DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Public Wireless Supply Chain Innovation Fund Grant Program Forms

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the Federal Register on October 4, 2023 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), Commerce.

Title: Public Wireless Supply Chain Innovation Fund Grant Program Forms.

OMB Control Number: 0660–0053.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Review: Regular Submission.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.


IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Sheleen Dumas,
Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Call for applications to serve on a Federal advisory committee.

SUMMARY: The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) is seeking applications to serve on the Department of Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee (“CSMAC” or “committee”) for a two-year term. The CSMAC provides advice to the Assistant
Secretary for Communications and Information and NTIA Administrator on spectrum policy matters.

DATES: Applications must be postmarked or electronically transmitted on or before January 31, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Persons may submit applications, with the information specified below, to Antonio Richardson, Designated Federal Officer, by email to arichardson@ntia.gov, or by U.S. mail or commercial delivery service to Office of Spectrum Management, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 4600, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Antonio Richardson at (202) 482–4156 or arichardson@ntia.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee is chartered by the Department of Commerce under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. app. 2, and pursuant to section 105(b) of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Organization Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 904(b). The committee will continue as provided in Executive Order 14109, effective September 29, 2023. The Department of Commerce re-chartered the CSMAC on November 21, 2023, for a two-year period. The CSMAC advises the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information on a broad range of issues regarding spectrum policy. In particular, the current charter calls for the committee to provide advice and recommendations on needed reforms to domestic spectrum policies and management to: (1) license radio frequencies in a way that maximizes their public benefit; (2) keep wireless networks as open to innovation as possible; and (3) make wireless services available to all Americans. The CSMAC functions solely as an advisory body in compliance with the FACA. Additional information about the CSMAC and its activities may be found at https://www.ntia.gov/category/csmac.

Under the terms of the committee’s charter, it will have no fewer than five (5) members and no more than thirty (30) members, who serve in the capacity of Special Government Employee (SGE). As SGEs, members must comply with certain Federal conflict-of-interest statutes and ethics regulations, including some financial disclosure requirements. Members will not receive compensation or reimbursement for travel or for per diem expenses. No member may be a registered Federal lobbyist, pursuant to the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.). See Office of Management and Budget, “Revised Guidance on Appointment of Lobbyists to Federal Advisory Committees, Boards, and Commissions”, 79 FR 47482 (Aug. 13, 2014). No member may be an agent of a foreign principal required to register pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended (codified at 22 U.S.C. 611 et seq.).

The Secretary of Commerce appoints members of the committee, who serve at the Secretary’s pleasure and discretion for up to a two-year term and may be reappointed for additional terms. NTIA currently seeks applicants for a new two-year term that will commence approximately in June 2024 and continue for two years from that date, subject to the anticipated timely renewal of the committee’s charter or its termination by proper authority. The committee’s membership will be fairly balanced in terms of the points of view represented by members and the functions to be performed. Accordingly, its membership will reflect a cross-section of interests in spectrum management and policy, including non-Federal spectrum users; State, regional, and local sectors; technology developers and manufacturers; academia; civil society; and service providers with customers in both domestic and international markets. A description of factors to be considered in determining each applicant’s expertise is contained in the committee’s Membership Balance Plan, available at https://www.ntia.gov/sites/default/files/2023-12/csmac-membership_balance_plan.pdf.

NTIA seeks applicants with strong technical and engineering knowledge and experience, familiarity with commercial or private wireless technologies and associated businesses, expertise with specific applications of wireless technologies. The Secretary may consider factors including, but not limited to, educational background, work history, academic accomplishments, and industry sector in which a member is currently or previously employed. All appointments are made without discrimination on the basis of age, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, disability, cultural, religious, or socioeconomic status. A diverse membership of the Committee assures expertise reflecting the breadth of the Committee’s responsibilities and, where possible, the Secretary will also consider special, and gender diversity and various abilities of the United States population.

Each application must include the applicant’s full name, address, telephone number, and email address, along with a summary of the applicant’s qualifications that identifies, with specificity, how his or her education, training, experience, expertise, or other factors would support the CSMAC’s work and how his or her participation would help achieve the balance factors described above. Each application must also include a detailed resume or curriculum vitae.

Stephanie Weiner, Chief Counsel, National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration 2024 NTIA Spectrum Policy Symposium

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), U.S. Department of Commerce, will host a public symposium on February 1, 2024, focusing on implementation of the National Spectrum Strategy, which the Executive Office of the President released on November 13, 2023.

DATES: The symposium will be held on February 1, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time (EST).

ADDRESSES: The symposium will take place at the National Press Club, located at 529 14th St. NW, Washington, DC 20045. The event also will be webcast through the NTIA website at https://www.ntia.gov/page/ntia-spectrum-policy-symposium.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Alden, Telecommunications Specialist, Office of Spectrum Management, NTIA, at (202) 482–8046 or spectrumsymposium@ntia.gov. Please direct media inquiries to NTIA’s Office of Public Affairs, (202) 482–7002; email: press@ntia.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NTIA serves as the President’s principal advisor on telecommunications policies and manages the use of the radio-frequency spectrum by federal agencies. See 47 U.S.C. 902(b)(2). NTIA is hosting a symposium to focus on implementing the National Spectrum Strategy released by the Executive Office of the President on November 13, 2023. The Strategy...