

includes the time to gather the necessary information, prepare the appropriate documents, and submit the information to the USPTO.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours:* 211,639 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Non-Hour Cost Burden:* \$39,702,140.

*Needs and Uses:* The United States Patent and Trademark Office administers the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1051 *et seq.*, which provides for the Federal registration of trademarks, service marks, collective trademarks and service marks, collective membership marks, and certification marks.

Individuals and businesses that use or intend to use such marks in commerce may file an application to register their mark with the USPTO. Such individuals and businesses may also submit various communications to the USPTO during the prosecution of an application.

This information collection covers the various communications that may be submitted by the applicant, including providing additional information needed to process a request to delete a particular filing basis from an application or to divide an application identifying multiple goods and/or services into two or more separate applications. This information collection also covers requests for a 6-month extension of time to file a statement that the mark is in use in commerce or petitions to revive an application that abandoned for failure to submit a timely response to an office action or a timely statement of use or extension request. In some circumstances, an applicant may expressly abandon an application by filing a written request for withdrawal of the application.

The USPTO amended its regulations to set, increase, or decrease certain trademark fees, to become effective January 2, 2021, including the fees in this information collection.

*Affected Public:* Private sector; individuals or households.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

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

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

Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under

30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the information collection or the OMB Control Number 0651-0054.

Further information can be obtained by:

- *Email:* [InformationCollection@uspto.gov](mailto:InformationCollection@uspto.gov). Include "0651-0054 information request" in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Kimberly Hardy, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

**Kimberly Hardy,**

*Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.*

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## COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

### Guiding Principles for Sustainable Federal Buildings and Associated Instructions

**AGENCY:** Council on Environmental Quality.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** Consistent with Executive Order, "Efficient Federal Operations," and the "Implementing Instructions for Executive Order 13834 Efficient Federal Operations," the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) has issued updated guidance to Federal agencies titled, "Guiding Principles for Sustainable Federal Buildings and Associated Instructions" (Guidance).

**DATES:** CEQ issued the Guiding Principles for Sustainable Federal Buildings and Associated Instructions on December 23, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** The Guiding Principles for Sustainable Federal Buildings and Associated Instructions are available at <https://www.sustainability.gov/resources.html>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dee Siegel, Deputy Chief Sustainability Officer, Office of Federal Sustainability, at [dee\\_s\\_siegel@ceq.eop.gov](mailto:dee_s_siegel@ceq.eop.gov) or (202) 395-5750.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Consistent with Executive Order 13834, "Efficient Federal Operations,"<sup>1</sup> and the "Implementing Instructions for Executive Order 13834 Efficient Federal

Operations,"<sup>2</sup> CEQ has issued Guidance number CEQ-OFS-2020-1 to assist Federal agencies in designing, locating, constructing, maintaining, and operating Federal buildings in a sustainable manner that increases efficiency and optimizes performance, consistent with their missions. The Guidance provides new flexibilities regarding the use of third-party green building certification systems, and provides a consistent government-wide portfolio approach for Federal agencies to design, mitigate, and measure the impact of their buildings. The Guidance replaces and supersedes the following CEQ guidance documents: (1) "Guiding Principles for Sustainable Federal Buildings and Associated Instructions" (February 2016); (2) "Guidance for Federal Agencies on Sustainable Practices for Designed Landscapes" (October 2011) and addendum titled "Supporting the Health of Honey Bees and Other Pollinators" (October 2014); and (3) "Implementing Instructions—Sustainable Locations for Federal Facilities" (September 2011). CEQ rescinds these prior guidance documents. The Guidance applies only to Federal agencies, operations, and programs. Agencies are expected to follow the "Guiding Principles for Sustainable Federal Buildings and Associated Instructions" as part of their compliance with E.O. 13834.

(Authority: E.O. 13834, 83 FR 23771)

**Mary B. Neumayr,**  
*Chairman.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket DARS-2020-0047; OMB Control Number 0750-0003]

### Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Requests for Reimbursement Under Section 3610 of the CARES Act

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

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<sup>2</sup> 84 FR 19056 (May 3, 2019), [https://www.sustainability.gov/pdfs/eo13834\\_instructions.pdf](https://www.sustainability.gov/pdfs/eo13834_instructions.pdf).

<sup>1</sup> 83 FR 23771 (May 22, 2018).

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. *DoD invites comments on:* Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the 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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection requirement for use through February 28, 2021. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use for three additional years beyond the current expiration date.

**DATES:** DoD will consider all comments received by March 1, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0750-0003, using any of the following methods:

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

- *Email:* [osd.dfars@mail.mil](mailto:osd.dfars@mail.mil). Include OMB Control Number 0750-0003 in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Attn: Ms. Carrie Moore, OUSD(A&S)DPC/DARS, Room 3B938, 3060 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3060.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Carrie Moore, 571-372-6093.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title and OMB Control Number:* Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), Requests for Reimbursement under Section 3610 of the CARES Act; OMB Control Number 0750-0003.

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

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

*Number of Respondents:* 16,224.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.5 approximately.

*Annual Responses:* 24,337.

*Average Burden per Response:* 63 hours approximately.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1,523,053.

*Reporting Frequency:* On Occasion.

*Needs and Uses:* Section 3610 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act (Pub. L. 116-136), enacted on March 27, 2020, authorizes, but does not require, contracting officers to modify contracts and other agreements, without consideration, to reimburse contractors for paid leave a contractor provides to keep its employees or subcontractors in a ready state, including to protect the life and safety of Government and contractor personnel, during the public health emergency declared for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19).

A contractor request for reimbursement under section 3610 must include sufficient documentation to support the request and enable the contracting officer to determine whether a contractor is eligible for reimbursement under section 3610 and, if so, the amount of reimbursement to provide to a contractor. Contractors' requests for reimbursement under section 3610 will vary in dollar amount and complexity; as such, so will the amount and type of information needed from a contractor to support their reimbursement request. Based on this variation, contracting officers will use one of three DoD reimbursement checklists to advise contractors of the information needed to support their request. The information described in the checklists is necessary to collect from contractors in order to ensure that contracting officers are able to determine whether to approve the request for reimbursement and expediently modify the affected contract(s) for the authorized reimbursement amount.

Section 3610 also requires that any reimbursements made under its authority are reduced by the amount of credit a contractor is allowed under other provisions of the CARES Act and division G of the Families First Coronavirus Response (FFRCA) (Pub. L. 116-127). As the status of such credits may not be known at the time of reimbursement, DFARS clause 252.243-7999, Section 3610 Reimbursement (Deviation 2020-00021), requires contractors to notify the contracting officer of any credits received after receiving reimbursement under section 3610 and make any repayment, as necessary, to comply with the requirements of section 3610. This information is necessary so that

contracting officers may comply with the provisions of section 3610.

**Jennifer D. Johnson,**

*Regulatory Control Officer, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS-2020-0046; OMB Control Number 0704-0214]

#### Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement Part 217, Special Contracting Methods, and Related Clauses at 252.217

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. *DoD invites comments on:* Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the 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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection requirement for use through April 30, 2021. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for three additional years beyond the current expiration date.

**DATES:** DoD will consider all comments received by March 1, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0704-0214, using any of the following methods:

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