including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; and
(c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be
collected; and
(d) Minimize the burden of the collection on those who are to respond,
including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or
other technological collection techniques or other forms of information
technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

All comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public
record. The USPTO will include or summarize each comment in the request
to OMB to approve this information collection. Before including an address,
phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information (PII) in
a comment, be aware that the entire comment—including PII—may be made
publicly available at any time. While you may ask in your comment to
withhold PII from public view, the USPTO cannot guarantee that it will be
to do so.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY
COMMISSION

[Docket No. CPSC–2021–0020]

Agency Information Collection
Activities; Proposed Collection;
Comment Request; Hazard Warning
Communication Survey

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety
Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Consumer Product Safety
Commission (CPSC) is announcing an
opportunity for public comment on a
new proposed collection of information
by the agency. Under the Paperwork
Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), federal
agencies are required to publish notice
in the Federal Register for each
proposed collection of information, and
to allow 60 days for public comment in
response to the notice. This notice
solicits comments on a proposed survey
to assess how hazard warnings are
communicated to consumers. The
Commission will consider all comments
received in response to this notice
before submitting this collection of
information to the Office of
Management and Budget (OMB) for
approval.

DATES: Submit written or electronic
comments on the collection of
information by September 24, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments,
identified by Docket No. CPSC–2021–
0020, by any of the following methods:

Electronic Submissions: Submit
electronic comments to the Federal
eRulemaking Portal at: https://
www.regulations.gov. Follow the
instructions for submitting comments.
CPSC does not accept comments
submitted by electronic mail (email),
except through https://
www.regulations.gov and as described
below. CPSC encourages you to submit
electronic comments by using the
Federal eRulemaking Portal.

Mail/hand delivery/courier Written
Submissions: Submit comments by
mail/hand delivery/courier to: Division
of the Secretariat, Consumer Product
Safety Commission, 4330 East-West
Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814;
telephone: (301) 504–7479.
Alternatively, as a temporary option
during the COVID–19 pandemic, you
may email such submissions to: cpsc-
os@cpsc.gov.

Instructions: All submissions must
include the agency name and docket
number for this notice. CPSC may post
all comments received without change,
including any personal identifiers,
contact information, or other personal
information provided, to: https://
www.regulations.gov. Do not submit
electronically: Confidential business
information, trade secret information,
or other sensitive or protected information
that you do not want to be available
to the public. If you wish to submit such
information, please submit it according
to the instructions for mail/hand
delivery/courier written submissions.

Docket: For access to the docket to
read background documents or
comments received, go to: https://
CPSC–2021–0020 into the “Search” box,
and follow the prompts. A copy of the
proposed survey is available at: http://
www.regulations.gov under Docket No.
CPSC–2021–0020, Supporting and
Related Material.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; (301)
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cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under
the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), federal
agencies must obtain approval from
OMB for each collection of information
they conduct or sponsor. “Collection of
information” is defined in 44 U.S.C.
3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and
includes agency proposed surveys.
Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44
U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires federal
agencies to provide a 60-day notice in
the Federal Register concerning each
proposed collection of information
before submitting the collection to OMB
for approval. Accordingly, CPSC is
publishing notice of the proposed
collection of information set forth in
this document.

A. Hazard Warning Communication
Survey

CPSC is authorized under section 5(a)
of the Consumer Product Safety Act
(CPSA), 15 U.S.C. 2054(a), to conduct
studies and investigations relating to the
causes and prevention of deaths,
accidents, injuries, illnesses, other
health impairments, and economic
losses associated with consumer
products. Section 5(b) of the CPSA, 15
U.S.C. 2054(b), further provides that
CPSC may conduct research, studies,
and investigations on the safety of
consumer products, and develop
product safety test methods and testing
devices.

CPSC proposes to conduct an online
survey to gather data on consumer risk
perception and response to hazard
communications from 5,000
respondents. The study population will
be comprised of individuals age 18 and
over from across the United States. In
this proposed survey, CPSC seeks
information about consumer product
use, including, but not limited to, the
following topics:

• Consumers’ beliefs, experiences,
and tendencies regarding product safety;
• whether consumers pay attention to
instructions that come with products;
• whether consumers read safety
information and labels;
• to what extent consumers comply
with safety messages;
• how product type influences
consumers’ attitude and behavior;
• what information resources
consumers rely on before buying a
product;
• how product safety ranks among
other factors consumers consider;
• reasons consumers comply or do
not comply with the safety messages;
and
• how consumers respond if they
encounter a safety recall of the product
they own.

CPSC has contracted with Carahsoft/
Qualtrics, to develop and execute this
project for CPSC. Information obtained
through this survey is not intended to be
considered nationally representative.
The panel provider will monitor respondents, and if a particular demographic is trending highly, the panel provider will slow down the sample for that segment and will focus on obtaining responses from others to ensure recruitment for U.S. census-matched survey participants from the Midwest, Northeast, South, and West regions. The panel provider will also monitor respondents to ensure that underserved populations are represented in the sample and that insights are collected from a diverse population.

CPSC intends to use the study findings to develop a better understanding of the mechanisms and types of safety messages that consumers receive, how they respond, and what affects their response. Specifically, responses to the items in this survey will provide CPSC staff with information on whether consumers read and comply with various types of safety information that comes with products they use; the causes of consumer noncompliance with product safety information; whether consumers share product safety information with other users of their products; what sources of information they rely on to decide if a product is safe to use; whether safety is a priority in their purchasing decisions; how they responded to safety notices and recalls in the past; reasons for noncompliance with safety notices and recalls; and if and how the product type affects their risk perception and behaviors. Findings from this survey will provide CPSC with information on ways to increase consumer understanding of, and adherence to, safety messaging and help CPSC develop more effective messaging that will convey critical information about product hazards.

B. Burden Hours

We estimate the number of respondents to the survey to be 5,000. The online survey for the proposed study will take approximately 15 minutes (0.25 hours) to complete. We estimate the total annual burden hours for respondents to be 1,250 hours. The monetized hourly cost is $38.60, as defined by total compensation for all civilian workers, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employer Costs for Employee Compensation, as of December 2020. Accordingly, we estimate the total cost burden to be $48,250 (1,250 hours × $38.60). The total cost to the federal government for the contract to design and conduct the proposed survey is $150,978.

C. Request for Comments

CPSC invites comments on these topics:

- Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of CPSC’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- The accuracy of CPSC’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

Alberta E. Mills,
Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Eddie Ahmad, Procurement Analyst, Division of Procurement Services, Division of Procurement Services, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814. Telephone: 301–504–7884; email: aahmad@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 16, 2009, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010 (Consolidated Appropriations Act), Public Law 111–117, became law. Section 743(a) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, titled, “Service Contract Inventory Requirement,” requires agencies to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), an annual inventory of service contracts awarded or extended through the exercise of an option on or after April 1, 2010, and describes the contents of the inventory. The contents of the inventory must include:

(A) A description of the services purchased by the executive agency and the role the services played in achieving agency objectives, regardless of whether such a purchase was made through a contract or task order;
(B) The organizational component of the executive agency administering the contract, and the organizational component of the agency whose requirements are being met through contractor performance of the service;
(C) The total dollar amount obligated for services under the contract and the funding source for the contract;
(D) The total dollar amount invoiced for services under the contract;
(E) The contract type and date of award;
(F) The name of the contractor and place of performance;
(G) The number and work location of contractor and subcontractor employees, expressed as full-time equivalents for direct labor, compensated under the contract;
(H) Whether the contract is a personal services contract; and
(I) Whether the contract was awarded on a noncompetitive basis, regardless of date of award.

Section 743(a)(3)(A) through (I) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act. Section 743(c) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act requires agencies to “publish in the Federal Register a notice that the inventory is available to the public.”

Consequently, through this notice, we are announcing that the CPSC’s service contract inventory for FY 2019 is available to the public. The inventory provides information on service contract actions of more than $25,000 that the CPSC made in FY 2019. The information is organized by function to show how contracted resources are distributed throughout the CPSC. OMB posted a consolidated government-wide Service Contract Inventory for FY 2019 at https://www.acquisition.gov/service-contract-inventory. You can access the CPSC’s inventories by limiting the “Contracting Agency Name” field on each spreadsheet to “Consumer Product Safety Commission.”

Additionally, CPSC’s Division of Procurement Services has posted