DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0126]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request Entitled Electric Service Territory Compliance Representation

AGENCIES: 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 (9000–0126).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (CMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Electric Service Territory Compliance Representation. The clearance currently expires on April 30, 2001.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and 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.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before March 13, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia Wise, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 208–1168.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat, 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The representation at 52.241–1, Electric Service Territory Compliance Representation, is required when proposed alternatives of electric utility suppliers are being solicited. The representation and legal and factual rationale, if requested by the contracting officer, is necessary to ensure Government compliance with Public Law 100–202.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 200. Responses Per respondent: 2.5. Total annual responses: 500. Hours Per Response: .45. Total Burden Hours: 225.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the proposal from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRS), Room 4035, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501–4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000–0126, Electric Service Territory Compliance Representation, in all correspondence.

Dated: January 9, 2001.

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Acting Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Establishment of the Panel to Review the V–22 Program

ACTION: Notice of establishment.

SUMMARY: The Panel to Review the V—22 Program is being established in consonance with the public interest and in accordance with the provisions of Pub. L. 92–463, the "Federal Advisory Committee Act," Title 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2. Due to the urgent business tasked to this Panel by the Secretary of Defense, this notice is being published less than 15 days before the Panel's establishment.

This Panel will conduct an independent, high-level review of the V–22 program to include safety of the aircraft and recommend any proposed changes or corrective actions, and report the results to the Secretary of Defense.

The Panel will consist of four members with expertise, knowledge, and experience necessary in matters related to the V–22 review.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Grey, OUSD (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), 703–697–0638.

Dated: January 4, 2001.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 01–997 Filed 1–11–01; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Advisory Committee on Military Personnel Testing

ACTION: Notice.

Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Military Personnel Testing is scheduled to be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on February 1, 2001, and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on February 2, 2001. The meeting will be held at the Austin Sheraton Hotel, Austin, Texas. The purpose of the meeting is to review planned changes and progress in developing computerized and paper-and-pencil enlistment tests and renorming of the tests. Persons desiring to make oral presentations or submit written statements for consideration at the Committee meeting must contact Dr. Jane M. Arabian, Assistant Director, Accession Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management Policy), Room 2B271, The Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-4000, telephone (703) 697–9271, no later than January 22, 2001.

Dated: January 5, 2001.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

ACTION: Notice of Change of Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on High Energy Laser Weapon Systems Applications originally planned to meet January 23–24, 2001; however, the meeting has been rescheduled for January 25–26, 2001. The meeting will be held Strategic Analysis Inc., 3601 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22201.

Dated: January 5, 2001.

L.M. Bvnum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 01-998 Filed 1-11-01; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Ability-to-Benefit Tests

AGENCY: Department of Education. **ACTION:** List of approved "Ability to Benefit" tests and passing scores; notice.

SUMMARY: The Secretary updates the list of approved "ability-to-benefit" (ATB) tests to include the Combined English Language Skills Assessment (CELSA) test Forms 1 and 2 published by the Association of Classroom Teacher Testers (ACTT). The Secretary has approved this test and its passing scores under section 484(d) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), and the implementing regulations in 34 CFR Part 668, Subpart J. An institution may use the CELSA test as an approved English as a Second Language (ESL) test to determine if a student who does not have a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent is eligible to receive funds under any title IV, HEA program. (The title IV, HEA programs include the Federal Pell Grant, Federal Family Education Loan, William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan, Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Work-Study, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, and the Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (LEAP) programs.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lorraine Kennedy, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Regional Office Building 3, Room 3045, Washington, DC 20202-5451, Telephone: (202) 708-8242. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 25, 1996, we published a notice in the Federal Register (61 FR 55542-55543) that provided a list of eight "ability-to-benefit" tests that the Secretary approved under section 484(d) of the HEA and the implementing

regulations in 34 CFR Part 668, Subpart J. We also included the approved passing scores for each of the approved tests. We added a ninth approved test, the American College Testing (ACT) Service test, and its passing score, in a Federal Register notice dated October 27, 1998, (63 FR 57540–57541). Finally, in a **Federal Register** notice dated May 5, 1999, (64 FR 24246-24247), we indicated that the nine approved ATB tests could be used for students with disabilities if certain conditions were

We are now adding a new approved test, the Combined English Language Skills Assessment (CELSA) test Form 1 and Form 2, as an approved English as a Second Language (ESL) test under 34 CFR 668.153(a)(2) and (a)(4). The passing score for Form 1 is 90 and the passing score for Form 2 is 90.

The CELSA test can be used to determine the ability-to-benefit of two groups of students whose native language is not English and who are not fluent in English. One group includes students who are enrolled solely in an ESL program. The second group includes students who are enrolled in a postsecondary educational program that is taught in English and has an ESL component where the students are also enrolled in the ESL component.

Please note that the CELSA test cannot be used for the following three groups of students whose native language is not English and who are not fluent in English:

Students who are enrolled in a program that is taught entirely in the students' native language which is not English.

Students who are enrolled in a program that is taught in English without an ESL component.

Students who are enrolled in a program that is taught in English with an ESL component but do not enroll in the ESL component.

Under 34 CFR 668.145(c)(1), when the Secretary approves an ATB test and the passing score on the test, the Secretary publishes the name of the test and the passing score in the Federal Register. Accordingly, the Secretary is publishing this update notice to indicate the approved additional test, CELSA, and its passing score. For the convenience of all interested parties, we are also including the nine previously approved ATB tests and passing scores. These 10 tests and passing scores are:

1. American College Testing (ACT): (English and Math)

Passing Scores: The approved passing scores on this test are as follows: English (14) and Math (15).

Publisher: The test publisher and the address, contact person, telephone, and fax number of the test publisher are: American College Testing (ACT) Placement Assessment Programs, 2201 North Dodge Street, P.O. Box 168, Iowa City, Iowa 52243, Contact: Dr. James Maxey, Telephone: (319) 337–1100, Fax: (319) 337 - 1790.

2. ASSET Program: Basic Skills Tests (Reading, Writing, and Numerical)— Forms B2 and C2.

Passing Scores: The approved passing scores on this test are as follows: Reading (34), Writing (34), and Numerical (33).

Publisher: The test publisher and the address, contact person, telephone, and fax number of the test publisher are: American College Testing (ACT), Placement Assessment Programs 2201 North Dodge Street, P.O. Box 168, Iowa City, Iowa 52243, Contact: Dr. John D. Roth, Telephone: (319) 337-1030, Fax: (319) 337-1790.

3. Career Programs Assessment (CPAT) Basic Skills Subtests (Language Usage, Reading and Numerical)—Forms A, B, and C.

Passing Scores: The approved passing scores on this test are as follows: Language Usage (43), Reading (44), and Numerical (42).

Publisher: The test publisher and the address, contact person, telephone, and fax number of the test publisher are: American College Testing (ACT), Placement Assessment Programs, 2201 North Dodge Street, P.O. Box 168, Iowa City, Iowa 52243, Contact: Dr. John D. Roth, Telephone: (319) 337-1030, Fax: (319) 337 - 1790.

4. Combined English Language Skills Assessment (CELSA), Forms 1 and 2.

Passing Scores: The approved passing scores on this test are as follows: CELSA Form 1 (90) and CELSA Form 2 (90).

Publisher: The test publisher and the address, contact person, telephone, and fax number of the test publisher are: Association of Classroom Teacher Testers (ACTT), 1187 Coast Village Road, PMB 378, Montecito, California 93108-2794, Contact: Pablo Buckelew, Telephone: (805) 569-0734, Fax: (805) 569-0004.

5. COMPASS Subtests: Prealgebra/ Numerical Skills Placement, Reading Placement, and Writing Placement.

Passing Scores: The approved passing scores on this test are as follows: Prealgebra/Numerical (21), Reading (60), and Writing (31).

Publisher: The test publisher and the address, contact person, telephone, and fax number of the test publisher are: American College Testing (ACT), Placement Assessment Programs, 2201 North Dodge Street, P.O. Box 168, Iowa