

Community Survey in 1997 and 1998. We also plan to add testing of procedures for identification, sampling, and data collection for special populations, i.e. American Indian reservations, military bases, college dormitories, and institutional group quarters such as hospitals.

The American Community Survey will include a national sample, the present survey sites, and additional sites in Douglas County, Nebraska; Otero County, New Mexico; Harris and Fort Bend Counties, Texas; and Franklin County, Ohio, including the entire city of Columbus.

## II. Method of Collection

In the urban areas, the Census Bureau will mail questionnaires to the households covered by the American Community Survey and request a response as soon as possible after receipt. In the rural sites where city-style addresses are not available, Field Representatives will deliver the questionnaires to the household. For those households not returning the questionnaire, we will collect household information by both telephone interview and personal visit. Participation of the selected households will be mandatory in accordance with the provisions of Title 13.

## III. Data

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*Form Number:* TACS-1/1A, TACS-10/10A, TACS-12(L)/12A(L), TACS-13(L)/13A(L), TACS-14(L)/14A(L), TACS-15(L), TACS-16(L), TACS-20/20A, TACS-30/30A.

*Type of Review:* Regular.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 135,000.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 67,500 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$19.5 million.

## IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (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 collections techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 15, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,

*Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.*

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## Company Organization Survey

**ACTION:** Proposed agency information collection activity; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before July 22, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Paul S. Hanczaryk, Bureau of the Census, Room 2546, Federal Building 3, Washington, DC 20233-6100; telephone (301) 457-2580.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Abstract

The Census Bureau conducts the annual Company Organization Survey (COS) in order to update and maintain a central, multipurpose business register, known as the Standard Statistical Establishment List (SSEL). In particular, the COS supplies critical information to the SSEL concerning the establishment composition, organizational structure, and operating characteristics of multiestablishment enterprises.

The SSEL serves two fundamental purposes:

- First and most important, it provides sampling populations and enumeration lists for the Census Bureau's economic surveys and censuses, and it serves as an integral part of the statistical foundation underlying those programs. Essential for this purpose is the SSEL's ability to identify all known United States business establishments and their parent enterprises. Further, the SSEL must accurately record basic business attributes needed to control sampling and enumeration. These attributes include industrial and geographic classifications, measures of size and economic activity, ownership characteristics, and contact information (for example, name and address).

- Second, it provides establishment data that serve as the basis for the annual County Business Patterns (CBP) statistical series. CBP reports present data on number of establishments, first quarter payroll, annual payroll, and mid-March employment summarized by industry and employment size class for the United States, states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, counties, and county-equivalents. No other annual or more frequent series of industry statistics provides comparable detail, particularly for small geographic areas.

The Census Bureau plans to revise the existing COS collection, which is approved through November 1997. This revision will not make substantive changes to the survey's content. Rather, it will amend instructions and add relatively short reference lists for respondents to use as guides when reporting updated industrial classifications for selected establishments. These changes will improve collection of classification information and obtain industry detail that is needed to prepare for implementation of the North American Industry Classification System in the 1997 Economic Censuses. The revised collection will employ procedures that the Census Bureau tested and used for the 1987 COS, when the agency implemented the most recent revision to the Standard Industrial Classification in conjunction with the 1987 Economic Censuses.

The planned change in the 1996 COS collection will affect reporting for some 120,000 establishments operated by approximately 30,000 multiestablishment enterprises. The impact on response burden for those enterprises should be small, and overall estimated response burden for the survey will actually decrease. The decrease is due primarily to a reduction in panel size made possible by improved methodology for selectively

targeting the collection to enterprises affected by changes in organization and/or operating characteristics.

A complementary collection, the 1997 Economic Censuses Refile Classification Survey, will obtain improved classification information from single-establishment enterprises and from selected small multiestablishment enterprises not covered by the 1996 COS. The Census Bureau will coordinate these collections so as to avoid duplication and minimize response burden on businesses.

## II. Method of Collection

The 1996 COS will direct inquiries to 85,000 multiestablishment enterprises, which operate 1.1 million establishments. This panel will be drawn from the SSEL universe of nearly 200,000 multiestablishment enterprises, which operate 1.5 million establishments. Additionally, the panel will include approximately 1,000 new payroll tax entities that have become active during 1996. The procedure for constructing the COS panel selectively targets enterprises that are most likely to report changes in organization and/or operating characteristics, and it also targets new payroll tax entities that are most likely to report affiliation with a multiestablishment enterprise. In general, the selection of these units is based on enterprise size/complexity and administrative records indications. Additionally, the panel will include a small probability sample of the multiestablishment enterprises not selected by the targeting procedure.

The survey is conducted by mail canvass. More than 300 larger enterprises (accounting for approximately 22 percent of covered establishments) return their COS reports by automated/electronic means. All other survey respondents return a paper questionnaire. Data content is identical for all reporting modes. The instrument includes inquiries on ownership or control by a domestic parent, ownership or control by a foreign parent, and ownership of foreign affiliates. Further, the instrument lists an inventory of establishments belonging to the enterprise and its subsidiaries, and it requests updates to the inventory, including additions, deletions, and changes to information on Federal employer identification number, name and address, industrial classification, end-of-year operating status, mid-March employment, first quarter payroll, and annual payroll.

## III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0444.  
Form Number: NC-9901.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.  
*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit institutions, not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 85,000 enterprises.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 1.7 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 144,500.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* Included in the total annual cost of the SSEL, which is estimated to be \$6.1 million for fiscal year 1996.

## IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (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 summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 15, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,

Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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## National Institute of Standards and Technology

### Computer System Security and Privacy Advisory Board; Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the Computer System Security and Privacy Advisory Board will meet Wednesday, June 12 and Thursday, June 13, 1996 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Advisory Board was established by the Computer Security Act of 1987 (P.L. 100-235) to advise the Secretary of Commerce and the Director of NIST on security and privacy issues

pertaining to federal computer systems. All sessions will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on June 12 and 13, 1996 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-0001.

## AGENDA:

- Welcome and Overview
- Issues Update
- Encryption Update
- Privacy Update
- Fingerprint Identification Briefing
- Pending Business
- Public Participation
- Agenda development for September meeting
- Wrap-up.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** The Board agenda will include a period of time, not to exceed thirty minutes, for oral comments and questions from the public. Each speaker will be limited to five minutes. Members of the public who are interested in speaking area asked to contact the Board Secretariat at the telephone number indicated below. In addition, written statements are invited and may be submitted to the Board at any time. Written statements should be directed to the Computer Systems Laboratory, Building 820, Room 426, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-0001. It would be appreciated if fifteen copies of written material were submitted for distribution to the Board by June 5, 1996. Approximately 20 seats will be available for the public and media.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. Edward Roback, Board Secretariat, Computer Systems Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Building 820, Room 426, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-0001, telephone: (301) 975-3696.

Dated: May 16, 1996.

Samuel Kramer,

Associate Director.

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## Announcement of an Opportunity To Join a Cooperative Research and Development Consortium for the Manufacturing Engineering Tool Kits Project

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)