

comments that are received by the close of the comment period (see **DATES**).

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will become part of the administrative record. Before including your address, telephone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comments to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

References

The complete list of references used during the drafting of each of the draft revised SARs is available at <https://www.regulations.gov> under Docket FWS-R7-ES-2024-0128 and upon request from the Alaska Marine Mammals Management Office (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

Authority

The authority for this action is the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*).

Gary Frazer,

Acting Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB 1140-0052]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection eComments Requested; Revision of a Previously Approved Collection; Office of Strategic Management Environmental Assessment Outreach

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 60-Day notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (DOJ), The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), will be submitting the following information

collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until March 3, 2025.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have additional comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, contact: Jeffrey Hosmer, Office of Strategic Management, either by mail at Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, 99 New York Avenue NE, Rm. 5E-409, Washington, DC 20226, by email at Jeffrey.hosmer@atf.gov or telephone at 202-648-7132.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Abstract: Under the Government Performance and Results Modernization Act of 2010, ATF must update its strategic plan every four years and

identify key external factors that could significantly affect their ability to achieve strategic goals and objectives. For this purpose, ATF conducts outreach for feedback from ATF stakeholders as part of the Bureau’s quadrennial assessment process. Information Collection (IC) OMB 1140-0052 is being revised to include the monetized value of respondent time in this renewal (from \$0 to \$535), which was not previously included. There has also been a decrease in the number of respondents over time, from 1,500 to 47 and a reduction in the collective hour burden from 450 hours to 2 hours.

Overview of This Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection:* Revision of a previously approved collection.
2. *The Title of the Form/Collection:* Office of Strategic Management Environmental Assessment Outreach.
3. *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Form number: None.
Component: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, U.S. Department of Justice.
4. *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as the obligation to respond:* Affected Public: State, local and tribal governments, Private Sector-for or not for profit institutions, Federal Government.
The obligation to respond is voluntary.
5. *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* An estimated 7 respondents will respond to this collection once annually, and it will take each respondent approximately 0.3 hours to complete their responses.
6. *An estimate of the total annual burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The estimated annual public burden associated with this collection is 2 hours total, which is equal to 7 (total respondents) * 1 (# of response per respondent) * 0.3 (hours).
7. *An estimate of the total annual cost burden associated with the collection, if applicable:* \$535.00.

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS

Activity	Number of respondents	Frequency	Total annual responses	Time per response (hours)	Total annual burden (hours)
Respond to Questionnaire	7	1/annually	7	0.3	2
Unduplicated Totals	7	1/annually	7	0.3	2

If additional information is required contact: Darwin Arceo, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, 4W-218, Washington, DC.

Dated: December 26, 2024.

Darwin Arceo,

Department Clearance Officer for PRA, U.S. Department of Justice.

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MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION

[MCC FR 24-13]

Notice of First Amendment to Compact With the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal

AGENCY: Millennium Challenge Corporation.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, as amended, the Millennium Challenge Corporation is publishing a summary, justification, and full text of the proposed First Amendment to Millennium Challenge Compact between the United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal. Representatives of the United States Government and the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal plan to conclude the Amendment in January 2025.

(Authority: 22 U.S.C. 7708(i)(2))

Dated: December 20, 2024.

Peter E. Jaffe,

Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary.

Summary of First Amendment to Millennium Challenge Compact With the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal

The Board of Directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation (“MCC”) has approved an amendment (the “*Amendment*”) to the existing \$500 million, five-year Millennium Challenge Compact between the United States of America, acting through MCC, and the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal (the “*Compact*”).

Background

The Compact was signed September 14, 2017, and entered into force on

August 30, 2023. The Compact aims to increase domestic electricity consumption through the Electricity Transmission Project by improving the availability and reliability of electricity in Nepal’s electricity grid, expanding and strengthening Nepal’s high voltage electricity transmission network to support new investments in generation that unlock Nepal’s hydropower potential, and facilitating increased power trade between India and Nepal. The Compact also aims to maintain road quality across Nepal’s strategic road network through the Road Maintenance Project.

Scope of the Amendment

MCC proposes to provide additional funding up to \$50 million under the Compact. The proposed additional funding will be used to cover additional costs associated with the Compact’s Electricity Transmission Project, thus enabling successful implementation of the project.

Justification for the Amendment

The Compact was signed in September 2017 but did not enter into force until August 2023. The protracted delay between signing and entry into force, as well as the global inflationary pressures of the COVID-19 pandemic, resulted in an increase in costs for the Electricity Transmission Project. Further, procurement for construction of the project’s electricity transmission line was not initiated until September 2023 and the bids received reflected costs that were substantially higher than the original cost estimate, resulting in a failed procurement. Despite identifying significant potential reductions of cost drivers for a re-procurement of the transmission line work, MCC anticipates that the cost of the transmission line work will continue to exceed the projected compact budget.

Providing additional assistance under the Compact to support the Electricity Transmission Project will enable successful implementation of the Compact’s objectives with respect to electricity reform. Specifically, the additional MCC funding is necessary for and will enable the accountable entity to sign contracts for the transmission line work once re-procurement is complete in a timely manner and maximize the remaining implementation period without further delays. The additional funding will also preserve adequate contingency across the Compact to facilitate operational adjustments that may become necessary during construction. The economic rate of return for the Electricity Transmission Project remains above 10

percent, which indicates that, even with cost escalations, this remains a highly viable and impactful project. Therefore, additional MCC funding for this Compact would constitute a high return investment.

First Amendment to Millennium Challenge Compact Between the United States of America Acting Through the Millennium Challenge Corporation and the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal Acting Through the Ministry of Finance

First Amendment to Millennium Challenge Compact

This First Amendment to Millennium Challenge Compact (this “*Amendment*”), is made by and between the United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation, a United States government corporation (“*MCC*”), and the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal (“*Nepal*”), acting through the Ministry of Finance (the “*Government*”) (individually, a “*Party*” and collectively, the “*Parties*”). All capitalized terms used in this Amendment that are not otherwise defined herein have the meanings given to such terms in the Compact (as defined below).

Recitals

Whereas, the United States of America and Nepal signed the Millennium Challenge Compact between the United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, acting through the Ministry of Finance, on September 14, 2017 (as modified, the “*Compact*”);

Whereas, Section 2.1 of the Compact provides for MCC to grant to the Government, under the terms of the Compact, an amount not to exceed Four Hundred Fifty-Nine Million Five Hundred Thousand United States Dollars (US\$459,500,000) (“*Program Funding*”) for use by the Government to implement the Program;

Whereas, Section 2.2 of the Compact further provides for MCC to grant to the Government, under the terms of the Compact and in addition to the Program Funding described in Section 2.1 of the Compact, an amount not to exceed Forty Million Five Hundred Thousand United States Dollars (US\$40,500,000) (“*Compact CDF*”) under Section 609(g) of the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, as amended (the “*MCA Act*”), for use by the Government to facilitate implementation of the Compact;