

2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodity and services to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46—48c) in connection with the commodity and services proposed for deletion from the Procurement List.

The following commodities have been proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

Stool

P.S. #127-A

P.S. #127-B

P.S. #127-C

P.S. #127-D

Pad, Typewriter 7510-00-849-1137

7510-00-530-6412

7510-00-257-2576

Cleaner, Tobacco Pipe

M.R. 204

**Beverly L. Milkman,**

*Executive Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Export Administration

#### National Security Assessment of the U.S. Maritime Industry

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, 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:** Written comments must be submitted on or before November 24, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Stephen Baker, Trade & Industry Analyst, Bureau of Export Administration (BXA), Department of Commerce, Room 3876, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington,

DC 20230 (telephone no. (202) 482-2017 or 3795).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

Commerce/BXA, in coordination with the Department of the Navy, Carderock Division, and the Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration is conducting a survey of the U.S. maritime industry in order to assess the health and competitiveness as well as the technology requirements of the forms that comprise this critical sector.

##### II. Method of Collection

The information will be collected using a non-recurring, mandatory survey. It will be collected in written form.

##### III. Data

The survey will collect information on the nature of the business performed by each firm; estimated sales and employment data; financial information; research and development expenditures and funding sources; capital expenditures and funding sources; competitiveness issues and technology requirements.

*OMB Number:* N/A.

*Form Number:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Regular Submission.

*Affected Public:* The vendor, supplier and manufacturer base of the U.S. Maritime industry.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,000.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 4.0 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 8,000 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$210,080 for respondents—no equipment or other materials will need to be purchased to comply with the requirement.

##### IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) 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 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: September 22, 1998.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Export Administration

#### Materials Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

A meeting of the Materials Technical Advisory Committee will be held October 15, 1998, 10:30 a.m., Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 1617M-2, 14th Street Between Constitution & Pennsylvania Avenues, NW., Washington DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration with respect to technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to materials and related technology.

#### Agenda

##### General Session

1. Opening remarks by the Chairman.
2. Discussion of issues related to the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC).
3. Status of BWC implementation protocol negotiations.
4. Presentation of papers and comments by the public.

##### Executive Session

5. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with U.S. export control programs and strategic criteria related thereto.

The General Session of the meeting will be open to the public and a limited number of seats will be available. Reservations are not required. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. Written statements may be submitted at any time before or after the meeting.

However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the materials should be forwarded two weeks prior to the meeting to the address below:

Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, Bureau of Export Administration, MS: 3886C, U.S. Department of Commerce, 15 St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on February 24, 1998, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the series of meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee and of any Subcommittee thereof dealing with the classified materials listed in 5 U.S.C. 552(c)(1) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in section 10(a)(1) and (a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The remaining series of meetings or portions thereof will be open to the public.

A copy of the Notice of Determination to close meetings or portions of meetings of the Committee is available for public inspection and copying in the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. For further information or copies of the minutes call (202) 4822583.

**Lee Ann Carpenter,**

*Director, Technical Advisory Committee Unit.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 44-98]

#### Foreign-Trade Zone 137—Washington Dulles International Airport, Virginia Area; Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by Washington Dulles Foreign Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of FTZ 137 (Fairfax/Loudoun Counties, Virginia), requesting authority to expand its zone to include sites in Virginia's Eastern Shore region, adjacent to the Cambridge, Maryland and Norfolk-Newport News, Virginia, Customs ports of entry. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on September 15, 1998.

FTZ 137 was approved on April 17, 1987 (Board Order 350, 52 F.R. 13489, 4/23/87). The zone project currently consists of the following sites (250 acres): *Site 1*—within the Washington Dulles International Airport complex, Fairfax and Loudoun Counties; and, *Site 2*—warehouse facility, 110 Terminal Drive, Sterling. An application is currently pending with the Board for an

additional site in Loudoun County, two miles west of the airport (Doc. 40-97).

This application is requesting authority to expand the general-purpose zone to include 3 new sites (6,788 acres) in the Eastern Shore region of Virginia (Proposed Sites 4-6): *Proposed Site 4* (6,187 acres, 2 parcels)—the Goddard Space Flight Center-Wallops Flight Facility (Accomack County), owned by NASA—*Parcel 1* (1,856 acres)—NASA Wallop Flight Facility—Main Base (a former U.S. naval air station), Accomack County; and, *Parcel 2* (4,331 acres)—NASA Wallop Flight Facility, Wallops Island, Chincoteague (Accomack County); *Proposed Site 5* (449 acres)—Accomack Airport Industrial Park, U.S. Highway 13 & Parkway Road, Melfa (Accomack County); and, *Proposed Site 6* (130 acres)—within the 579-acre Port of Cape Charles Sustainable Technologies Industrial Park, two miles from U.S. 13 on SR 1108, Bayshore Drive, Northampton County, Virginia. NASA has signed an agreement with the Virginia Commercial Space Flight Authority (VCSFA) that allows VCSFA to develop proposed Site 4 as a center for commercial space launch services. The Wallops Flight Facility includes orbital tracking stations, research facilities, and facilities for testing, assembly and preparation of rockets and payloads, as well as several launch platforms suitable for military and commercial rocket launches. Proposed Site 5 is owned by Accomack County, Virginia, and the Accomack Industrial Development Authority. Proposed Site 6 is owned by Northampton County, Virginia. No specific manufacturing requests are being made at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is November 24, 1998. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to December 9, 1998.

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

Eastern Shore of Virginia Economic, Development Commission, 23372 Front Street, Accomack, VA 23301,

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230

Dated: September 17, 1998.

**Dennis Puccinelli,**

*Acting Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Southeast Region Dealer and Interview Family of Forms

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, 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)).

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to John Poffenberger, Southeast Fisheries Science Center, 75 Virginia Beach Drive, Miami, FL 33149, (305) 361-4263.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The Southeast Fisheries Science Center is proposing to change the procedures that will be used to monitor the commercial quota for red snapper in the Gulf of Mexico. Under the authority of 50 CFR 622.5, dealers that are selected to report will have to submit a form with the purchases that were made during each 7 day period the season is open. These forms will have to be submitted to the Center within two working days after each weekly reporting period. Under the existing procedures, NMFS port agents contact dealers to collect the weekly landings