

The SMM's priorities would extend to floor members executing trades for proprietary accounts and floor brokers executing customer orders. Therefore, the SMM's priority may preempt the execution of customer orders.

#### *E. Contract Development Fee*

The SMM would receive a contract development fee ("CDF") as an incentive to perform the SMM function. The terms and duration of the CDF would be set forth in the SMM Agreement, and would be based upon the level of customer trading volume in the designated contract. Unless otherwise provided in the SMM Agreement, the SMM would receive \$8,000 per month if monthly customer trading volume was less than 3,500 contracts. Once monthly customer trading volume exceeded 3,500 contracts, the SMM would receive \$8,000 plus a per contract fee for each transaction in excess of 3,500 that involved a customer order.

#### *F. Specialist Floor Brokers*

The proposal would permit the SMM to contract with one or more floor brokers ("Specialist Floor Brokers" or "SFB") to perform all or part of the SMM function. For example, the SMM may contract with the SFB to manage the OB and to perform all of the OBO obligations, including the OB's priority with respect to trading against the OB.

The proposal would give significant latitude to the SMM to contract with an SFB. However, any contract between an SMM and an SFB would be subject to the review and approval of the SRC. The proposal also would provide that the SMM would be principally liable to the Exchange for the execution of all SMM obligations and duties.

## **II. Request for Comments**

The Commission requests comments from interested persons concerning any aspect of NYMEX's proposed SMM program that the commenters believe raise issues under the Act or Commission Regulations. In particular, the Commission requests comments regarding the appropriateness of: (1) Permitting members to place limit orders for their own accounts in the OB; (2) permitting member limit orders to be executed ahead of customer limit orders that are at the same price, but received by the OBO at a later time; (3) granting the SMMs trading priorities, including the priority to trade against the OB; and (4) permitting the SMM's trading priority to preempt the execution of customer orders in the trading ring.

Copies of the proposed new Rule 6.45 and the proposed amendments to Rule

6.43A and related materials are available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581. Copies also may be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat at the above address or by telephoning (202) 418-5100.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments on the proposed SMM program should send such comments, by the specified date, to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581; transmitted by facsimile to (202) 418-5521; or transmitted electronically to secretary@cftc.gov.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Office of the Secretary**

#### **Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness).

**ACTION:** Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) announces the following proposed reinstatement of a 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 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 July 14, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Office of the Under Secretary of

Defense (Personnel and Readiness) (Force Management Policy/DeCA), ATTN: Herman Weaver, 1300 E Avenue, Ft. Lee, Virginia 23801-1800.

#### **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 above address or call at (804) 734-8322.

*Title, Associated Form, and OMB Control Number:* Commissary Customer Service Survey, DeCA Form 60-28, 0704-0380.

*Needs and uses:* This information collection requirement is necessary to the Defense Commissary Agency for the purpose of measuring customer service, which is our number one Strategic and Performance goal. This management tool uses a survey instrument designed to extract objective, subjective, and demographic information from our customers so we can better serve their needs. The results will be reported and distributed to the regional headquarters and commissaries to use the past and present trends for the purpose of future improvement. Also, the results will directly affect our policies and quality initiatives for an efficient and cost-effective commissary system.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1,200 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 18,000.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden per Response:* 4 minutes.

*Frequency:* Annually.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Summary of Information Collection**

The primary purpose of this information collection is to determine how well each commissary is satisfying the customer. This will serve as a baseline measure for future trends and provide defense officials vital information to make cost-effective management decisions. The information received will be of benefit to return patrons, as well as inspire new customers, which should increase our surcharge accounts to provide new commissary construction and renovations. Our primary goal is to preserve the military's most valued benefit through enhanced customer satisfaction.

Each commissary, both stateside and overseas, will receive the Commissary Customer Service Survey. Each commissary officer will select an administrator who will distribute the surveys randomly three times each day (one hour after store opens, mid-day,

and two hours before closing) for ten consecutive days. The following subject areas will be covered in the survey: customer relations, savings, cleanliness, scheduling, atmosphere, quality of meat and produce, managers' and employees' knowledge and helpfulness, and the customer's most valued benefit of commissaries.

Dated: May 11, 1998.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

*Title and OMB Number:* Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), Subcontracting Policies and Procedures—DFARS Part 244; OMB Number 0704-0253.

*Type of Request:* Extension.

*Number of Respondents:* 90.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 90.

*Average Burden per Response:* 16 hours.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1,400.

*Needs and Uses:* The collection of this information is considered by the administrative contracting officer before making a decision on granting, withholding, or withdrawing purchasing system approval at the conclusion of a contractor purchasing system review. Withdrawal of purchasing system approval would necessitate Government consent to individual subcontracts in accordance with section 44.102 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation. The information collection includes the requirements of DFARS 244.305-70, which requires the administrative contracting officer, at the completion of the in-plant portion of the contractor purchasing system review, to request the contractor to submit within 15 days, its plan for correcting deficiencies or making improvements to its purchasing system.

*Affected Public:* Business or Other For-Profit; Not-For-Profit Institutions.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*OMB Desk Officer:* Mr. Peter N. Weiss.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Weiss at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

*DOD Clearance Officer:* Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: May 11, 1998.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

#### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0077]

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Quality Assurance Requirements

**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.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Quality Assurance Requirements. A request for public comments was published at 63 FR 11424, March 9, 1998. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before June 15, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Linda Klein, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3775.

**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. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0077, Quality Assurance Requirements, in all correspondence.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Purpose

Supplies and services acquired under Government contracts must conform to the contract's quality and quantity requirements. FAR Part 46 prescribes inspection, acceptance, warranty, and other measures associated with quality requirements. Standard clauses related to inspection (a) require the contractor to provide and maintain an inspection system that is acceptable to the Government; (b) give the Government the right to make inspections and test while work is in process; and (c) require the contractor to keep complete, and make available to the Government, records of its inspection work.

##### B. Annual Reporting Burden

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .25 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows:

Respondents, 950; responses per respondent, 1; total annual responses, 950; preparation hours per response, .25; and total response burden hours, 237.5 (238).

##### C. Annual Recordkeeping Burden

The annual recordkeeping burden is estimated as follows: Recordkeepers, 58,060; hours per recordkeeper, .68; and total recordkeeping burden hours, 39,481. The total annual burden is 238 + 39,481 = 39,719.

##### Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (VRS), Room 4035, 1800 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0077, Quality Assurance Requirements, in all correspondence.