

days. Comments should be directed to OMB, Office of Information and Regulation Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer (202) 395-6466, Washington, DC 20503.

During the first 60 days of this same review period, a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. All comments and suggestions, or questions regarding additional information, to include obtaining a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, should be directed to Tom Stewart, Chief, Firearms and Explosives Imports Branch, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226.

Request written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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.

Overview of this information:

(1) *Type of information collection:* New.

(2) *The title of the form/collection:* eForm 6 Access Request.

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the department sponsoring the collection:* Form Number: ATF F 5013.3. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Business or other for-profit. Other: None. Respondents must complete the eForm 6 Access Request form in order to receive a user ID and password to obtain access to ATF's eForm 6 system. The information is used by the Government to verify the identity of the end users prior to issuing passwords.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply:* It is estimated that 500 respondents will complete the form in approximately 18 minutes.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The estimated total public burden associated with this application is 150 hours.

If additional information is required contact Brenda E. Dyer, Department Deputy Clearance Officer, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, United States Department of Justice, 601 D Street NW., Patrick Henry Building, Suite 1600, NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: June 19, 2003.

**Brenda E. Dyer,**

*Department Deputy Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.*

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (03-073)]

### Notice of Information Collection

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection.

**SUMMARY:** The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 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 and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** All comments should be submitted by August 24, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments should be addressed to Mr. David Chambers, Code EI, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546-0001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Nancy Kaplan, NASA Reports Officer, (202) 358-1372.

*Title:* Title IX Recipient Request.

*OMB Number:* 2700-.

*Type of review:* New collection.

*Need and Uses:* The information collected will be analyzed and used by NASA to determine NASA grant recipients' compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 917.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 917.

*Hours Per Request:* Approx. ½ hour.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 459.

*Frequency of Report:* Annually; Other (one time).

**Patricia L. Dunnington,**

*Chief Information Officer, Office of the Administrator.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), and as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the National Science Foundation invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this information collection.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received by August 25, 2003 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 295, Arlington, VA 22230, or by e-mail to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov).

#### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR

**COMMENTS:** Contact Suzanne Plimpton, the NSF Reports Clearance Officer, phone (703) 292-7556, or send e-mail to [splimptod@nsf.gov](mailto:splimptod@nsf.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Generic Clearance of the Science Resources Statistics Survey Improvement Projects.

*OMB Approval Number:* 3145-0174.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* December 31, 2003.

*Abstract.* Generic Clearance of the Science Resources Statistics Survey Improvement Projects. The National Science Foundation's (NSF) Division of Science Resources Statistics (SRS) needs

to collect timely data on constant changes in the science and technology sector and to provide the most complete and accurate information possible to policy makers in Congress and throughout government and academia. NSF/SRS conducts many surveys to obtain the data for these purposes. The Generic Clearance will be used to ensure that the highest quality data is obtained from these surveys. State-of-the-art methodology will be used to develop evaluate, and test questionnaires as well as to improve survey methodology. This may include field or pilot tests of questions for future large-scale surveys, as needed.

*Expected Respondents.* The respondents will be from industry, academia, nonprofit organizations, members of the public, and Federal agencies. Respondents will be either individuals or institutions, depending upon the survey under investigation. Qualitative procedures will generally be conducted in person, but quantitative procedures may be conducted using the

same mode as the survey under investigation. Up to 8,020 respondents will be contacted across all survey improvement projects. No respondent will be contacted more than twice in one year under this generic clearance. Every effort will be made to use technology to limit the burden on respondents from small entities.

Both qualitative and quantitative methods will be used to improve NSF's current data collection instruments and processes and to reduce respondent burden, as well as to develop new surveys. Qualitative methods include, but are not limited to, expert review; exploratory, cognitive, and usability interviews; focus groups; and respondent debriefings. Cognitive and usability interviews may include the use of scenarios, paraphrasing, card sorts, vignette classifications, and rating tasks. Quantitative methods include, but are not limited to, behavior coding, split panel tests, and field tests.

Information being collected is not considered sensitive. In general,

assurances of data confidentiality will not be provided to respondents in the pretests. Instead, respondents have the option of requesting that any and all data they provide be kept confidential.

*Use of the Information.* The purpose of these studies is to use the latest and most appropriate methodology to improve NSF surveys. The data will be used internally to improve NSF surveys. Methodological findings may be presented externally in technical papers at conferences, published in the proceedings of conferences, or in journals. Improved NSF surveys will help policy makers in decisions on research and development funding, graduate education, scientific and technical workforce, regulations, and reporting guidelines, as well as contributing to reduced survey costs.

*Burden on the Public.* NSF estimates that a total reporting and recordkeeping burden of 11,200 hours will result from pretesting to improve its surveys. The calculation is:

TABLE 1.—ANTICIPATED SURVEYS TO UNDERTAKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, ALONG WITH THE NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS AND BURDEN HOURS PER SURVEY

Survey name	Number of respondents <sup>1</sup>	Hours
Graduate Student Survey .....	500	1,500
Sestat Surveys .....	5,000	5,000
New Postdoc Survey .....	800	1,000
New and Redesigned R&D Surveys:		
Academic R&D .....	600	600
Government R&D .....	50	50
Nonprofit R&D .....	200	100
Industry R&D .....	500	1,000
Survey of Scientific & Engineering Facilities .....	300	150
Instrumentation .....	150	300
Public Understanding of S&E Surveys .....	200	50
Scientific Publications .....	120	250
Additional surveys not specified .....	400	1,200
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>8,820</b>	<b>11,200</b>

<sup>1</sup> Number of respondents listed for any individual survey may represent several methodological improvement projects.

*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 practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) ways to 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.

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: June 19, 2003.

**Suzanne Plimpton,**

*Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Meeting of the Interagency Steering Committee on Radiation Standards

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will host a meeting of the Interagency Steering Committee on Radiation Standards (ISCORS) on July 8, 2003, at 12:00 pm, in Rockville, Maryland. The purpose of ISCORS is to foster early resolution and coordination of regulatory issues associated with