

systems.” These systems are used daily in a wide variety of industries to produce concrete (sold by the cubic yard) used in buildings, bridge and highway construction, and “blacktop” or asphalt pavement (sold by the short ton) used for road surfaces. Batching systems are also used in the production of animal food, agricultural seed and many other commodities. These systems (which can operate automatically or manually) often include multiple components such as weighing and measuring devices, which fall under different codes in NIST Handbook 44. When these multiple-component systems are used, it is sometimes difficult to categorize the system as a whole as a scale, a measuring device, or an automatic weighing system. Confusion over what requirements to apply from the various codes sometimes occurs. The definition is intended to clarify that weights and measures officials and users may apply different NIST Handbook 44 codes to the components of a batching system without classifying the device as an “automatic bulk weighing system” because that code includes operational and other requirements that manufacturers may not design a system to meet. See also Items 320–1—A.1. General; 324–1—A.1. General; and 330–1—A.1. General.

*Item 360–5 Electric Vehicle Fueling and Submetering*

The S&T Committee will consider recommending adoption of a draft code for use in electric vehicle charging and submetering for inclusion in NIST Handbook 44. The code was developed by a national working group that continues to further refine the specifications, tolerances, and other technical requirements to ensure accuracy and transparency for drivers of electric vehicles and power resellers. The S&T Committee will also consider proposed changes to the section 5.55. “Timing Devices” in NIST Handbook 44 to address requirements for the timing mechanisms that are likely to be used in some recharging systems to determine additional charges for other services (e.g., parking).

NCWM Laws and Regulations Committee (L & R Committee)

The following items are proposals to amend NIST Handbook 130 or NIST Handbook 133:

**NIST Handbook 130—Section on Uniform Regulation for the Method of Sale of Commodities**

*Item 232–3 Animal Bedding*

Animal Bedding is generally defined as any material, except for baled straw, that is kept, offered or exposed for sale or sold to retail consumers for primary use as a medium for any pet or companion or livestock animal to nest or eliminate waste. The purpose of this proposal is to provide a uniform method of sale for animal bedding that will enhance the ability of consumers to make value comparisons and will ensure fair competition. If adopted, the proposal will require packers to advertise and sell packages of animal bedding on the basis of the expanded volume of the bedding. Most packages of animal bedding are compressed during packaging and the expanded volume is the amount of product that consumers will recover through unwrapping and decompressing the bedding according to the instructions provided by the packer. See also Item 260–3 for proposed Test Procedures for Verifying the Expanded Volume Declaration on Packages of Animal Bedding

*NIST Handbook 133—“Checking the Net Contents of Packaged Goods”*

*Item 260–1 Chitterling Test Procedure*

This proposal will add a test procedure and purge allowance to NIST Handbook 133 so that the drainage equipment and methods used by state and local weights and measures officials are identical to those used by the Food Safety and Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) in packing plants. Currently neither a purge allowance nor test procedure are contained in the handbook so state and local weights and measures inspectors use a modified test procedure developed for frozen seafood and information provided in a USDA response to a consumer inquiry to carry out inspections of these food products. This test procedure will also be used in verifying the amount of purge from beef tripe.

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**Willie E. May,**

*Acting Director.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army**

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**Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Army & Air Force Exchange Service (Exchange), DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Army & Air Force Exchange Service announces a proposed 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 collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 9, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, East Tower, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350–3100.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information. Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at <http://www.regulations.gov> for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to

obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Office of the General Counsel, Compliance Division, Attn: Teresa Schreurs, 3911 South Walton Walker Blvd., Dallas, TX 75236-1598 or call the Exchange Compliance Division at 800-967-6067.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Exchange Application for Employment Files; Exchange Form 1200-038 "Employment Reference Request"; Exchange Form 1200-718 Local National Employment Application-Germany Only"; OMB Control Number: 0702-XXXX.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary to consider individuals who have applied for positions in the Army and Air Force Exchange Service by making determinations of qualifications including medical qualifications, for positions applied for, and to rate and rank applicants applying for the same or similar positions.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 181,162 Hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 72,648.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 15 Minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

Respondents are Exchange applicants for employment.

Dated: January 2, 2015.

**Aaron Siegel,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army**

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**Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Army & Air Force Exchange Service (Exchange), DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Exchange announces a proposed 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 collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Exchange Customer Service; Exchange Form 6150-003, Exchange Form 6800-023 "Army and Air Force Exchange Service (Exchange) Sweepstakes Acceptance Form", Exchange Form 6800-002 "Official Entry for Drawing", Exchange Form 6200-010 "Customer convenience Order Log", Exchange Form 6450-032 "Customer Service Counter Special Order Log", Exchange Form 6550-009

"Customer Daily Sales Register", Exchange Form 6700-001 "Exchange Service—Repair Log", Exchange-Europe Form 6650-704 "Work Order Home Repair Service", Exchange Form 6500-093 "Army & Air Force Exchange Service Anthony Pizza Order Form", Exchange Form 4700-037 "The Cherish Collection Diamond Lifetime Guarantee and Trade-up Certificate", Exchange Form 6200-9 "Customer Order Form", Exchange Form 4150-082 "Customer Special Order Repair Parts", Exchange Form 6800-003 "Customer Service Counter Log", Exchange Military Star Card Application Form; OMB Control Number 0702-XXXX.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary record customer transactions/payment for layaway and special orders; to determine payment status before finalizing transactions; to identify account delinquencies and prepare customer reminder notices; to mail refunds on canceled layaway or special orders; to process purchase refunds; to document receipt from customer of merchandise subsequently returned to vendors for repair or replacement, shipping/delivery information, and initiate follow up actions; to monitor individual customer refunds; to perform market basket analysis; to improve efficiency of marketing system(s); and to help detect and prevent criminal activity, and identify potential abuse of Exchange privileges.

*Affected Public:* Authorized patrons of the Exchange.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 26,667.

*Number of Respondents:* 800,000.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 2 minutes.

*Frequency:* On Occasion.

Authorized customers of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service information, who provide comments, suggestions, complaints, concerns, opinions, observations or other information pertaining to Exchange operations. The Exchange collects information electronically transmitted, or provided by customers via paper forms completed by the customer or by phone, which allows the Exchange to contact the customer for special events, sales, address customer complaints as well as provide information about shopping at the Exchange. The information provides valuable data to the Exchange, which is used to enhance operations and improve efficiencies of the Exchange marketing program, and to generally enrich the customers' experience. If the Exchange does not receive the data, the Exchange efforts to improve the shopping experience would