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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

**Program for Qualifying Department of
Defense (DOD) Brokers**

AGENCY: Military Traffic Management
Command, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In previous **Federal Register** notice (Vol. 62, No. 27, pages 5962-5963) Monday, February 10, 1997, the Headquarters, Military Traffic Management Command (HQMTMC) announced a request for comments on the Program for Qualifying Department of Defense (DoD) Brokers. Due to comments received concerning the earlier notice, HQMTMC has decided to test the Broker Program for a period of one year, beginning June 1, 1998 and ending June 1, 1999. Brokers will be allowed to participate in the movement of all DoD freight except for shipments requiring Transportation Protection Services (TPS). Brokers will be evaluated using the same rules as those applied to carriers who are currently approved to do business with the DoD. **ADDRESSES:** Headquarters, Military Traffic Management Command, ATTN: MTOP-QQ, Room 630, 5611 Columbia Pike, Falls Church, Virginia 22041-5050.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rick Wirtz, MTOP-QQ, telephone 703-681-6393.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: MTMC is the agency established within the DoD for the procurement of land transportation services from commercial carriers on behalf of DOD shippers. Historically brokers could not participate in DOD traffic because the broker was an intermediary between the shipper and the carrier, essentially duplicating the mission performed by MTMC of matching the DOD shipper's requirements with a carrier which can accommodate the move. Brokers were not carriers, did not perform transportation, did not assume responsibility for the transportation, and did not publish tariffs or offer Government rate tenders, or enter into Government bills of lading (GBLs) or other transportation contracts. Today, in the deregulated transportation

environment, brokers can and do conduct carrier operations, perform transportation, and assume responsibility for the transportation, and no reason appears why they may not voluntarily enter into the DOD standard tender/GBL and other transportation contracts arranged by MTMC. Consequently, MTMC is not proposing to change its policy in order to offer brokers the opportunity to qualify for participation in DOD transportation procurements, except shipments requiring a Transportation Protective Services (TPS). Under MTMC's new policy, brokers interested in completing for DOD traffic, except TPS shipments, could apply for qualification by executing the basic Agreement, and by complying with requirements for submission of evidence of insurance (public liability and cargo), a list of underlying carriers which the broker intends to use in the movement of DOD shipments, a performance bond, and other standard requirements.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

AGENCY: Department of Education

ACTION: Submission for OMB review;
comment request.

SUMMARY: The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 24, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a

telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: March 19, 1998.

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**Office of Elementary and Secondary
Education**

Type of Review: Extension.

*Title: Comprehensive School Reform
Demonstration Program.*

Frequency: Annually.

*Affected Public: Businesses or other
for-profits; not-for-profit institutions;
State, local or Tribal Gov't; SEAs or
LEAs.*

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping
Hour Burden:*

Responses: 56.

Burden Hours: 2,240.

Abstract: This application will be used by the State Education Agencies (SEAs) to obtain funds to provide competitive grants to local education agencies to assist local Title I and some non-Title I schools to adopt research-based comprehensive school reform models. The information will be used to