

Payments Program Certificate, as prescribed in 225.1101(5), requires an offeror to list the item number and country of origin of any U.S. made (but not domestic), qualifying country, designated country, Caribbean Basin country, NAFTA country, or other nondesignated country end product that it intends to furnish under the contract.

DFARS 252.225-7009, Duty-Free Entry—Qualifying Country Supplies (End Products and Components), DFARS 252.225-7010, Duty-Free Entry—Additional Provisions, and DFARS 252.225-7037, Duty-Free Entry—Eligible End Products, as prescribed in 225.1101 (8), (9), and (14), respectively, require the contractor to notify the administrative contracting officer upon award of a subcontract for products that are eligible for duty-free entry, and to provide information in shipping documents and customs forms regarding products that are eligible for duty-free entry.

DFARS 252.225-7016, Restriction on Acquisition of Ball and Roller Bearings, as prescribed in 225.7019-4, requires the contractor to retain records showing compliance with the requirement that ball and roller bearings delivered under the contract must be wholly manufactured in the United States or Canada. The contractor must retain the records until 3 years after final payment and must make the records available upon request of the contracting officer. The contractor may request a waiver of the requirement in accordance with DFARS 225.7019-3, which also requires the contractor to submit a written plan for transitioning to domestically manufactured bearings, if the waiver is requested under a multiyear contract or a contract exceeding 12 months.

DFARS 252.225-7018, Notice of Prohibition of Certain Contracts with Foreign Entities for the Conduct of Ballistic Missile Defense RDT&E, as prescribed in 225.7011-5, gives notice of the statutory prohibition on award of a contract to a foreign government or firm, if the contract provides for the conduct of research, development, test, or evaluation in connection with the Ballistic Missile Defense Program. The provision requires an offeror to indicate whether it is or is not a U.S. firm.

DFARS 252.225-7020, Trade Agreements Certificate, as prescribed in 225.1101(10), requires an offeror to list the item number and country of origin of any nondesignated country end product that it intends to furnish under the contract.

DFARS 252.225-7025, Restriction on Acquisition of Forgings, as prescribed in 225.7102-4, requires the contractor to retain records showing compliance with

the requirement that end items and their components delivered under the contract must contain domestic forging items. The contractor must retain the records until 3 years after final payment and must make the records available upon request of the contracting officer. The contractor may request a waiver of the requirement in accordance with DFARS 225.7102-3.

DFARS 252.225-7026, Reporting of Contract Performance Outside the United States, as prescribed in 225.7203, requires the contractor to submit a report when any part of the contract that exceeds a specified dollar threshold will be performed outside the United States. The specified threshold is \$500,000 for contracts that exceed \$10 million, or the simplified acquisition threshold (\$100,000) for contracts that exceed \$500,000. The contractor may submit the report on DD Form 2139, Report of Contract Performance Outside the United States, or may use a computer-generated report that contains all information required by DD Form 2139.

DFARS 252.225-7032, Waiver of United Kingdom Levies, as prescribed in 225.873-3, requires an offeror to provide information to the contracting officer regarding any United Kingdom levies included in the offered price, and requires the contractor to provide information to the contracting officer regarding any United Kingdom levies to be included in a subcontract that exceeds \$1 million, before award of the subcontract.

DFARS 252.225-7035, Buy American Act—North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act—Balance of Payments Program Certificate, as prescribed in 225.1101(12), requires an offeror to list any qualifying country, NAFTA country, or other foreign end product that it intends to furnish under the contract.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed revision

of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3606(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed revision of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) 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 under OMB Control Numbers 0704-0332 (through June 30, 2001) and 0704-0412 (through July 31, 2003). This revision combines the requirements approved under OMB Control Numbers 0704-0332 and 0704-0412. DoD proposed that OMB extend its approval for use through June 30, 2004.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by December 26, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should submit written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Mrs. Susan L. Schneider, OUDS (AT&L) DP (DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telefax (703) 602-0350.

E-mail comments submitted via the Internet should be addressed to: dfars@acq.osd.mil.

Please cite OMB Control Number 0704-0332 in all correspondence related to this issue. E-mail comments should cite OMB Control Number 0704-0332 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Susan L. Schneider, at (703) 602-0326. The information collection requirements addressed in this notice are available electronically via the Internet at: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/dfars.html>. Paper copies are available from Mrs. Susan L. Schneider, OUSD (AT&L) DP (DAR), IMD 3C231, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Appendix I, DoD

Pilot Mentor-Protege Program; OMB Control Number 0704-0332.

Needs and Uses: DoD needs this information to evaluate whether the purposes of the DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program have been met. The purposes of the Program are to: (1) Provide incentives to major DoD contractors to assist protege firms in enhancing their capabilities to satisfy contract and subcontract requirements; (2) increase the overall participation of protege firms as subcontractors and suppliers; and (3) foster the establishment of long-term business relationships between protege firms and major DoD contractors. This Program implements Section 831 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101-510) and Section 811 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106-65) (10 U.S.C. 2302 note). Participation in the Program is voluntary.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Annual Burden Hours: 931 (includes 538 recordkeeping hours).

Number of Respondents: 269.

Responses Per Respondent: 3.

Annual Responses: 393.

Average Burden Per Response: 1 hour reporting; 3.7 hours recordkeeping.

Frequency: Semiannually (mentor); Annually (protege).

Summary of Information Collection

DFARS Appendix I-111(a) requires mentor firms to report on the progress made under active mentor-protege agreements semiannually for the periods ending March 31st and September 30th. The September 30th report must address the entire fiscal year. Reports must include—

(1) Data on performance under the mentor-protege agreement, including dollars obligated, expenditures, credit taken under the Program, small disadvantaged business (SDB) subcontract awards under DoD contracts, developmental assistance provided, impact of the agreement, and progress of the agreement; and

(2) For each contract where developmental assistance was credited toward an SDB subcontracting goal, a copy of Standard Form 294, Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts, with a statement identifying—

(i) The amount of dollars credited to the SDB subcontracting goal as a result of developmental assistance provided to protege firms under the Program; and

(ii) The number and dollar value of subcontracts awarded to the protege firm(s), broken out per protege.

DFARS Appendix I-111(b) requires the mentor firm and the protege firm to annually provide data on the progress made by the protege firm in employment, revenues, and participation in DoD contracts during each fiscal year of the Program participation term and each of the 2 fiscal years following the expiration of the Program participation term. During the Program participation term, the firms may provide this data as part of the mentor report required by I-111(a) for the period ending September 30th.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Title and OMB Number: Central Contractor Registration (CCR); OMB Number 0704-0400.

Type of Request: Revision.

Number of Respondents: 300,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 300,000.

Average Burden Per Response: 0.5 hours.

Annual Burden Hours: 150,000.

Needs and Uses: The Central Registration (CCR) provides a single point of entry for vendors that want to do business with the Department of Defense. As of June 1, 1998, both current and potential DoD vendors are required to register in the CCR in order to do business with the DoD if the contract solicitation occurred after May 31, 1998. Vendors are required to complete a one-time registration to provide basic information relevant to procurement and financial transactions. Vendors must update or renew their registration annually to maintain active status. The CCR validates the vendor's information and electronically shares the secure and encrypted data with the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) to facilitate paperless payments through electronic funds transfer (EFT). Additionally, CCR shares the data with several government

procurement and electronic business systems.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion and annually.

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

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Lewis W. Oleinick.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Oleinick at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD (Acquisition), Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: October 19, 2000.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on Systems Technology for the Future U.S. Strategic Posture will meet in closed session on November 13-14, 2000, at Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. This Task Force will review the likely nature and evolution of potential future strategic challenges to the U.S., advanced technologies for nuclear weapons systems and non-nuclear strategic weapons systems, and advanced C4ISR technology applications for strategic contingencies.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting, the Defense Science Board Task Force will consider the extent to which technologies and systems currently being developed and applied for regional contingencies are relevant and applicable to future strategic contingencies; take into account