

request for public comments was published 63 FR 29412, May 29, 1998. No comments were received

DATES: Comment Due Date: September 8, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: Edward Springer, GSA Desk Officer, Room 3235, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and to Marjorie Ashby, General Services Administration (MVP), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Al Matera, Office of GSA Acquisition Policy (202) 501-1224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The GSA is requesting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to review and approve information collection, 3090-0198, concerning Foreign Acquisition. Offerors are required to identify whether items are foreign source end products and the dollar amount of import duty for each product.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 9; annual responses: 9; average hours per response: .10; burden hours: 1.5.

COPY OF PROPOSAL: A copy of this proposal may be obtained from the GSA Acquisition Policy Division (MVP), Room 4011, GSA Building, 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405, or by telephoning (202) 501-3822, or by faxing your request to (202) 501-3341.

Dated: July 30, 1998.

Ida M. Ustad,

Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Acquisition Policy.

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**GENERAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 3090-0027]

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request Entitled Contract
Administration and Quality Assurance**

AGENCY: Office of Acquisition Policy, GSA.

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding extension to an existing OMB clearance (3090-0027).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1955 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Office of Acquisition Policy has submitted to the

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Contract Administration and Quality Assurance. A request for public comments was published at 63 FR 29412, May 29, 1998. No comments were received.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The GSA is requesting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to review and approve information collection 3090-0027, Contract Administration and Quality Assurance. This information is used by various contract administration and other support offices for quality assurance, acceptance of supplies and services, shipments, and to justify payments.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 2,800; annual responses: 33,600; average hours per response: .05; burden hours: 2,800.

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Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy.

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**GENERAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION**

Federal Supply Service

**Solicitation of Third Party Logistics
Services for Freight Shipment Test
Pilot Project**

AGENCY: Federal Supply Service, GSA.

ACTION: Notice of proposed solicitation for comment.

SUMMARY: The General Services Administration (GSA) is planning to issue a solicitation for award of a firm fixed price plus incentive task order contract for Third Party Logistics (3PL) Services. The contract awarded will be used to pilot test the potential economies and efficiencies of using 3PL services for Government freight traffic and to evaluate whether proposed new approaches to ordering transportation services and paying and auditing transportation billings could be used on a Governmentwide basis. The majority of shipments in the test will originate at GSA's Southeastern Distribution Center (SEDC), 8400 Tatum Road, Palmetto, Georgia for delivery to the SEDC's primary customer locations. GSA solicits your comments on the proposed solicitation outlined in the supplementary information.

DATES: Please submit your comments by October 6, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to the Transportation Management Division (FBF), General Services Administration, Washington, DC 20406, Attn: 3PL **Federal Register** Notice. GSA will consider your comments prior to finalizing the solicitation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Patricia Walker, Contract Management Division (4FQ-P), 401 West Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 2600, Atlanta, GA 30365, Telephone No. 404-331-3509.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the pilot test described in the summary, GSA proposes to change a variety of transportation-related procedures. Specifically, GSA intends for the 3PL to:

- (a) Use commercial forms and/or electronic commerce;
- (b) Pre-screen carriers for participation in GSA's freight program and monitor and report on carrier performance;
- (c) Select carriers and use multiple procurement strategies (e.g., shipment consolidations, spot bids, etc.) to attain cost efficiencies;
- (d) Manage freight shipments from receipt of shipment data through delivery;
- (e) Track/trace shipments and provide access to tracking/tracing information via the internet so GSA customers can monitor shipment status;
- (f) Manage loss and damage claims from receipt and evaluation of loss/damage reports to filing, tracking, monitoring, and settling claims; and
- (g) Pay carriers for transportation services provided through use of a Government charge card.

Interested parties may obtain a copy of the solicitation by writing to Ms. Patricia Walker at the address indicated in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** paragraph.

Dated: August 3, 1998.

Allan J. Zaic,

Assistant Commissioner, Office of Transportation and Property Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Notice of Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary.

ACTION: Revised notice of meeting.

The Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability will meet on August 27, 1998, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on August 28, 1998 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The meeting will take place in the Ticonderoga Room of the Hyatt Regency Hotel on Capitol Hill, 400 New Jersey, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001. The meeting will be entirely open to the public.

The agenda of this meeting has been revised as follows: on August 27, 1998 the Committee will consider potential barriers to the evolution from human- to recombinant-based blood products. The focus of this discussion will be on blood products used by patients with bleeding disorders. The discussion will be limited to this topic so that the Committee can discuss, on August 28, 1998 what, if any, additional recommendations it may wish to make regarding the transmissible spongiform encephalopathies and blood safety.

Public comment on the first topic will be solicited at or about 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 1998; public comment on the second topic will be solicited at or about

11:00 a.m. on August 28, 1998. Public comment will be limited to three minutes per speaker. Those who wish to have printed material distributed to Advisory Committee members should submit thirty (30) copies to the Executive Secretary prior to close of business August 14, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephen D. Nightingale, M.D., Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability, Office of Public Health and Safety, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201. Phone (202) 690-5560 FAX (202) 690-6584 e-mail SNIGHTIN@osophs.dhhs.gov.

Dated: July 27, 1998.

Stephen D. Nightingale,

Executive Secretary, Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Early Head Start Evaluation.

OMB No: 0970-0143.

Description: The Head Start Reauthorization Act of 1994 established a special initiative creating funding for services for families with infants and toddlers. In response the Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF) designed the Early Head Start (EHS) program. In September 1995, ACYF awarded grants to 68 local programs to serve families with infants and toddlers. ACYF has subsequently awarded grants to an additional 107 local programs, for a total of 175 EHS programs.

EHS programs are designed to produce outcomes in four domains: (1) child development, (2) family development, (3) staff development, and (4) community development. The Reauthorization required that this new initiative be evaluated. To study the effect of the initiative, ACYF awarded a contract through a competitive procurement to Mathematical Policy Research, Inc. (MPR) with a subcontract to Columbia University's Center for Young Children and Families. The evaluation will be carried out from October 1, 1995 through September 30, 2000. Data collection activities that are the subject of this Federal Register notice are intended for the third and final phase of the EHS evaluation.

The sample for the child and family assessments will be approximately 3,000 families who include a pregnant woman or a child under 12 months of age, in 17 EHS study sites. Each family will be randomly assigned to a treatment group or a control group. The sample for the child care assessments will include the primary child care provider for the focal child in each of the 3,000 study sample families. The surveys and assessments will be conducted through computer-assisted telephone and personal interviewing, pencil and paper self-administered questionnaires, structured observations and videotaping. All data collection instruments have been designed to minimize the burden on respondents by minimizing interviewing and assessment time. Participation in the study is voluntary and confidential.

The information will be used by government managers, Congress and others to identify the features and evaluate the effectiveness of the EHS program.

Respondents: Applicants to the Early Head Start program and child care providers for Early Head Start families and control group families.

Annual Burden Estimates:

| Instrument | Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Average burden hours per response | Total burden hours |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 36-Month Parent Interview, Child Assessment, and Videotaping Protocol | 576 | 1 | 2.0 | 1,152 |
| Child Care Provider Interview: | | | | |
| Child Care Centers— | | | | |
| Center Directors | 161 | 1 | .25 | 40 |
| Direct Provider | 161 | 1 | .17 | 27 |
| Classroom Staff | 161 | 1 | .17 | 27 |
| Family Child Care Providers | 40 | 1 | .5 | 20 |
| Family Provider Assistants | 9 | 1 | .17 | 1 |
| Relative Care Providers | 113 | 1 | .5 | 57 |
| Relative Provider Assistants | 25 | 1 | .17 | 4 |
| Child Care Provider Observation Protocol: | | | | |
| Child Care Centers— | | | | |
| Family Child Care Providers | 161 | 1 | 2 | 321 |
| Relative Care Providers | 40 | 1 | 2 | 79 |