

take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before December 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dhynnek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Erica Filipek, Census Bureau, Room 2105, FOB 4, Washington, DC 20233-6900, (301) 763-5161 (or via the Internet at erica.mary.filipek@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to request a three year extension of a currently approved collection of the Form C-404, Building Permits Survey. The Census Bureau produces statistics used to monitor activity in the large and dynamic construction industry. Given the importance of this industry, several of the statistical series are key economic indicators. Two such series are (a) Housing Units Authorized by Building Permits and (b) Housing Starts. Both are based on data from samples of permit-issuing places. These statistics help state and local governments and the Federal Government, as well as private industry, to analyze this important sector of the economy.

The Census Bureau uses Form C-404 to collect data to provide estimates of the number and valuation of new residential housing units authorized by building permits. We use the data, a component of the index of leading economic indicators, to estimate the number of housing units started, completed, and sold, if single-family, and to select samples for the Census Bureau's demographic surveys. Policymakers, planners, businessmen/

women, and others use the detailed geographic data collected from state and local officials on new residential construction authorized by building permits to monitor growth and plan for local services and to develop production and marketing plans. The Building Permits Survey is the only source of statistics on residential construction for states and smaller geographic areas. Building permits are public records so the information is not subject to disclosure restrictions.

II. Method of Collection

The Census Bureau collects this information by mail and electronically through files we download or receive on diskettes or via e-mail.

Monthly, we currently collect this information by mail for about 8,170 permit-issuing jurisdictions and electronically for 550 jurisdictions. Annually, we collect this information by mail for about 10,180 jurisdictions. The universe for the survey will be updated in January 2004 from about 18,900 jurisdictions to 19,600 jurisdictions. A new monthly sample will also be introduced. Monthly data for 2004 will be collected for both the old and the new monthly samples. For 2004, we plan to collect monthly data for about 10,600 permit-issuing jurisdictions (at least 560 electronically), and to collect annual data for about 9,000 jurisdictions. The sample overlap will end in January 2005, thereafter, we will collect monthly data for about 8,600 jurisdictions (at least 560 electronically) and annual data for about 11,000 jurisdictions.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0094.

Form Number: C-404.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: State and local governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 19,600.

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 minutes for monthly respondents who report by mail, 3 minutes for monthly respondents who report electronically, and 25 minutes for annual respondents who report by mail.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 24,166 for 2004, 20,999 thereafter.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$323,596.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Section 182.

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, 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: September 26, 2003.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Producing Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration (EDA).

ACTION: To give all interested parties an opportunity to comment.

Petitions have been accepted for filing on the dates indicated from the firms listed below.

LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD AUGUST 20, 2003-SEPTEMBER 26, 2003

Firm name	Address	Date petition accepted	Product
Acushnet Rubber Co., Inc. dba Precix, Inc.	744 Belleville Avenue, New Bedford, MA 02742.	09/26/03	Copier rolls and blades and windshield wiper blades.
Beadles Lumber Company	900 6th Street, N.E., Moultrie, GA 31776	09/08/03	Southern yellow pine lumber.
Bobs Candies, Inc	1315 West Oakridge Drive, Albany, GA 31707.	09/08/03	Candy canes.

LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD AUGUST 20, 2003–SEPTEMBER 26, 2003—
Continued

Firm name	Address	Date petition accepted	Product
Calhoun Bend Mill, Inc	3615 Fourth Street, Jonesville, LA 71343.	09/04/03	Dry flour-based mixes.
Dan River, Inc	P.O. Box 261, Danville, VA 24543	09/11/03	Fabric for home fashions and automotive industries.
Delta Brands, Inc	2204 Century Center Blvd., Irving, TX 75062.	09/04/03	Steel milling machines.
Eagle Stud Mill, Inc	1620 Rogers Street, Unit 7, Missoula, MT 599802.	09/04/03	Coniferous lumber studs.
Fields & Sons, Inc	P.O. Box 25, Kodiak, AK 99615	09/17/03	Salmon.
Henkel, Inc	211 East Church Street, Hammond, LA 70401.	09/04/03	Electrode ovens.
IndTool, Inc	412 Bradley Street, Burlington, NC 27215.	09/05/03	Gear boxes and parts and other speed changers.
Janssen Engineering, Inc	6920 Route 7, North Dover, AR 72837 ..	09/04/03	Camshafts and repair parts for tractors and implements.
National Magnetic Group, Inc	1210 Win Drive, Bethlehem, PA 18017 ..	09/03/03	Soft ferrites and dielectric resonators.
Northcutt Woodworks, L. P	101 South 4th Street, Crockett, TX 75835.	09/17/03	Pine moldings.
Polar Ware Company	2806 North 15th Street, Sheboygan, WI 53082.	08/29/03	Stainless steel kitchen ware.
Scott Powr-Ply Company dba Scott Fly Rods and The Scott Fly Rod Company.	2355 Air Park Way, Montrose, CO 81401.	08/26/03	Fishing rods.
Silverton Victorian Millworks, Inc. dba The Millworks, Inc.	466 S. Sky Lane, Durango, CO 81303 ..	08/26/03	Wood moldings.
Williamson Corporation	70 Dominion Drive, Concord, MA 01742	09/26/03	Non-contact infrared temperature sensors for used in process control systems.

The petitions were submitted pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2341). Consequently, the United States Department of Commerce has initiated separate investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each firm contributed importantly to total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm. Any party having a substantial interest in the proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A request for a hearing must be received by Trade Adjustment Assistance, Room 7315, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than the close of business of the tenth calendar day following the publication of this notice.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

Dated: September 26, 2003.

Brenda A. Johnson,

Acting Director, Planning and Development Assistance Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Format for Petition Requesting Relief Under U.S. Countervailing Duty Law

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Request for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to: Nicole Bankhead, Import Administration, Office of Policy, Room

3713, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; Phone number: (202) 482-8221, and fax number: (202) 501-7952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The International Trade Administration, Import Administration, AD/CVD Enforcement, implements the U.S. antidumping and countervailing duty law. Import Administration investigates allegations of unfair trade practices by foreign governments and producers and, in conjunction with the U.S. International Trade Commission, can impose duties on the product in question to offset the unfair practices. Form ITA-366P—Format for Petition Requesting Relief Under the U.S. Countervailing Duty Law—is designed for U.S. companies or industries that are unfamiliar with the Countervailing law and the petition process. The Form is designed for potential petitioners that believe a foreign competitor is being subsidized unfairly. Since a variety of detailed information is required under the law before initiation of a countervailing duty investigation, the Form is designed to extract such information in the least burdensome manner possible.