

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Census Bureau****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 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau.

Title: 2003 Annual Survey of Manufactures.

Form Number(s): MA-1000(L), MA-1000(S).

Agency Approval Number: 0607-0449.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 187,000 hours.

Number of Respondents: 55,000.

Avg Hours Per Response: 3.4 hours.

Needs and Uses: The Census Bureau requests a reinstatement with change, of a previously approved collection for the Annual Survey of Manufactures (ASM). The Census Bureau has conducted the ASM since 1949 under the mandatory requirements of Title 13, United States Code to provide key measures of manufacturing activity during intercensal periods. In census years ending in "2" and "7," we mail and collect the ASM as part of the Economic Census covering the Manufacturing Sector. The content of the questionnaires for the 2003 ASM is modified from the 2001 ASM report form. We plan to collect data on leased employees, their payroll including fringe benefits and hours worked. These data were collected for the first time as part of the 2002 Economic Census.

The ASM furnishes up-to-date estimates of employment and payrolls, hours and wages of production workers, value added by manufacture, cost of materials, value of shipments by class of product, inventories, and expenditures for new and used plant and equipment. The survey provides data for most of these items for each of the 5-digit and selected 6-digit industries as defined in the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). We also provide geographic data by state at a more aggregated industry level.

This survey is an integral part of the federal government's statistical program. Its results provide a factual background for decision making by the executive and legislative branches of the federal government. Federal agencies use the annual survey's input and output data as benchmarks for their statistical programs, including the Federal Reserve

Board's Index of Industrial Production and the Bureau of Economic Analysis' estimates of the gross domestic product (GDP). The data also provide the Department of Energy with primary information on the use of energy by the manufacturing sector to produce manufactured products. These data also are used as benchmark data for the Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey which is conducted for the Department of Energy by the Census Bureau. The Department of Commerce uses the exports of manufactured products data to measure the importance of exports to the manufacturing economy of each state. Within the Census Bureau, the ASM data are used to benchmark and reconcile monthly and quarterly data on manufacturing production and inventories. The survey also provides valuable information to private companies, research organizations, and trade associations. Industry makes extensive use of the annual figures on product class shipments at the U.S. level in its market analysis, product planning, and investment planning. State development/planning agencies rely on the survey as a major source of comprehensive economic data for policymaking, planning, and administration.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C., Sections 182, 224 & 225.

OMB Desk Officer: Susan Schechter, (202) 395-5103.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dhynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Susan Schechter, OMB Desk Officer either by fax (202-395-7245) or e-mail (susan_schechter@omb.eop.gov).

Dated: August 8, 2003.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Bureau of Economic Analysis****Renewal of the Bureau of Economic Analysis Advisory Committee Charter**

AGENCY: Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of the renewal of the BEA Advisory Committee Charter.

SUMMARY: Please note that the Secretary of Commerce has renewed the Charter for the Bureau of Economic Analysis Advisory Committee on August 6, 2003. It has been determined that the Committee is necessary and in the public interest.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzette Kern, Designated Federal Official, Office of the Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis, 1441 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20230; Telephone (202) 606-9616; Fax (202) 606-5310; E-mail suzette.kern@bea.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established September 2, 1999 to advise the Director of BEA on matters related to the development and improvement of BEA's national, industry, international, and regional economic accounts.

Dated: August 7, 2003.

Steven Landefeld,

Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration****SABIT Alumni Questionnaire**

ACTION: Proposed information collection; Comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before October 14, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; Phone number:

(202) 482-0266; E-mail:
dHynek@doc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Request for additional information or copies of the alumni questionnaire should be directed to: Erin Schumacher, SABIT, 1099 14th Street, Suite 4100W, Washington, DC 20005; Phone number: (202) 482-0073; E-mail: Erin_Schumacher@ita.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, SABIT Office supports technical assistance and training for professionals from Eurasia, while promoting information exchange and U.S.-Eurasian partnerships.

Since inception SABIT has trained over 2500 professionals from Eurasia. The purpose of this questionnaire is to assess the affect that the SABIT Program has had on its alumni, in order to make improvements to the program and report results.

II. Method of Collection

SABIT will outsource the process of contacting SABIT Program alumni. The selected contractor will use the submitted questionnaire for collecting the appropriate information, via phone, email, and in person.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0625-XXXX.

Form Number: ITA-XXXX.

Type of Review: Regular Submission.

Affected Public: Former participants of the SABIT Grant and Group Programs.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1048.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 1048 hours (including preparation time and wrap-up).

Estimated Total Annual Costs: \$0.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have the practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including the hours and costs) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 8, 2002.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-853]

Bulk Aspirin from the People's Republic of China; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Review.

SUMMARY: On April 9, 2003, the Department of Commerce published the preliminary results of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on bulk aspirin from the People's Republic of China. We gave interested parties an opportunity to comment on the preliminary results. Based upon our analysis of the comments received, we have made changes to the margin calculations presented in the final results of the review. We find that bulk aspirin from the People's Republic of China was not sold in the United States below normal value during the period of review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 13, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Santoboni or Blanche Ziv, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-4194 or (202) 482-4207, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On April 9, 2003, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published in the *Federal Register* the preliminary results of its administrative review of bulk acetylsalicylic acid, commonly referred to as bulk aspirin, from the People's Republic of China ("PRC") (*Bulk Aspirin from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative*

Review, 68 FR 17343 (April 9, 2003) ("Preliminary Results").

Since the *Preliminary Results*, the following events have occurred: We received case briefs from Rhodia, Inc. (the "petitioner") and Jilin Henghe Pharmaceutical Company, Ltd., ("Jilin"), on May 9, 2003. We received rebuttal briefs from Jilin and Shandong Xinhua Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. ("Shandong") on May 16, 2003.

The Department has now completed this antidumping duty administrative review in accordance with section 751 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the "Act").

Scope of Order

The product covered by this review is bulk acetylsalicylic acid, commonly referred to as bulk aspirin, whether or not in pharmaceutical or compound form, not put up in dosage form (tablet, capsule, powders or similar form for direct human consumption). Bulk aspirin may be imported in two forms, as pure ortho-acetylsalicylic acid or as mixed ortho-acetylsalicylic acid. Pure ortho-acetylsalicylic acid can be either in crystal form or granulated into a fine powder (pharmaceutical form). This product has the chemical formula C₉H₈O₄. It is defined by the official monograph of the United States Pharmacopoeia ("USP") 23. It is classified under the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States* ("HTSUS") subheading 2918.22.1000.

Mixed ortho-acetylsalicylic acid consists of ortho-acetylsalicylic acid combined with other inactive substances such as starch, lactose, cellulose, or coloring materials and/or other active substances. The presence of other active substances must be in concentrations less than that specified for particular nonprescription drug combinations of bulk aspirin and active substances as published in the *Handbook of Nonprescription Drugs*, eighth edition, American Pharmaceutical Association. This product is classified under HTSUS subheading 3003.90.0000. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

Period of Review

The period of review ("POR") is July 1, 2001, through June 30, 2002.

Comparisons

We calculated export price, constructed export price and normal value based on the same methodology used in the *Preliminary Results* with the following exceptions: