comments should address one or more of the following four points:

1. Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used:

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be

collected; and

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to Mr. James M. Sheehan, 202–307–7250, Chief, Registration Unit, Drug Operations Section, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Washington, DC 20537. If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Mr. James M. Sheehan.

Additionally, comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530. Additional comments may be submitted to DOJ via facsimile at 202–514–1590.

Overview of this information collection:

- 1. Type of Information Collection: Revision of a currently approved collection.
- 2. Title of the Form/Collection: Application for Registration (DEA Form 363) and Application for Registration Renewal (DEA Form 363a).
- 3. Agency form number: DEA Form 363, DEA Form 363a; Applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice.
- 4. Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: State, Local or Tribal Government, Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Practitioners who dispense narcotic drugs to individuals for maintenance or detoxification treatment must register with the DEA under the Narcotic Addict Treatment Act of 1974. Registration is needed for control measures and is used to prevent diversion.

These revisions of the forms will not add any burden to the affected public. The subject forms are being revised to provide the ability to use an Optical Character Reader (OCR) for form processing and to provide for registrants Social Security Number and/or Tax Identification Number. The OCR will enable DEA to increase efficiency and accelerate processing of registrant applications. Social Security Number and/or Tax Identification Number are requested to correctly identify registrants, to expedite application processing, database integration and telephone system upgrades.

1. An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 900 respondents at 1 response per year at 30 minutes per response.

2. An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 450 annual burden hours.

Public comment on this proposed information collection is strongly encouraged.

Dated: July 1, 1997.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Revision of a Currently Approved Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice of information collection under review; Application for Registration (DEA Form 224) and Application for Registration Renewal (DEA Form 224a).

The information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until September 5, 1997.

We are requesting written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the collection of information. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

1. Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper

performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected: and

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to Mr. James M. Sheehan, 202–307–7250, Chief, Registration Unit, Drug Operations Section, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Washington, DC 20537. If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Mr. James M. Sheehan.

Additionally, comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530. Additional comments may be submitted to DOJ via facsimile at 202–514–1590.

Overview of this information collection:

- 1. Type of Information Collection: Revision of a currently approved collection.
- 2. Title of the Form/Collection: Application for Registration (DEA Form 224) and Application for Registration Renewal (DEA Form 224a).
- 3. Agency form number: DEA Form 224, DEA Form 224a; Applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice.

4. Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or households, small businesses or organizations.

All firms and individuals who distribute or dispense controlled substances must register with the DEA under the Controlled Substances Act. Registration is needed for control measures over legal handlers of controlled substances and is used to monitor their activities.

These revisions of the forms will not add any burden to the affected public. The subject forms are being revised to provide the ability to use an Optical Character Reader (OCR) for form processing and to provide for registrants Social Security Number and/or Tax Identification Number. The OCR will enable DEA to increase efficiency and accelerate processing of registrant applications. Social Security Number and/or Tax Identification Number are requested to correctly identify registrants, to expedite application processing, database integration and telephone system upgrades.

1. An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 275,000 respondents at 1 response per year at 12 minutes per

esponse.

2. An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 55,000 annual burden hours.

Public comment on this proposed information collection is strongly encouraged.

Dated: July 1, 1997.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Manufactuer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Registration

By Notice dated February 21, 1997, and published in the **Federal Register** on March 19, 1997, (62 FR 13169), B.I. Chemical, Inc., 2820 N. Normandy Drive, Petersburg, Virginia 23805, made application to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to be registered as a bulk manufacturer of the basic classes of controlled substances listed below:

Drug	Schedule
Methadone (9250)	

No comments or objections have been received. DEA has considered the factors in Title 21, United States Code, Section 823(a) and determined that the registration of B.I. Chemical, Inc. to manufacture the listed controlled substances is consistent with the public

interest at this time. Therefore, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 823 and 28 CFR 0.100 and 0.104, the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, hereby orders that the application submitted by the above firm for registration as a bulk manufacturer of the basic classes of controlled substances listed above is granted.

Dated: June 23, 1997.

John H. King,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Immigration and Naturalization Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Request OMB emergency approval; application for travel document.

The Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service has submitted the following information collection request (ICR) utilizing emergency review procedures, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. OMB approval has been requested by July 31, 1997. If granted, the emergency approval is only valid for 180 days. Comments should be directed to OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Ms. Debra Bond, 202-395-7316, Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503.

During the first 60 days of this same period a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted untill September 5, 1997. Request written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points.

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Application for Travel Document.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form I–131. Adjudications Division, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or Households. This form is used by permanent or conditional residents, refugees or asyles and aliens abroad seeking to apply for a travel document to lawfully reenter the United States or be paroled for humanitarian purposes into the United States.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 335,000 respondents at 55 minutes (.90) hours per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 301,500 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Mr. Richard A. Sloan, 202–616–7600, Director, Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, U.S. Department of Justice, Room 5307, 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: June 30, 1997.

Robert B. Briggs,

Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice.

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