

Reservations are not accepted. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate the distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation materials prior to the meeting to Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter at [Lcarpent@bis.doc.gov](mailto:Lcarpent@bis.doc.gov).

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on May 6, 2004, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the portion of the meeting dealing with trade secrets and commercial or financial information deemed privileged or confidential as described in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and the portion of the meeting dealing with matters the disclosure of which would be likely to frustrate the implication of agency action as described in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. App. 2 §§ 10(a)1 and 10(a)(3). The remaining portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

For more information, call Lee Ann Carpenter at (202) 482-2583.

Dated: May 17, 2004.

**Lee Ann Carpenter,**  
*Committee Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

[OMB Control Number 0704-0253]

### Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Subcontracting Policies and Procedures

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension 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 requirement for use through July 31, 2004. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through July 31, 2007.

**DATES:** DoD will consider all comments received by July 19, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Respondents may submit comments via the Internet at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf/pubcomm>. As an alternative, respondents may e-mail comments to: [dfars@osd.mil](mailto:dfars@osd.mil). Please cite OMB Control Number 0704-0253 in the subject line of e-mailed comments.

Respondents that cannot submit comments using either of the above methods may submit comments to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Mr. Steven Cohen, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062; facsimile (703) 602-0350. Please cite OMB Control Number 0704-0253.

At the end of the comment period, interested parties may view public comments on the Internet at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Steven Cohen, (703) 602-0293. The information collection requirements addressed in this notice are available on the Internet at: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dfars/index.htm>.

Paper copies are available from Mr. Steven Cohen, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title and OMB Number:* Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 244, Subcontracting Policies and Procedures; OMB Control Number 0704-0253.

*Needs and Uses:* Administrative contracting officers use this information in making decisions to grant, withhold, or withdraw purchasing system approval at the conclusion of a contractor purchasing system review. Withdrawal of purchasing system approval would necessitate Government consent to individual subcontracts.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1,440.  
*Number of Respondents:* 90.  
*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.  
*Annual Responses:* 90.  
*Average Burden Per Response:* 16 hours.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

#### Summary of Information Collection

This information collection includes the requirements of DFARS 244.305-70, Granting, withholding, or withdrawing approval. DFARS 244.305-70 requires the administrative contracting officer, at the completion of the in-plant portion of a contractor purchasing system review, to ask the contractor to submit, within 15 days, its plan for correcting deficiencies or making improvements to its purchasing system.

**Michele P. Peterson,**

*Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition  
Regulations Council.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

[OMB Control Number 0704-0272]

### Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Occupational Safety

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension 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 requirement for use through August 31, 2004. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through August 31, 2007.

**DATES:** DoD will consider all comments received by July 19, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Respondents may submit comments via the Internet at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf/pubcomm>. As an alternative, respondents may e-mail comments to: [dfars@osd.mil](mailto:dfars@osd.mil). Please cite OMB Control Number 0704-0272 in the subject line of e-mailed comments.

Respondents that cannot submit comments using either of the above methods may submit comments to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Ms. Amy Williams, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062; facsimile (703) 602-0350. Please cite OMB Control Number 0704-0272.

At the end of the comment period, interested parties may view public comments on the Internet at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Amy Williams, (703) 602-0328. The information collection requirements addressed in this notice are available on the Internet at: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dfars/index.htm>.

Paper copies are available from Ms. Amy Williams, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title and OMB Number:* Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 223, Occupational Safety, and related clauses in DFARS 252.223; OMB Control Number 0704-0272.

*Needs and Uses:* This information collection requires that an offeror or contractor submit information to DoD in response to DFARS solicitation provisions and contract clauses relating to occupational safety. DoD contracting officers use this information to—

- Verify compliance with requirements for labeling of hazardous materials;
- Ensure contractor compliance and monitor subcontractor compliance with DoD 4145.26-M, DoD Contractors' Safety Manual for Ammunition and Explosives, and minimize risk of mishaps;
- Identify the place of performance of all ammunition and explosives work; and
- Ensure contractor compliance and monitor subcontractor compliance with DoD 5100.76-M, Physical Security of Sensitive Conventional Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 9,448.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,519.

*Responses Per Respondent:*

Approximately 9.

*Annual Responses:* 13,507.

*Average Burden Per Response:* .7 hours.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

**Summary of Information Collection**

This information collection includes the following requirements:

1. *DFARS 252.223-7001, Hazard Warning Labels.* Paragraph (c) requires all offerors to list which hazardous materials will be labeled in accordance with certain statutory requirements instead of the Hazard Communication Standard. Paragraph (d) requires only the apparently successful offeror to submit, before award, a copy of the hazard warning label for all hazardous materials not listed in paragraph (c) of the clause.

2. *DFARS 252.223-7002, Safety Precautions for Ammunition and Explosives.* Paragraph (c)(2) requires the contractor, within 30 days of notification of noncompliance with DoD 4145.26-M, to notify the contracting officer of actions taken to correct the noncompliance. Paragraph (d)(1) requires the contractor to notify the contracting officer immediately of any mishaps involving ammunition or explosives. Paragraph (d)(3) requires the contractor to submit a written report of the investigation of the mishap to the contracting officer. Paragraph (g)(4) requires the contractor to notify the contracting officer before placing a subcontract for ammunition or explosives.

3. *DFARS 252.223-7003, Changes in Place of Performance—Ammunition and Explosives.* Paragraph (a) requires the offeror to identify, in the Place of Performance provision of the solicitation, the place of performance of all ammunition and explosives work covered by the Safety Precautions for Ammunition and Explosives clause of the solicitation. Paragraphs (b) and (c) require the offeror or contractor to obtain written permission from the contracting officer before changing the place of performance after the date set for receipt of offers or after contract award.

4. *DFARS 252.223-7007, Safeguarding Sensitive Conventional Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives.* Paragraph (e) requires the contractor to notify the cognizant Defense Security Service field office within 10 days after award of any subcontract involving sensitive conventional arms,

ammunition, and explosives within the scope of DoD 5100.76-M.

**Michele P. Peterson,**

*Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Technical Assistance Relating to Machine Tools**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice implements that portion of Section 823 of the Fiscal Year 2004 National Defense Authorization Act that requires the Secretary of Defense to publish information on resources available to assist machine tool companies and users of machine tools in understanding Government contracting procedures and in locating opportunities for contracting with DoD.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan L. Schneider, Procurement Analyst, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, OUSD(AT&L), 3060 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3060, (703) 614-4840; or e-mail to [Susan.Schneider@osd.mil](mailto:Susan.Schneider@osd.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice contains information required under Section 823 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004 (Pub. L. 108-136) to assist machine tool companies and users of machine tools in Government contracting. It identifies several important resources that are available to assist prospective contractors in understanding Government contracting procedures and in locating opportunities for contracting with DoD.

The DoD Procurement Technical Assistance (PTA) Cooperative Agreement Program was established by Congress in 1985 to provide DoD assistance to eligible entities in obtaining and performing under DoD contracts. Due to its initial success, it was later expanded to include all Federal agencies, as well as State and local governments. The Defense Logistics Agency, Director of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, is responsible for management of the PTA program. The PTA program manager has advised PTA program participants of DoD's emphasis on the need to be responsive to machine tool companies and users of machine tools in Government contracting by providing assistance and counseling consistent with the requirements of Section 823 as outlined below.