

giving rise to its involvement, and an estimate of when the FHC anticipates ceasing routinely managing or operating the portfolio company.

FR 4023

The general policies and procedures that an FHC must establish with respect to merchant banking must be reasonably designed to:⁸

- Monitor, with respect to each investment and the entire portfolio, carrying and market values and performance;
- identify and manage market, credit, and other risks of such investments;
- identify and monitor terms and risks of transactions of companies in which the FHC has merchant banking investments;
- ensure the corporate separateness of the FHC and the companies in which it has merchant banking investments;
- ensure compliance with sections 23A and 23B of the FRA, anti-tying statutes, Regulation Y, and any other applicable provisions of law.

Legal Authorization and Confidentiality

- FR 4010 is authorized by section 4(l)(1)(C) of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843(l)(1)(C)); section 10(c)(2)(H) of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1467a(c)(2)(H)); section 8(a) of the International Banking Act (12 U.S.C. 3106(a)); sections 225.82 and 225.91 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.82, 225.91; and section 238.65 of the Board's Regulation LL (12 CFR 238.65)).
- FR 4011 is authorized by section 4(j) and (k) of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843(j)–(k)), and sections 225.88 and 225.89 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.88, 225.89).
- FR 4012 is authorized by section 4(l)(1) and 4(m) of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843(l)(1), (m)); section 10(c)(2)(H) of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1467a(c)(2)(H)); section 8(a) of the International Banking Act (12 U.S.C. 3106(a)); sections 225.83 and 225.93 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.83, 225.93); and section 238.66(b) of the Board's Regulation LL (12 CFR 238.66(b)).
- FR 4017 is authorized by section 9 of the FRA (12 U.S.C. 335), and section 208.76 of the Board's Regulation H (12 CFR 208.76).
- FR 4019 is authorized by section 4(k)(7) of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843(k)(7)); sections 225.171(e)(3), 225.172(b)(4); and section 225.173(c)(2) of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.171(e)(3), 225.172(b)(4), 225.173(c)(2)).

- FR 4023 is authorized by section 4(k)(7) of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843(k)(7)), and sections 225.171(e)(4) and 225.175 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.171(e)(4), 225.175).

The obligation to respond to the FR 4011 is voluntary (for requests to determine that an activity is financial in nature or to issue an advisory opinion that an activity is within the scope of an activity previously determined to be financial in nature) and required to obtain or retain benefits (for approvals to engage in an activity that is complementary to a financial activity). The obligation to respond to the FR 4010, FR 4017, and FR 4019 is required to obtain or retain benefits. The obligation to respond to FR 4012 and the obligation to comply with the recordkeeping requirements of the FR 4023 is mandatory.

The information collected on the FR 4010, FR 4011, FR 4017, and FR 4019 and information related to a failure to meet capital requirements on the FR 4012 is not generally considered confidential. Nevertheless, a respondent may request confidential treatment of information contained in these information collections in accordance with section (b)(4) or (b)(6) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), (b)(6)). Any request for confidential treatment of information must be accompanied by a detailed justification for confidentiality. Information related to a failure to meet management requirements on the FR 4012 is considered confidential and exempt from disclosure under section (b)(4), because the release of this information would cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the entity, and section (b)(8), if the information is related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), (b)(8)).

Additionally, the records kept in accordance with the Recordkeeping Requirements Associated with Merchant Banking Activities are retained by the respondent itself and the FOIA would only be implicated if the Board's examiners retained a copy of the records as part of an examination or supervision of a banking institution. In this case, the records would likely be exempt from disclosure under exemption (b)(8), for examination material. 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(8). In addition, the records may also be exempt under (b)(4) and (b)(6).

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 13, 2016.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000–0094]; [Docket 2016–0053; Sequence 11]

Submission for OMB Review; Debarment and Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters

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

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act the Regulatory Secretariat Division will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a previously approved information collection requirement concerning debarment and suspension. This request also incorporated two other related information collection requirements (“Information Regarding Responsibility Matters” and “Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations—Representation and Notification”), which will be cancelled upon approval of this clearance. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** at 81 FR 8719 on February 22, 2016. One comment was received.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 17, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Office for GSA, Room 10236, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503. Additionally, submit a copy to GSA by any of the following methods:

- *Regulations.gov:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching the OMB control number. Select the link “Submit a Comment” that corresponds

⁸ 12 CFR 225.175(a)(1).

with “Information Collection 9000–0094, Debarment and Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters”. Follow the instructions provided at the “Submit a Comment” screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and “Information Collection 9000–0094, Debarment and Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters” on your attached document.

• *Mail:* General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW., Washington, DC 20405. ATTN: Ms. Flowers/IC 9000–0094, Debarment and Suspension.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000–0094, Debarment and Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters, in all correspondence related to this collection. Comments received generally will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check www.regulations.gov, approximately two to three days after submission to verify posting (except allow 30 days for posting of comments submitted by mail).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Cecelia L. Davis, Procurement Analyst, Office of Acquisition Policy, at 202–219–0202 or via email at cecelia.davis@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

1. Suspension and Debarment

The FAR requires contracts to be awarded to only those contractors determined to be responsible. Instances where a firm, its principals, or subcontractors, have been indicted, convicted, suspended, proposed for debarment, debarred, or had a contract terminated for default are critical factors to be considered by a Government contracting officer in making a responsibility determination. FAR 52.209–5 and 52.212–3(h), Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters, and FAR 52.209–6, Protecting the Government’s Interest when Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment, require the disclosure of this and other information relating to responsibility.

2. Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Transfer From OMB Clearance Number 9000–0174)

The Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS) was developed to meet the

statutory requirement to develop and maintain an information system that contains specific information on the integrity and performance of covered Federal agency contractors and grantees. FAPIIS provides users access to integrity and performance information from the FAPIIS reporting module in the Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System (CPARS), as well as proceedings information and suspension/debarment information from the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) and the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS) functions in the System for Award Management (SAM).

The prescription at FAR 9.104–7(b) requires contracting officers to insert the provision at 52.209–7, Information Regarding Responsibility Matters, in solicitations where the resultant contract value is expected to exceed \$550,000. This provision contains a check box to be completed by the offeror indicating whether or not it has current active Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000. If the offeror indicated that it has current active Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000, then the offeror must enter certain responsibility information into FAPIIS.

FAR 52.209–9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters, requires each contractor that checked in the provision at 52.209–7 that it has current active Federal contracts and grants with total value greater than \$10,000,000, to update responsibility information in FAPIIS on a semiannual basis, throughout the life of the contract.

3. Prohibition on Contracting With Inverted Domestic Corporations—Representation and Notification (Transfer From OMB Clearance Number 9000–0190)

FAR 52.209–2 and 52.212–3(n), Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations—Representation, is prescribed at 9.108–5(a) for use in each solicitation for the acquisition of products and services (including construction). The provision requires each offeror to represent whether it is, or is not, an inverted domestic corporation or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.

FAR 52.209–10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations, is prescribed for use at FAR 9.108–5(b) for use in each solicitation and contract for the acquisition of products and services (including construction). This clause requires the contractor to promptly notify the contracting officer in the event the contractor becomes an

inverted domestic corporation or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.

B. Discussion and Analysis

The analysis of the public comment is summarized as follows:

One response was received. The commenter supports the efforts to contract with only responsible parties and to assure contracting officers engage in appropriate due diligence to support this effort.

Comment: According to the respondent, the Federal Government has drastically underestimated the burden associated with compiling and reporting the requisite information by failing to take into account the offeror’s obligation to assure that the information provided is current, accurate, and complete. It also fails to account for the requirement to update the information no less than semi-annually.

Response: FAR 52.209–7 requires the contractor to enter information into FAPIIS and FAR 52.209–9 requires the contractor to update this information semi-annually. The initial burden estimate for FAR 52.209–9 does take into account entering the information semi-annually. However, based on the comment, an adjustment was made from .5 hours to 1 hour per response, for FAR 52.209–9. The change doubles the initial burden estimate for that clause to allow more time for this action.

Comment: The commenter stated that the Government may have understated the recordkeeping burden by several orders of magnitude. The number of recordkeepers does not equal the number of respondents and is unclear as to why. One cannot reasonably expect an offeror to provide the required information and certify it as current, accurate, and complete without maintaining the requisite litigation, employment, and corporate records.

Response: In this situation, the estimate for recordkeeping is based on the number of offerors submitting data into FAPIIS, whether or not they receive an award. This provision requires that for each solicitation where the resultant contract value is expected to exceed \$550,000, the offeror responds in paragraph (b) as to whether or not it has active Federal contracts that total more than \$10,000,000. Only if the offeror responds affirmatively is there any further information collection requirement. The recordkeepers maintain the company’s information internally. This explains the difference between the number of respondents and the number of recordkeepers.

Comment: According to the commenter, the requirement to provide

“Information Regarding Responsibility Matters” under 52.209–7 violates Executive Order 13610, Identifying and Reducing Regulatory Burdens, in that it is a redundant collection of information and fails to maximize the re-use of data that are already collected. The commenter states that FAR clauses 52.209–5 and 52.209–7 request for information overlaps and yet is different enough to create substantial additional burden and confusion for offerors evaluating instance of litigation under both standards.

Response: FAR 52.209–7 is a statutory clause that requires the Government to collect information that is loaded into FAPIIS. The clause must be implemented as intended. Some of the information being collected may seem redundant but it has different criteria. It is not identical information and used differently. Furthermore, the thresholds are different.

FAR 52.209–5 implements policy guidance on debarment, suspension and ineligibility. FAR 52.209–5 is a certification that is placed in all solicitations when the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and covers 3 years. FAR 52.209–7 goes in solicitations expected to exceed \$550,000 and covers 5 years and requires that the information be placed into FAPIIS (as required by statute).

Comment: The existence of FAR 52.209–5 and 52.209–11 obviate the need for FAR 52.209–7 because all three clauses use offeror's litigation history as an indicator of it present responsibility.

Response: These data requirements are different. One major difference between these clauses is that FAR 52.209–7 collects data to be added into FAPIIS. The others do not. Therefore, FAR 52.209–7 has a different requirement intent and needed.

Comment: FAR 52.209–7 requires offerors to report information on matters so old they are no longer relevant to present responsibility.

Response: The statute that this clause is based requires that it collects 5 years of data.

C. Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden

Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 486,000.

Responses per Respondent: 2.55.

Total Annual Responses: 1,239,602.

Hours per Response: 0.34.

Total Burden Hours: 415,687.

Annual Recordkeeping Burden

Recordkeepers: 5,080.

Hours per Recordkeeper: 100.

Total Annual Recordkeeping Hours: 508,000.

Public Comments

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary; whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW., Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202–501–4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000–0094, Debarment and Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters, in all correspondence.

Dated: October 13, 2016.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Docket No. CDC–2016–0094]

Proposed Revised Vaccine Information Materials for MMR (Measles, Mumps, and Rubella) and MMRV (Measles, Mumps, Rubella, and Varicella) Vaccines

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice with comment period.

SUMMARY: Under the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (NCVIA) (42 U.S.C. 300aa–26), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) develops vaccine information materials that all health care providers are required to give to patients/parents prior to

administration of specific vaccines. HHS/CDC seeks written comment on the proposed updated vaccine information statements for MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) and MMRV (measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella) vaccines.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before December 19, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC–2016–0094, by any of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- **Mail:** Written comments should be addressed to Suzanne Johnson-DeLeon (VIScomments@cdc.gov), National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mailstop A–19, 1600 Clifton Road NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number. All relevant comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Skip Wolfe, National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mailstop A–19, 1600 Clifton Road NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30329, email: VIScomments@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99–660), as amended by section 708 of Public Law 103–183, added section 2126 to the Public Health Service Act. Section 2126, codified at 42 U.S.C. 300aa–26, requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to develop and disseminate vaccine information materials for distribution by all health care providers in the United States to any patient (or to the parent or legal representative in the case of a child) receiving vaccines covered under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP).

Development and revision of the vaccine information materials, also known as Vaccine Information Statements (VIS), have been delegated by the Secretary to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Section 2126 requires that the materials be developed, or revised, after notice to the public, with a 60-day comment period, and in consultation with the Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines, appropriate health care provider and parent organizations, and