

information collection requirement concerning Buy American Act-Trade Agreements Act-Balance of Payments Program Certificate. A request for public comments was published at 63 FR 29977, June 2, 1998. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before September 17, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Linfield, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-1757.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

Under the Trade Agreements Act of 1979, unless specifically exempted by statute or regulation, agencies are required to evaluate offers over a certain dollar limitation not to supply an eligible product without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American or the Balance of Payments program. Offerors identify excluded end products on this certificate.

The contracting officer uses the information to identify the offered items which are domestic end products. Items having components of unknown origin are considered to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States or a designated country of the Act.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 1,140; responses per respondent, 10; total annual responses, 11,400; preparation hours per response, .167; and total response burden hours, 1,904.

**Obtaining Copies of Proposals:** Requester may obtain a copy of the justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0025, Buy American Act-Trade Agreements Act-Balance of Payments Program Certificate, in all correspondence.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0027]

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Value Engineering Requirements**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Value Engineering Requirements. A request for public comments was published at 63 FR 31449, June 9, 1998. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before September 17, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Linda Klein, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA, (202) 501-3755.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

Value engineering is the technique by which contractors: (1) Voluntarily suggest methods for performing more economically and share in any resulting savings; or (2) are required to establish a program to identify and submit to the Government methods for performing more economically. These recommendations are submitted to the Government as value engineering change proposals (VECP's) and they

must include specific information. This information is needed to enable the Government to evaluate the VECP and, if accepted, to arrange for an equitable sharing plan.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 400; responses per respondent, 4; total annual responses, 1,600; preparation hours per response, 30; and total response burden hours, 48,000.

**Obtaining Copies of Proposals:** Requester may obtain a copy of the justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0027, Value Engineering Requirements, in all correspondence.

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[OMB Control No. 9000-0029]

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for Extraordinary Contractual Action Requests**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement

concerning Extraordinary Contractual Action Requests. A request for public comments was published at 63 FR 31450, June 9, 1998. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before September 17, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Linda Klein, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3775.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

This request covers the collection of information as a first step under Public Law 85-804, as amended by Public Law 93-155 and Executive Order 10789 dated November 14, 1958, that allows contracts to be entered into, amended, or modified in order to facilitate national defense. In order for a firm to be granted relief under the Act, specific evidence must be submitted which supports the firm's assertion that relief is appropriate and that the matter cannot be disposed of under the terms of the contract.

The information is used by the Government to determine if relief can be granted under the Act and to determine the appropriate type and amount of relief.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 16 hours per completion, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 100; responses per respondent, 1; total annual responses, 100; preparation hours per response, 16; and total response burden hours, 1,600.

**Obtaining Copies of Proposals:** Requester may obtain a copy of the justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0029, Extraordinary Contractual Action Requests, in all correspondence.

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**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0078]

**Submission of OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Make-or-Buy Program**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Make-or-Buy Program. A request for public comments was published at 63 FR 31451, June 9, 1998. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted September 17, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jerry Olson, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

Price, performance, and/or implementation of socio-economic policies may be affected by make-or-buy decisions under certain Government prime contracts. Accordingly, Section 15.407-2, Make-or-Buy Programs, of the FAR—

(i) Sets forth circumstances under which a Government contractor must submit for approval by the contracting officer a make-or-buy program, *i.e.*, a

written plan identifying major items to be produced or work efforts to be performed in the prime contractor's facilities and those to be subcontracted; (ii) Provides guidance to contracting officers concerning the review and approval of the make-or-buy programs; and

(iii) Prescribes the contract clause at FAR 52.215-9, Changes or Additions to Make-or-Buy Programs, which specifies the circumstances under which the contractor is required to submit for the contracting officer's advance approval a notification and justification of any proposed change in the approved make-or-buy program.

The information is used to assure the lowest overall cost to the Government for required supplies and services.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 8 hours per termination, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 150; responses per respondent, 3; total annual responses, 450; preparation hours per response, 8; and total response burden hours, 3,600.

**Obtaining Copies of Proposals**

Requester may obtain a copy of the justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0078, Make-or-Buy Program, in all correspondence.

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**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Qualification Requirements**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA),