DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has submitted the following information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The submission describes the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (i.e., the time, effort and resources used by respondents to respond) and cost, and includes the actual data collection instruments FEMA will use.

Title: Evaluation of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

OMB Number: 1660-NEW10. Abstract: The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) will conduct a comprehensive evaluation of its impact on land-use aimed at reducing loss of property due to floods. The study will center around six areas of inquiry through a combination of case studies, in-depth interviews, and surveys applied to an across-the-board representation of NFIP constituencies involving communities, state agencies, mortgage lenders, insurance agents, real estate brokers, developers, and individual policy and non policyholders.

Affected Public: Individuals and households, businesses, and State, local and tribal governments.

Number of Respondents: 2,716. Estimated Time per Respondent: 20 to 25 minutes for survey questionnaires; 90 to 120 minutes for in-depth interviews on case analysis.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,268.

Frequency of Response: One-time. Comments: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at OMB, Attention: Desk Officer

for the Department of Homeland Security/FEMA, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, or facsimile number (202) 395-7285. Comments must be submitted on or before January 3, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Muriel B. Anderson, Section Chief, Records Management, FEMA at 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472, facsimile number (202) 646-3347, or e-mail address FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov.

Dated: November 24, 2004.

Edward W. Kernan,

Branch Chief, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management

Agency Information Collection **Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed continuing information collections. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this notice seeks comments concerning the information collection outlined in 44 CFR part 71, as it pertains to application for National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) insurance for buildings located in Coastal Barrier Resource System (CBRS) communities.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA Pub. L. 97-3480) and the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (CBRA Pub. L. 101-591) are Federal laws that were enacted on October 1, 1982, and November 16, 1990, respectively. The legislation was implemented as part of a Department of the Interior (DOI) initiative to preserve

the ecological integrity of areas DOI designates as coastal barriers and otherwise protected areas. The laws provide this protection by prohibiting all Federal expenditures or financial assistance including flood insurance for residential or commercial development in areas identified with the system. When an application for flood insurance is submitted for buildings located in CBRS communities, documentation must be submitted as evidence of eligibility.

FEMA regulation 44 CFR part 71 implements the Coastal Barrier Resources Act. The documentation required in 44 CFR section 71.4 is provided to FEMA for a determination that a building which is located on a designated coastal barrier and for which a application for flood insurance is being made, is neither new construction or a substantial improvement, and is, therefore, eligible for NFIP coverage. If the information is not collected, NFIP policies would be provided for buildings, which are legally ineligible for it, thus exposing the Federal Government to an insurance liability Congress chose to limit.

Collection of Information

Title: Implementation of Coastal Barrier Resources Act.

Type of Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

OMB Number: 1660-0010. Abstract: When an application for flood insurance is submitted for buildings located in CBRS communities, one of the following types of documentation must be submitted as evidence of eligibility:

- —Certification from a community official stating the building is not located in a designated CBRS area.
- —A legally valid building permit or certification from a community official stating that the building's start of construction date preceded the date that the community was identified in the system.
- —Certification from the governmental body overseeing the area indicating that the building is used in a manner consistent with the purpose for which the area is protected.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Businesses or other forprofits; Not-for-profit institutions; Farms; Federal Government; and State, local or tribal governments.

Number of Respondents: 60. Frequency of Response: One time. Hours Per Response: 1.5 hours. Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 90.

Estimated Total Cost to Respondents: $$600 (60 \text{ respondents} \times 10 per respondent). The cost to the respondent. i.e., applicant for flood insurance, is the cost if any, to obtain the required documentation from local officials. Fees charged, if any, to the applicants, are nominal, i.e., the cost of photocopying the public record. Information of this type is frequently provided upon request free of charge by the community as a public service. The average cost to the respondent is estimated to be \$10, the cost to make phone calls, mail a written request, or make a trip to a local office to obtain the document, and includes any copying fees, which may be charged by the local office.

Comments: Written comments are solicited to (a) Evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) 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; (c) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) 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. Comments should be received within 60 days of the date of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, Section Chief, Records Management, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security, 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Lynn Sawyer, Program Analyst, Risk Insurance Branch, Mitigation Division, at 301–918–1452 for additional information. You may contact Ms. Anderson for copies of the proposed collection of information at facsimile number (202) 646–3347 or email address: FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov.

Dated: November 18, 2004.

Edward W. Kernan,

Branch Chief, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security. ACTION: Notice and request for

comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has submitted the following information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The submission describes the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (i.e., the time, effort and resources used by respondents to respond) and cost, and includes the actual data collection instruments. FEMA will use The National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer Program Application form to enroll senior level firefighting officers or individuals in courses to advance their knowledge and ability to prevent and control fires.

Title: National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer Program Application Form.

OMB Number: 1660–0021.

Abstract: The Executive Fire Officer Program (EFOP) is available to senior level firefighting officers or individuals who are responsible for a major functional area within a fire service organization. The curriculum consists of courses used to advance the knowledge and ability to prevent and control fires including tactics and command of firefighting. FEMA Form 95–22 is used to assess samples of writing syle and analytical ability. FEMA Form 75–5 is used in conjunction with FEMA form 95–22 to screen candidates for the EFOP.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Number of Respondents: 300.

Estimated Time per Respondent: FEMA Form 95–22, Executive Fire Officer Program Application for Admission, 1 hour; Additional Items, 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 600 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Comments: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of Homeland Security/FEMA, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, or facsimile number (202) 395–7285. Comments must be submitted on or before January 3, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Muriel B. Anderson, Section Chief, Records Management, FEMA at 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472, facsimile number (202) 646–3347, or e-mail address FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov.

Dated: November 19, 2004.

Edward W. Kernan,

Branch Chief, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency has submitted the following proposed information collection to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507).

Title: Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) Evaluation and Customer Satisfaction Survey.