

September 26, 1997, any remaining section 538 funds will be transferred for use under the section 515 program. Qualified lenders may call the office of the Multi-Family Housing Processing Division of the Rural Housing Service, at 202-720-1604 for a copy of the application package. This is not a toll-free number. Hearing- or speech-impaired persons may access that number by calling toll-free the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

Dated: August 28, 1997.

Jan E. Shadburn,

Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended), the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) invites comments on this information collection for which RUS intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by November 10, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: F. Lamont Heppe, Jr., Director, Program Support and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 1522, Washington, DC 20250-1522. Telephone (202) 720-0736.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: RUS Form 793, Request for Release of Lien and/or Approval of Sale. **OMB Control Number:** 0572-0041.

Type of request: Reinstatement of an information collection.

Abstract: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) makes mortgage loans and loan guarantees to electric and telecommunications systems to provide and improve electric and telecommunications service in rural areas pursuant to the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C., 901 *et seq.*) (RE Act). All current and future capital assets of RUS borrowers are ordinarily mortgaged or pledged to the Federal Government as security for RUS loans. Assets include tangible and intangible utility plant,

non-utility property, construction in progress, and materials, supplies, and equipment normally used in a telecommunications system. The RE Act and the various security instruments, e.g., the RUS mortgage, limit the rights of an RUS borrower to dispose of its capital assets.

The RUS Form 793, Request for Release of Lien and/or Approval of Sale, allows the telecommunications program borrower to seek agency permission to sell some of their assets. The form collects detailed information regarding the proposed sale of a portion of the borrower's systems. RUS telecommunications borrowers fill out the form to request RUS approval in order to sell capital assets.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.84 hours per response.

Respondents: Small business or organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 75.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 213.

Copies of this information collection, and related form and instructions, can be obtained from Dawn Wolfgang, Program Support and Regulatory Analysis, at (202) 720-0812.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether this proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden 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 may be sent to: F. Lamont Heppe, Jr., Director, Program Support and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 1522, 1400 Independence Avenue., SW., Washington, DC 20250-1522. FAX: (202) 720-4120.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 4, 1997.

Adam Golodner,

Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal Integrated Coverage Measurement (ICM) Person Interview and Outmover Tracing Activities

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)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before November 10, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, 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 Magdalena Ramos, Staff Group Leader for ICM Operations, Bureau of the Census, Room 3770, Washington, DC 20233, (301)457-4295.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Bureau of the Census developed the Integrated Coverage Measurement (ICM) approach for measuring coverage of housing units and populations during the decennial census. In the Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal, we are interested in conducting a rehearsal of our ICM approach to measuring the coverage of the census for housing units and people. The Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal will be conducted in an urban site (Sacramento, California), a nonurban site (Columbia, South Carolina, and surrounding area), and one American Indian Reservation (Menominee Reservation, Wisconsin).

The first phase of the ICM consists of the Independent Listing and the Housing Unit Follow-up operations. During the Independent Listing, the Bureau of the Census will obtain a complete housing inventory of all addresses within the Census 2000 Dress Rehearsal sites just before the dress rehearsal commences. The ICM listing will be matched to the census list of

addresses; the unmatched cases will be sent to the field for reconciliation during the Housing Unit Follow-up operation. The resultant address listing will be used in the ICM Person Interview phase. The materials for the independent listing have been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the Bureau of the Census has received approval for the materials. The materials for the Housing Unit Follow-up operation will be submitted shortly to the OMB.

During the second phase of the ICM, the ICM Person Interview, the Bureau of the Census will target ICM sample cases for telephone interviews; these cases will consist of households in ICM areas that returned their census questionnaires and provided their telephone numbers. After the conclusion of the Nonresponse Follow-up operation for a cluster, all remaining ICM sample cases will be interviewed using a person-to-person approach. Telephone interviews may also be used later in the process for hard to enumerate areas or situations.

Intensive probing techniques will be used to reconstruct a roster of the residents of the housing unit. The interviewing instrument will examine all the people mentioned during the interview and determine if they should be enumerated at the housing unit in question according to census residency rules. The interviewer will ask probing questions to determine the status of the units and their occupants on census day, April 4, 1998. For households where the census day residents have moved out, we will attempt to obtain an ICM proxy interview from the current residents or another reliable proxy. We will use the proxy information in the estimates. When combined with our efforts to match responses to the results of the initial count, the interview data will identify persons missed or incorrectly included in the census as well as persons correctly enumerated.

An Outmover Tracing Evaluation will be conducted during the time when the ICM Person Interviews are being completed. For census day residents that have moved (outmovers), we will attempt to obtain their current address and/or telephone number. We will interview the "outmovers" at their new address by telephone or in person. For the telephone interviews, we will use a computer assisted telephone interviewing (CATI) instrument and for the personal visit interviews, a paper questionnaire, Form DT-1340.

For outmover households where we successfully trace and interview a member of the Census day household, the information obtained in this

interview will be used in the evaluation. For households where we are unable to locate the Census day residents or obtain an interview from them, we will use the information from the proxy interview in the evaluation.

For quality assurance, at maximum, a 20 percent random sample of respondents in the ICM sample will be reinterviewed using the CAPI instrument.

After the person interview, person matching for Dual System Estimation (DSE) will be conducted. Unresolved cases will be reconciled in the field during the ICM Person Follow-up interview. The materials to be used in the Person Follow-up interview will be submitted later this year.

II. Method of Collection

Telephone and person-to-person interviews.

III. Data

OMB Number: Not available.

Form Number: CAPI Person Interview (no form number), CAPI Person Quality Assurance Interview (no form number), CATI Outmover Tracing Interview (no form number), and Form DT-1340, ICM Outmover Tracing Questionnaire.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 31,000 housing units.

Estimated Time Per Response: 20 minutes (CAPI Person Interview and CATI/Paper Outmover Tracing Interview) and 10 minutes (CAPI Person QA Interview).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: Total = 12,199 Hours.

Person Interview = 10,333 Hours (31,000×20 minutes).

Person QA Interview = 1,033 Hours (6,200×10 minutes).

Outmover Tracing Evaluation = 833 Hours (2,500×20 minutes).

Estimated Total Annual Cost: There is no cost to respondents except for their time to respond.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13, U.S. Code, Sections 141, 193, and 221.

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 4, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 70-97]

Foreign-Trade Zone 27—Boston, MA; Application for Subzone Status; Massachusetts Heavy Industries, Inc. (Shipbuilding)

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Massachusetts Port Authority, grantee of FTZ 27, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the shipbuilding facility of Massachusetts Heavy Industries, Inc. (MHI), in Quincy, Massachusetts (formerly, General Dynamics-Quincy shipyard, the site of former FTZ Subzone 27B). The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on September 4, 1997.

The MHI shipyard (104 acres, up to 1,000 employees) is located at 115 East Howard Street in the City of Quincy, on the Weymouth Fore River. Currently undergoing extensive renovation, the facility will be used for the construction, repair, and conversion of commercial vessels for domestic and international customers. Foreign components expected to be used at the MHI shipyard (up to 30% of total) include propulsion units, main engines and control systems, profile steel, casting plates, bow thrusters, pumps, tank level and alarm systems, diesel generators, navigation equipment, radio communications, deck machinery, rudder systems, heating/ventilation systems, valves, gauges, boilers, pumps, condensers, propellers and shafts, anchor systems, incinerators, inert gas plants, lifeboats/davits, hydraulic power