CONUS), are used to verify that the deceased's remains have been properly cared for by the mortuary contractor.

c. The written plan required by DFARS provision 252.237-7024, submitted by offerors concurrently with the proposal or offer, allows the contracting officer to assess the offeror's capability to continue providing contractually required services to support the DoD component's mission essential functions in an emergency.

d. The information collected pursuant to DFARS clause 252.237-7023 allows the contracting officer to provide approval of updates to the contractor's plan provided under DFARS clause 252.237-7024, to ensure that the contractor can continue to provide services in support of the DoD component's required mission essential functions in an emergency.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jasmeet Seehra.

Comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Jasmeet Seehra, DoD Desk Officer, at Oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please identify the proposed information collection by DoD Desk Officer and the Docket ID number and title of the information collection.

You may also submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by the following method:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

DoD Clearance Officer: Mr. Frederick C. Licari.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Licari at: WHS/ESD

Directives Division, 4800 Mark Center Drive, 2nd Floor, East Tower, Suite 03F09, Alexandria, VA 22350-3100.

Jennifer Lee Hawes,

Regulatory Control Officer, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers

Notice of Availability of The Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study—Brandon Road Integrated Feasibility Study and Environmental Impact Statement—Will County, Illinois

AGENCY: Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Rock Island and Chicago Districts, are extending the comment period for the report "The Great Lakes and Mississippi River Interbasin Study (GLMRIS)—Brandon Road Integrated Feasibility Study and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)—Will County, Illinois," (Final GLMRIS-Brandon Road Report & EIS) for 14 days in response to stakeholder requests for an extension, from December 24, 2018 to January 7, 2019.

DATES: The comment period is extended for the Final GLMRIS-Brandon Road Report & EIS published in the **Federal Register** on November 23, 2018 (83 FR 59378).

ADDRESSES: The Final GLMRIS-Brandon Road Report & EIS are posted at <https://www.mvr.usace.army.mil/GLMRIS-BR>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District, ATTN: GLMRIS-Brandon Road EIS, Clock Tower Building, P.O. Box 2004, Rock Island, IL 61204-2004.; or contact online at <https://www.mvr.usace.army.mil/GLMRIS-BR>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The USACE is issuing this notice pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 4332 *et seq.*) and the Council on Environmental Quality regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA (43 CFR parts 1500 through 1508). This notice announces the availability of the final GLMRIS-Brandon Road EIS. The Final GLMRIS-Brandon Road Report & EIS, its appendices, and other supporting documents can be accessed

at: <https://www.mvr.usace.army.mil/GLMRIS-BR>.

Background Information

The Draft GLMRIS-Brandon Road EIS was released on August 18, 2017, and included a 112-day public comment period that ended on December 8, 2017. During that time, USACE held four meetings to solicit comments from the public. USACE analyzed the comments received from the public (Appendix K) and considered them in preparation of the Final GLMRIS-Brandon Road EIS. This EIS provided the necessary information for the public to fully evaluate a range of alternatives designed to meet the purpose and need of the Final GLMRIS-Brandon Road Report & EIS and to provide thoughtful and meaningful comment for the Agency's consideration.

The Final GLMRIS-Brandon Road Report & EIS identifies six alternatives including no new action (continuing current efforts); the nonstructural alternative; and three technology alternatives using an electric barrier and/or acoustic fish deterrent and lock closure. The effectiveness of these alternatives was considered against the three different modes of ANS transport, swimming, floating, and hitchhiking. Selection of a Recommended Plan required careful evaluation of each alternative's (1) reduction in the probability of establishment in the Great Lakes Basin, (2) relative life safety risk, (3) system performance robustness and (4) costs, which include construction; mitigation; operation and maintenance, repair, replacement and rehabilitation; and navigation impacts. Evaluation also included careful consideration of cost effectiveness and incremental cost analyses, significance of the Great Lakes Basin's ecosystem, acceptability, completeness, efficiency, and effectiveness. Based on the results of the evaluation and comparison of the alternatives, the Recommended Plan is the Technology Alternative—Acoustic Fish Deterrent with Electric Barrier, which includes the following measures: Nonstructural measures, acoustic fish deterrent, bubble curtain, engineered channel, electric barrier, flushing lock, and boat ramps. The Final GLMRIS-Brandon Road Report & EIS identifies potential significant adverse impacts that alternatives may have on existing uses and users of the waterways.

Dated: December 14, 2018.

Dennis W. Hamilton,
Chief, Programs and Project Management
Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Inventions; Available for Licensing

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy (DoN) announces the availability of the inventions listed below, assigned to the United States Government, as represented by the Secretary of the Navy, for domestic and foreign licensing by the Department of the Navy.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The inventions listed below are available for licensing: U.S. Patent Number 6,664,915 entitled "Identification Friend or Foe System Including Short Range UV Shield" issued on December 16, 2003; U.S. Patent Number 7,661,271 entitled "Integrated Electric Gas Turbine" issued on February 16, 2010; U.S. Patent Number 6,600,694 entitled "Digital Signal Processor Based Torpedo Counter-measure" issued on July 29, 2003; U.S. Patent Number 6,820,025 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Motion Tracking of an Articulated Rigid Body" issued on November 16, 2004; U.S. Patent Number 6,717,525 entitled "Tactical Vectoring Equipment (TVE)" issued on April 6, 2004; U.S. Patent Number 6,624,780 entitled "False Target Radar Image Generator for Countering Wideband Imaging Radars" issued on September 23, 2003; U.S. Patent Number 7,725,595 entitled "Embedded Communications System and Method" issued on May 25, 2010; U.S. Patent Number 8,443,101 entitled "Method for Identifying and Blocking Embedded Communications" issued on May 14, 2013; U.S. Patent Number 7,675,198 entitled "Inductive Pulse Forming Network for High-current, High-power Applications" issued on March 9, 2010; U.S. Patent Number 8,018,096 entitled "Inductive Pulse Forming Network for High-current, High-power Applications" issued September 13, 2011; U.S. Patent Number 7,089,148 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Motion Tracking of an Articulated Rigid Body" issued August 8, 2006; U.S. Patent Number 8,085,817 entitled "Automatic Clock Synchronization and Distribution Circuit for Counter Clock Flow Pipelined Systems" issued December 27, 2011; U.S. Patent Number 8,019,090 entitled "Active Feedforward Noise Vibration Control System" issued September 13, 2011; U.S. Patent Number 8,064,541 entitled "Hyperphase Shift Keying" issued November 22,

2011; U.S. Patent Number 8,050,849 entitled "Method to Reduce Fuel Consumption by Naval Vessels that Operate in Mixed Propulsion Modes" issued November 1, 2011; U.S. Patent Number 8,006,937 entitled "Spacecraft Docking Interface Mechanism" issued August 30, 2011; U.S. Patent Number 7,811,918 entitled "Electric Current Induced Liquid Metal Flow and Metallic Conformal Coating of Conductive Templates" issued on October 12, 2010; U.S. Patent Number 8,467,548 entitled "Miniature Directional Sound Sensor Using Micro-Electro-Mechanical-System (MEMS)" issued on June 18, 2013; U.S. Patent Number 8,579,535 entitled "Micro-coupling Active Release Mechanism" issued on November 12, 2013; U.S. Patent Number 9,003,627 entitled "Micro-coupling Active Release Mechanism" issued on April 14, 2015; U.S. Patent Number 8,654,672 entitled "Method for Optimal Transmitter Placement in Wireless Mesh Networks" issued on February 18, 2014; U.S. Patent Number 8,473,826 entitled "Hybrid Soft Decision Hard Decision Reed-Solomon Decoding" issued June 25, 2013; U.S. Patent Number 8,433,959 entitled "Method for Determining Hard Drive Contents Through Statistical Drive Sampling" issued on April 30, 2013; U.S. Patent Number 8,446,096 entitled "Terahertz (THz) Reverse Micromagnetron" issued on May 21, 2013; U.S. Patent Number 8,624,497 entitled "Terahertz (THz) Reverse Micromagnetron" issued on January 7, 2014; U.S. Patent Number 8,724,598 entitled "Method for Energy-efficient, Traffic-adaptive, Flow-specific Medium Access For Wireless Networks" issued on May 13, 2014; U.S. Patent Number 8,269,658 entitled "Photonic Analog-to-Digital Conversion Using the Robust Symmetrical Number System" issued on September 18, 2012; U.S. Patent Number 9,194,379 entitled "Field Ionization Based Electrical Space Ion Thruster Using A Permeable Substrate" issued on November 24, 2015; U.S. Patent Number 8,800,930 entitled "Aerial Delivery System with High Accuracy Touchdown" issued on August 12, 2014; U.S. Patent Number 8,730,098 entitled "Method for Radar Detection of Persons Wearing Wires" issued on May 20, 2014; U.S. Patent Number 8,525,393 entitled "Bimaterial Microelectromechanical System (MEMS) Solar Power Generator" issued on September 3, 2013; U.S. Patent Number 8,526,746 entitled "Near Lossless Data Compression Method Using Nonuniform Sampling" issued on September 3, 2013; U.S. Patent Number 8,489,256 entitled "Automatic Parafoil