

information products to a variety of customers, including the Federal Government, public and private organizations, and individuals, within the United States and internationally. Therefore, in compliance with Executive Order 12862, it seeks to issue a survey to identify the customers it already serves, as well as those it should be serving; to determine the kind and quality of services they want; and to assess their level of satisfaction with existing services. The results of this survey will then be used to evaluate institutional performance, reform management practices, and reallocate resources to services in line with customer needs and expectations. If the information is not collected, NAL will be hindered from advancing its mandate to provide accurate, timely and easily accessible agricultural information to its customers.

The entire information collection process will be conducted electronically. NAL will store its customer survey on a Web server. It will then invite customers and potential customers to take the survey via a broadly distributed email invitation. This invitation will include a link to the survey, where customers will answer the questions using pull-down menus, checkboxes, or radio buttons.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per respondent.

Respondents: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit institutions; Not-for-profit institutions; Farms; Federal Government; State, local or tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1,250 hours.

Comments: Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance for the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and the assumptions used; (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 those who respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technology. Comments should be sent to the address in the preamble. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget

(OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 11, 2005.

Edward B. Knipling,

Administrator for Agricultural Research Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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: 2005 National Census Test.

Form Number(s): Too numerous to list here.

Agency Approval Number: None.

Type of Request: New collection.

Burden: 70,000 hours.

Number of Respondents: 420,000.

Avg Hours Per Response: 10 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The U.S. Census Bureau requests authorization from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to conduct the 2005 National Census Test (NCT).

Census 2000 was an operational and data quality success. However, that success was achieved at great operational risk and great expense. In response to the lessons learned from Census 2000, and in striving to better meet our Nation's ever-expanding needs for social, demographic, and geographic information, the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Census Bureau have developed a multi-year effort to completely modernize and re-engineer the 2010 Census of Population and Housing.

In order to meet our constitutional and legislative mandates, we must implement a re-engineered 2010 Census that is cost-effective; improves coverage; and reduces operational risk. Achieving this strategic goal requires an iterative series of tests to provide an opportunity to evaluate new or improved question wording, methodology, technology, and questionnaire design. The 2005 NCT, which is part of the test cycle leading up to the 2010 Census, is one of a series of tests that has been planned to allow us to finalize content, methodology, and operational procedures in time to conduct a Dress Rehearsal in 2008.

The 2005 NCT is a mailout/mailback test designed to evaluate variations of questionnaire content and methodology.

In conjunction with the results of cognitive tests and focus groups, the 2003 National Census Test, and the 2004 Census Test, results from the 2005 NCT and the 2006 Census Test will help us develop the optimal questionnaire and mailing strategy for the 2010 Census. Although the 2005 NCT does not include a nonresponse followup (field) component, it will include a telephone coverage followup component.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: One time.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13, U.S.C., Sections 141 and 193.

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: March 22, 2005.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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: Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey.

Form Number(s): SM-42(00).

Agency Approval Number: 0607-0190.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 5,600 hours.

Number of Respondents: 4,000.

Avg Hours Per Response: 7 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The U.S. Census Bureau requests a three-year extension of the current OMB approval of the

Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey (MWTS). The MWTS canvasses firms primarily engaged in merchant wholesale trade, except manufacturing sales branches and offices, that are located in the United States. This survey provides the only continuous measures of monthly wholesale sales, end-of-month inventories, method of inventory valuation, and inventories/sales ratios. The sales and inventory estimates produced from the MWTS provide current trends of economic activity by kind of business for the United States. Also, the estimates compiled from this survey provide valuable information for economic policy decisions by the government and are widely used by private businesses, trade organizations, professional associations, and other business research and analysis organizations.

The estimates produced by the MWTS are critical to the accurate measurement of total economic activity of the United States. The estimates of sales made by wholesale locations represent only merchant wholesalers, except manufacturing sales branches and offices, who take title to goods bought for resale to other companies. Wholesalers normally sell to industrial distributors, retail operations, cooperatives, and other businesses. The sales estimates include sales made on credit as well as on a cash basis, but exclude receipts from sales taxes and interest charges from credit sales.

The estimates of merchandise inventories represent all merchandise owned and held in wholesale locations, warehouses, and offices, as well as goods owned by wholesalers but held by others for sale on consignment, in third-party warehouses, or in transit for distribution to wholesale establishments or their customers. The estimates of merchandise inventories exclude fixtures and supplies not for resale, as well as merchandise held on consignment which are owned by others. Inventories are an important component in the Bureau of Economic Analysis' (BEA) calculation of the investment portion of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

We publish wholesale sales and inventory estimates based on the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) which has been widely adopted throughout both the public and private sectors.

The Census Bureau tabulates the collected data to provide, with measurable reliability, statistics on U.S. merchant wholesale, except manufacturing sales branches and offices, sales, end-of-month inventories,

methods of inventory valuation, and inventories/sales ratios.

The BEA is the primary Federal user of data collected in the MWTS. The BEA uses this information to prepare the national income and product accounts (NIPA), input-output accounts (I-O), and gross domestic product (GDP) by industry.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) uses the data as input to its Producer Price Indexes and in developing productivity measurements. Private businesses use the wholesale sales and inventory data in computing business activity indexes. Other government agencies and businesses use this information for market research, product development, and business planning to gauge the current trends of the economy.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Frequency: Monthly.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C. Section 182.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Forged Stainless Steel Flanges From India: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty New Shipper Review

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 28, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Baker or Robert James, AD/CVD

Operations, Office 7, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2924 or (202) 482-0649, respectively.

Background

On August 31, 2004, the Department of Commerce (the Department) received a timely request from Hilton Forge to conduct a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on certain forged stainless steel flanges from India, sold in, or exported to the United States. On October 6, 2004, the Department published a notice of initiation of this new shipper review, covering the period of February 1, 2004 through July 31, 2004 (69 FR 59897). The preliminary results are currently due no later than March 29, 2005.

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Tariff Act), requires the Department to complete the preliminary results of a new shipper review within 180 days after the date on which the new shipper review was initiated. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within these time periods because the review is extraordinarily complicated, section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Tariff Act allows the Department to extend the time limit for the preliminary results to a maximum of 300 days after the date of initiation of a new shipper review. We are extending the deadline for the preliminary results of this review an additional 120 days, as a result of the complicated issues in this review. In order to accurately complete our analysis, we need to gather additional information from Hilton concerning its U.S. and home market selling activities. Additionally, we need to gather information concerning the role, if any, that related parties may have played in Hilton's manufacture and sale of flanges. This makes it impracticable to complete the preliminary results of this review within the originally anticipated time limit. Accordingly, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results of this new shipper review until no later than July 27, 2005, which is 300 days after the date of initiation. We intend to issue the final results no later than 90 days after publication of the preliminary results notice.