

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 October 15, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting 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 Robert J. Spar, Patent and Trademark Office (PTO), Washington, DC 20231, and (703)305-9285.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information collection is necessary to process international patent applications filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty. The affected public includes any individual or institution that files or prosecutes an international patent application.

II. Method of Collection

By mail, facsimile or hand-carry when the applicant or agent files an international patent application with the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) or submits subsequent papers during the prosecution of the international application to the PTO or International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0651-0021.

Form Numbers: PCT/RO/101/134/144, PTO-1382, PCT/IPEA/401, PCT/IB/328, PCT/Model of power of attorney, PCT/Model of general power of attorney.

Type of Review: Reinstatement with change.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other non-profit institutions, not-for-profit institutions and Federal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15,800.

Estimated Time Per Response: .25 hours to approximately 3 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 58,910.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost Burden: \$2,176,276.

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 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, 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 or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 7, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,
Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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Technology Administration

National Medal of Technology

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 Katie Wolf, National Medal of Technology, Technology Administration, Room 4823 Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, 202/482-3953 phone, and 202/482-6184 fax.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This is a renewal of a currently approved submission by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Technology Administration. The nominating forms associated with this annual Presidential Medal contain information that is necessary in order to select no more than 12 of the Nation's outstanding contributors to the promotion of technology for the improvement of this country's competitiveness.

II. Method of Collection

Nomination forms are made available for wide public distribution. Individuals and/or companies voluntarily complete the forms and submit them to the Department of Commerce, Technology Administration by mail.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0692-0001.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission for a renewal.

Affected Public: Individuals, businesses, non-profit institutions, Federal agencies or employees and small businesses or organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 125.

Estimated Time Per Response: 3 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$15,000.

IV. Requests 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 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 will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 7, 1996.
Linda Engelmeier,
*Acting Departmental Forms Clearance
Officer, Office of Management and
Organization.*
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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Notice of Intent to Renew Information Collection #3038-0043—Review of National Futures Association Decisions in Disciplinary, Membership Denial, Registration and Member Responsibility Actions; Public Information Collection Requirement

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading
Commission.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission is planning to renew information collection 3038-0043, Review of National Futures Association Decisions in Disciplinary, Membership Denial, Registration and Member Responsibility Actions under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Public Law 96-511 as amended. The information collected pursuant to Commission rules provides a basis for determining if a registered futures association provides fair and orderly procedures for membership and disciplinary actions.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should contact Jeff Hill, Office of Management and Budget, Room 3228, NEOB, Washington, DC 20502, (202) 395-7340.

Title: Review of National Futures Association Decisions in Disciplinary, Membership Denial, Registration and Member Responsibility Actions.

Control Number: 3038-0043.

Action: Extension.

Respondents: Registered Futures Associations and Individuals.

Estimated Annual Burden: 455.5 total hours.

Respondents	Regulation (17 CFR)	Estimated number of respondents	Annual responses	Est. avg. hours per response
Individuals and Registered Futures Associations	1.71	103	199	2.28

Issued in Washington, DC on August 7, 1996.
Catherine D. Dixon,
Assistant to the Secretary of the Commission.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant
Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs announces the proposed revision of a previously approved public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use

of automated data collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received October 15, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to: Commander, Naval Health Research Center, Box 85122, San Diego, CA 92186-5122.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and the associated collection instruments, please write to the above address or call Commander Greg Gray, M.C., U.S.N. at (619) 553-9967.

TITLE, ASSOCIATED FORM, AND OMB NUMBER: Epidemiologic Studies or Morbidity Among Gulf War Veterans: A search for Etiologic Agents and Risk Factors; OMB Number 0720-0010.

NEEDS AND USES: This information collection requirement is necessary to obtain and provide the Department of Defense with information to evaluate whether military veterans have a greater risk of adverse reproductive outcomes associated with overseas deployments or occupational and environmental exposures. Specifically, the study focuses on early pregnancy losses, infertility, delayed conception and miscarriages. Information from this study may assist the DoD and the Department of Veterans Affairs and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

in evaluating adverse reproductive outcomes and the effects of various environmental exposures as well as subsequently help define reproductive health policy.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,070.

Number of Respondents: 9,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.05 responses per respondent.

Average Burden Per Response: 22 minutes.

Frequency: One time and follow-up.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

The information is being collected as part of a research program dictated under Public Law 103-337 SEC722, which directs the Secretary of Defense to conduct and administer grants for studies in order to determine the nature and cause of illnesses as a consequence of service deployment in overseas operations. This collection instrument is for use by researchers from the Departments of Defense, Veterans Affairs, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the US Environmental Protection Agency, and the University of California. Respondents are current and former military personnel from all branches of the military including reservists and members of the National Guard. This survey instrument will provide the above agencies with information on the prevalence of any possible adverse reproductive outcomes