

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****A. Purpose**

FAR 15.812-1(c) and the clause at FAR 52.215-26, Integrity of Unit Prices, require offerors and contractors under Federal contracts to identify in their proposals those supplies which they will not manufacture or to which they will not contribute significant value. The policies included in the FAR are required by section 501 of Public Law 98-577 (for the civilian agencies) and section 927 of Public Law 99-500 (for DOD and NASA). The rule eliminates reporting requirements on contracts with civilian agencies for commercial items.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per line item, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 7,822; responses per respondent, 95; total annual responses, 743,090; preparation hours per response, .084; and total response burden hours, 62,420.

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Beverly Fayson,  
FAR Secretariat.

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**[OMB Control No. 9000-0082]****Proposed Collection; Comment Request Entitled Economic Purchase Quantities—Supplies**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0082).

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Economic Purchase Quantities—Supplies. This OMB clearance currently expires on August 31, 1996.

**DATES:** *Comment Due Date* June 3, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, or obtaining a copy of the justification, should be submitted to: General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRS), 18th & F Streets, NW, Room 4037, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0082, Economic Purchase Quantities—Supplies, in all correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mr. Jeremy F. Olson, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****A. Purpose**

The provisions at 52.207-4, Economic Purchase Quantities—Supplies, invites offerors to state an opinion on whether the quantity of supplies on which bids, proposals, or quotes are requested in solicitations is economically advantageous to the Government. Each offeror who believes that acquisitions in different quantities would be more advantageous is invited to (1) recommend an economic purchase quantity, showing a recommended unit and total price, and (2) identify the different quantity points where significant price breaks occur. This information is required by Public Law 98-577 and Public Law 98-525.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 50 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 2,252; responses per respondent, 35; total annual responses, 78,820; preparation hours per response, .83; and total response burden hours, 65,421.

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**[OMB Control No. 9000-0083]****Proposed Collection; Comment Request Entitled Qualification Requirements**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA),

and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0083).

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Qualification Requirements. This OMB clearance currently expires on August 31, 1996.

**DATES:** *Comment Due Date:* June 3, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, or obtaining a copy of the justification, should be submitted to: General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRS), 18th & F Streets, NW, Room 4037, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0083, Qualification Requirements, in all correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mr. Ralph De Stefano, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-1758.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****A. Purpose**

Under the Qualified Products Program, an end item, or a component thereof, may be required to be prequalified. The solicitation at FAR 52.209-1, Qualification Requirements, requires offerors who have met the qualification requirements to identify the offeror's name, the manufacturer's name, source's name, the item name, service identification, and test number (to the extent known).

The contracting officer uses the information to determine eligibility for award when the clause at 52.209-1 is included in the solicitation. The offeror must insert the offeror's name, the manufacturer's name, source's name, the item name, service identification, and test number (to the extent known). Alternatively, items not yet listed may be considered for award upon the submission of evidence of qualification with the offer.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing

instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 7,882; responses per respondent, 100; total annual responses, 788,200; preparation hours per response, .25; and total response burden hours, 197,050.

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FAR Secretariat.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Reengineering the Personal Property Program—Synopsis of Comments Received

**AGENCY:** Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC), DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As part of the reengineering of the Department of Defense (DOD) personal property program on June 30, 1995, MTMC released the draft requirements document over MTMC's EasyLink Bulletin Board. The initial draft of the requirements document outlined the anticipated requirements to participate in the movement of personal property under MTMC's reengineered concept. More importantly, the initial draft of the requirements document was provided with the intent to give industry the opportunity to comment on the feasibility of the proposal. A request for comments from industry concerning the draft requirements document was published in the Federal Register, Thursday, July 13, 1995, Vol 60, No. 134. In conjunction with the draft requirements document, MTMC released on August 1, 1995, the proposed acquisition strategy over the EasyLink Bulletin Board. In the proposed acquisition strategy, MTMC informed industry that we were considering the use of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to procure services for the movement of personal property.

An additional request for industry's comments, this time concerning the proposed acquisition strategy, was published in the Federal Register, Thursday, August 10, 1995, Vol 60, No.

154. In this Federal Register notice, we requested industry consider the draft requirement document and proposed acquisition strategy as one package, and that comments be provided to MTMC by September 20, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Headquarters, Military Traffic Management Command, ATTN: MTOP-Q, 5611 Columbia Pike, Falls Church, Virginia 22041-5050.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Lee Strong or Shelly Johnson, MTOP-Q, (703) 681-6393.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As a result of the Federal Register requests for comments, MTMC received 297 letters from industry. The 297 letters included 102 individual letters, 152 National Moving and Storage Association endorsement letters, and 43 Washington Movers Conference endorsement letters. The following provides a summary of many of the questions posed by industry concerning the draft requirements document and proposed acquisition strategy, as well as, MTMC's current position regarding these industry questions.

#### Summary of Industry Comments Concerning the Draft Requirements Document and Proposed Acquisition Strategy

In response to a request for comments concerning MTMC's reengineering draft requirements document and proposed acquisition strategy, we received 297 letters, including 102 individual letters, 152 National Moving and Storage Association endorsement letters, and 43 Washington Movers Conference endorsement letters. The following summarizes and consolidates the questions posed in those letters and provides a MTMC response.

#### Comments Regarding the Acquisition Strategy

(1) *Industry:* The use of proposed FAR to award contracts for personal property movements is unacceptable and will adversely impact the DOD Personal Property Program by imposing detailed, complex, and burdensome regulations, including the provisions of the Service Contract Act and Small Business Act. The use of the FAR is more onerous and complex than the current system and fails to achieve the stated goal of simplification.

*Response:* The Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is an instrument the Federal Government routinely utilizes

to acquire and administer the vast majority of its contracts for goods and services. It may be as simple or as complex as the requirement being procured. It may require minimal to detailed documentation depending upon the requirement and the dollar threshold involved. Currently the FAR is geared toward streamlining the acquisition process as much as possible while maintaining the proper expenditure of public funds. The language in the FAR is to the mutual benefit of private industry and the Federal Government. The Service Contract Act (SCA) requirements are administered and implemented by the Department of Labor (DOL). The FAR simply implements the procedures and regulations published by DOL. While compliance with the SCA provisions may require changes in carrier business practices, these changes are not insurmountable. Likewise, the FAR implementation of the Small Business Act, where applicable, will not necessarily make the acquisition process unduly burdensome. While many members of the industry may not be familiar with these provisions, we are confident that this industry has the capability to learn, adjust and master new procedures just as it has done in the past when we made changes to the current program. MTMC is available to assist industry in understanding these provisions.

(2) *Industry:* The ongoing regulatory requirements of the Service Contract Act (SCA) would impose a significant burden and subject industry to varying interpretations, continuous review of the contract award procedures, and significantly increase costs due to mandatory wage levels. The burden of imposing wage determinations and benefit guidelines on full-service worldwide moves will fall directly upon the small businesses, the agents and owner operators who actually perform the services for the member. The detailed accounting infrastructure does not exist to handle such a complex process.

*Response:* The Service Contract Act (SCA) does not require a detailed accounting system, nor does it require continuous review of the contract award procedures. MTMC intends to work with the Department of Labor to attempt to lessen the impact on the industry, as