

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposals to add to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and to delete commodities previously furnished by such agencies.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: June 1, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a) (2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed actions.

Additions

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to procure the services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the services to the Government.

2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the 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 services proposed for addition to the Procurement List. Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

The following services have been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Janitorial/Custodial

INS Detention Center, 1115 N. Imperial Highway, El Centro, CA
NPA: Association for Retarded Citizens—Imperial Valley, El Centro, California

Janitorial/Custodial, Santa Ana Federal Building, 34 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, California
U.S. Customhouse, 300 S. Ferry Street, Terminal Island, California
NPA: Goodwill Industries of Orange County, Santa Ana, California

Security Services

Air Passenger Terminal, Travis Air Force Base, California
NPA: PRIDE Industries, Roseville, California

Deletions

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities 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 commodities proposed for deletion from the Procurement List.

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

Pencil, Mechanical

7520-00-164-8950
7520-00-268-9916

Beverly L. Milkman,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Electronic Commerce Working Group

AGENCIES: National Economic Council, Office of Science and Technology Policy, National Science Foundation and the Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of a public conference.

SUMMARY: Leaders from industry, academia, and government will convene at the U.S. Department of Commerce in the first public conference to discuss methods to measure the impact of the Internet, the World Wide Web and electronic commerce on the US economy and society. This conference, UNDERSTANDING THE DIGITAL ECONOMY—DATA, TOOLS AND RESEARCH, is a direct result of the President's November 1998 directive to analyze the economic implications of the Internet and electronic commerce. Sessions will focus on the state of

research on the digital economy and what is needed to monitor its future development.

Further information on the conference schedule, speakers, and registration is posted at: www.digitaleconomy.gov

DATES: May 25-26, 1999.

TIME: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20230. This program is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Request for sign language interpretation should be submitted no later than May 5, 1999 to Ronald Levin, Room 2815, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20230. Seating is limited and registration is on a first come first serve basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Ronald Levin, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. (Ronald—Levin@ita.doc.gov) 202-482-1678.

Dated: April 26, 1999.

Ronald Levin,

Office of Trade and Economic Analysis.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Census 2000 Partnership and Marketing Program Evaluation (PMPE)

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 June 29, 1999.

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 Sherri Norris, Bureau of

the Census, Room BH-120-2, Washington, DC 20233; (301) 457-8081.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

As part of Census 2000, the Census Bureau is conducting a comprehensive program of evaluations designed to measure how well our programs, operations, and procedures perform. The Census 2000 Partnership and Marketing Program is included in this evaluation program. This evaluation will focus attention on the paid advertising and partnership components.

The promotional advertising strategy will be implemented in three phases. The first will occur in November 1999-January 2000 and is referred to as the Educational Phase. The intent is to familiarize the public with the census and educate them about its purposes. The Educational Phase will include national television, radio, and magazine advertising aimed at the least likely to respond segment of the general public. This phase will also contain extra efforts concentrated on educating four targeted audiences (African Americans, Hispanics, Asians, and American Indians) through television, radio, magazine and newspaper advertising.

The second phase will be launched in January 2000. This is the largest component of the advertising strategy and is known as the Motivational Phase. The advertising will again utilize a variety of media (English and non-English) including national television, local targeted television, local radio, magazines, newspapers, out-of-home advertisements, and the Internet. This phase will address both the general public and targeted populations. It also will include some non-traditional media (e.g., posters in convenience stores). The primary message of the Motivational Phase is to participate in the Census by mailing back a census form. This phase will conclude in April 2000.

The final advertising phase will commence shortly before the Census Bureau begins its Nonresponse Follow-up operation. The advertising messages during this phase will stress the importance of cooperating with personal visit enumerators for those who failed to return a census form. This phase will last until June 2000 and will address both the general public and targeted audiences through radio and television advertising.

The Partnership Program will build partnerships with state, local, and tribal governments, community-based organizations, and the private sector. The Program has both a national and regional focus to develop awareness

about Census 2000. On the national level, the Program is designed to implement promotional activities that may be sponsored by national umbrella government and nongovernmental organizations. In addition, the Census Bureau is partnering with Fortune 500 companies to promote the importance of the census through the services and products they provide.

The Census 2000 Partnership and Marketing Program has two goals: (1) To increase the awareness of the census, and (2) to increase mailback response rates, especially among historically undercounted populations. The program combines public awareness, promotion, and outreach activities to generate clear, consistent, repeated messages about the importance of participating in Census 2000.

To evaluate these goals, the Census Bureau plans to hire a contractor to conduct an impact assessment of the marketing and advertising campaign using before and after research design. This design will allow the Census Bureau to measure change in awareness to the decennial census by conducting a survey before the marketing campaign has begun and then again after the campaign has been launched. In all, the contractor will develop three survey instruments implemented in three waves. The contractor will increase the sample in the last wave to perform additional analysis of the Partnership Program. Even though the Partnership evaluation will be based upon the last wave, the questionnaires for waves 1 and 2 will contain partnership-related questions to avoid possible context effects and bias across the different data collections.

The questionnaires will consist of different sections including questions related to: media use, awareness of government agencies and programs, awareness of community agencies and programs, free recall of exposure to the paid advertising, free recall of exposure to partnership-sponsored activities, aided recall about source of information, knowledge and attitudes about the census, aided recall of specific advertising, aided recall of specific partnership activities, and census form receipt, handling, mailback behavior, and demographic information.

The first wave of interviews will be conducted in September-October 1999 before the Educational Phase of advertising is launched. A total of 2500 interviews will be completed nationally. The sample will be drawn so that it is sufficient to yield statistically reliable results for the total population and for the four targeted populations (African Americans, Hispanics, Asians, and

American Indians). These interviews will reflect a selected oversampling of the four subpopulations. The second wave of interviews will be conducted in February-mid-March 2000. A total of 2500 interviews will be conducted with similar oversampling. The final wave of interviews will be conducted during April 9-May 9, 2000. This survey will contain the larger number of questions for the assessment of census form mailback behavior and the Partnership Program to measure recall and exposure to partnership-related events and activities. A total of 4000 interviews with oversampling of the four targeted groups will be completed. Both Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI) and personal visit interviewing will be conducted in all three waves. Where valid phone numbers cannot be obtained for a sample case, a personal visit interview will be conducted.

The survey instruments will be modeled after previous Census Bureau surveys of a similar nature. In order to carry out historical comparisons to the 1990 publicity campaign, the instrument will replicate, at least in part, questions from the 1990 Outreach Evaluation Survey.

II. Method of Collection

The collection methodology for all three waves of the Census 2000 Partnership and Marketing Program Evaluation (PMPE) will consist of CATI with follow-up by personal interview using a paper form.

III. Data

OMB Number: Not available.

Form Number: Forthcoming.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

WAVE 1 = 2,500

WAVE 2 = 2,500

WAVE 3 = 4,000

Total = 9,000 respondents

Estimated Time Per Response:

Wave 1

- 15 minutes for the telephone interview with a human operator.
- 20 minutes for the personal follow-up interview completion of a paper questionnaire.

Wave 2

- 15 minutes for the telephone interview with a human operator.
- 20 minutes for the personal follow-up interview completion of a paper questionnaire

Wave 3

- 20 minutes for the telephone interview with a human operator.
- 25 minutes for the personal follow-up interview completion of a paper questionnaire.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours:

- Wave 1 = 730 hours
- Wave 2 = 730 hours
- Wave 3 = 1,500 hours
- Total = 2,960 annual burden hours

Estimated Total Annual Cost: There is no cost to the respondent other than the time to complete the information requested.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Sections 141 and 193.

IV. Request for 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 a 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: April 20, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocations in Part

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

ACTION: Notice of initiation of antidumping and countervailing duty administrative reviews and requests for revocations in part.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce has received requests to conduct administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with MARCH anniversary dates. In accordance with the Department's regulations, we are

initiating those administrative reviews. The Department of Commerce also received requests to revoke three antidumping duty orders in part.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 30, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Holly A. Kuga, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-4737.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department has received timely requests, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b)(1997), for administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with MARCH anniversary dates. The Department also received timely requests to revoke in part the antidumping duty orders on Steel Wire Rope from South Korea and Mexico and Fresh Cut Flowers from Colombia.

Initiation of Reviews

In accordance with section 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we are initiating administrative reviews of the following antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings. We intend to issue the final results of these reviews not later than MARCH 31, 2000.

	Period to be reviewed
Antidumping Duty Proceedings	
Brazil: Ferrosilicon, A-351-820	3/1/98-2/28/99
Companhia Ferroligas Minas Gerais-Minasligas	
Companhia de Ferro Ligas da Bahia	
Colombia: Fresh Cut Flowers, A-301-602	3/1/98-2/28/99
Abaco Tulipanex de Colombia	
Achalay	
Aga Group	
Agricola la Celestina	
Agricola la Maria	
Agricola Benilda Ltda.	
Agrex de Oriente	
Agricola Acevedo	
Agricola Altiplano	
Agricola Arenales Ltda.	
Agricola Bonanza Ltda.	
Agricola Circasia Ltda.	
Agricola de Los Alisos Ltda.	
Agricola De Occident	
Agricola Del Monte	
Agricola El Cactus S.A.	
Agricola El Castillo S.A.C.I.	
Agricola El Pacayal Ltda.	
Agricola El Redil	
Agricola El Rocío	
Agricola Guali S.A.	
Agricola La Corsaria C.I. Ltda.	
Agricola El Socaire Ltda.	
Agricola La Floresta Ltda.	
Agricola La Montana Ltda.	