

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Monthly, Quarterly, and Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Monthly and Quarterly forms—Voluntary; Annual counterpart forms—Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 USC, Sections 131, 182, 224, and 225.

OMB Desk Officer: Nancy Kirkendall, (202) 395-7313.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Nancy Kirkendall, OMB Desk Officer, room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: July 31, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13.

Bureau: International Trade Administration.

Title: Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) Application.

Agency Form Number: N/A.

OMB Number: 0625-0139.

Type of Request: Regular Submission.

Estimated Burden: 9,314 hours.

Estimated Number of Applicants: 100.

Est. Avg. Hours Per Application: 20-120 hours (depending on the type of application).

Needs and Uses: The Foreign Trade Zones Application is the vehicle by which individual firms or organizations apply for foreign-trade zone (FTZ) status, for subzone status, or for expansion of an existing zone. The FTZ Act and Regulations require that an application with a description of the proposed project be made to the FTZ Board (19 U.S.C. 81b and 81f; 15 CFR § 400.24-26) before a license can be issued or a zone can be expanded. The Act and Regulations require that

applications contain detailed information on facilities, financing, operational plans, proposed manufacturing operations, need, and economic impact. Manufacturing activity in zones, which is primarily conducted in subzones, can involve issues related to domestic industry and trade policy impact. Such applications must include specific information on the Customs-tariff related savings that result from zone procedures and the economic consequences of permitting such savings. The FTZ Board needs complete and accurate information on the proposed operation and its economic effects because the Act and Regulations authorize the Board to restrict or prohibit operations that are detrimental to the public interest.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal governments or not-for-profit institutions applying for foreign trade zone status, for subzone status, or for modification of existing status.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain a license, voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Victoria Baecher-Wassmer, (202) 395-7340.

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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent to Victoria Baecher-Wassmer, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13.

Bureau: International Trade Administration.

Title: Annual Report from Foreign-Trade Zones.

Agency Form Number: ITA-359P.

OMB Number: 0625-0109.

Type of Request: Regular Submission.

Estimated Burden: 11,881 hours.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 150.

Est. Avg. Hours Per Response: 37 to 180 hours (depending on the size and structure of the foreign-trade zone).

Needs and Uses: The Foreign-Trade Zone Annual Report is the vehicle by which Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) grantees report annually to the Foreign Trade Zones Board, pursuant to the requirements of the Foreign Trade Zones Act (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u). The annual reports submitted by grantees are the only complete source of compiled information on FTZ's. The data and information contained in the reports relates to international trade activity in FTZ's. The reports are used by the Congress and the Department to determine the economic effect of the FTZ program. The reports are also used by the FTZ Board and other trade policy officials to determine whether zone activity is consistent with U.S. international trade policy, and whether it is in the public interest. The public uses the information regarding activities carried on in FTZ's to evaluate their effect on industry sectors. The information contained in annual reports also helps zone grantees in their marketing efforts.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal governments or not-for-profit institutions which are FTZ grantees.

Frequency: Annual.

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

OMB Desk Officer: Victoria Baecher-Wassmer, (202) 395-7340.

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