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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Willamette Provincial Interagency Executive Committee (PIEC), Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Willamette PIEC Advisory Committee will meet at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 13, 1998, at the Sweet Home Ranger District Office; 3225 Highway 20; Sweet Home, Oregon 97836; phone: 541/367–5168.

The Advisory Committee meeting will be a field trip on the Willamette National Forest (NF) and the Salem District of the BLM. The trip will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will return to Sweet Home by 4:00 p.m. The focus of the field trip is adaptive management. Tentative stops include young stand studies on BLM lands and commercial thinnings in Late Successional Reserves on the Willamette NF.

The public is welcome to attend, but will have to provide their own transportation to the field sites. Maps and an itinerary of the travel route and stops will be available at the beginning of the trip. There will not be a specific public forum; however, public comments and participation will be provided for during the day. Written comments may be submitted prior to the meeting by sending them to Designated Federal Official Neal Forrester at the address given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For more information regarding this meeting and field trip, contact Designated Federal Official Neal Forrester, Willamette National Forest, 211 East Seventh Avenue; Eugene, Oregon 97401; (541) 465–6924.

Dated: July 22, 1998.

Darrel L. Kenops,

Williamette Forest Supervisor. [FR Doc. 98–20083 Filed 7–27–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–11–M

COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Addition

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed Addition to Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received a proposal to add to the Procurement List a commodity to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: August 27, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202–4302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603–7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a) (2) and 41 CFR 51–2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed action.

If the Committee approves the proposed addition, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to procure the commodity listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the commodity to the Government.

- 2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodity to the Government.
- 3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46–48c) in connection with the commodity proposed for addition to the Procurement List. Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

The following commodity has been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agency listed: Compact Disc, Recordable, (Requirements for U.S. Geological Survey, Denver, Colorado), NPA: North Central Sight Services, Willamsport, Pennsylvania.

Beverly L. Milkman,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DOC) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 USC Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). *Title:* Alaska Region Logbook Family of Forms.

Agency Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648–0213.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 46,610 hours.

Number of Respondents: 1,336 (with multiple responses).

Avg. Hours Per Response: Ranges between 3 and 35 minutes depending on the requirement.

Needs and Uses: Under the authority of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act, Regional Fishery Management Councils develop fishery management plans (FMPs) to conserve and manage marine resources. Participants in the groundfish fisheries

of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska must submit information about their fishing or processing activities. The information is placed in a database used for monitoring and management of fisheries as well as for the enforcement of fisheries regulations.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations, individuals. Frequency: Weekly, monthly, other,

recordkeeping.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory. OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395–3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482–3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: July 22, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Annual Capital Expenditures Survey

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, Pub. L. 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before September 28,

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 Charles Funk, Bureau of the Census, Room 1285, FB #3, Washington, DC 20233, Telephone (301) 457–3324.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans the continuing information collection for the 1998 Annual Capital Expenditures Survey (ACES). The annual survey collects data on fixed assets and depreciation, sales and receipts, and capital expenditures for new and used structures and equipment. The ACES is the sole source of detailed comprehensive statistics on actual business spending by domestic, private, nonfarm businesses operating in the United States.

The major change from the previous ACES is the collection of detailed capital expenditures by type of structure and type of equipment for the 1998 ACES from employer companies. Beginning with the 1998 ACES, type of structures and type of equipment data are collected together once every five years. These data are critical to evaluate the comprehensiveness of capital expenditures statistics collected in years for which type of structures and equipment detail are not collected. The detailed structures data will provide a 5year benchmark for estimates of new construction put in place. The detailed equipment data will provide a periodic measure of expenditures by type of equipment and assist in evaluating estimates of Producer's Durable Equipment in nonresidential fixed investment. Negotiations are currently taking place with data users on the extent of detailed type of structures and type of equipment data to be collected.

Actual business spending will be collected from employer and nonemployer businesses. Business spending data are used to evaluate the quality of estimates of gross domestic product, develop monetary policy, analyze business asset depreciation, and improve estimates of capital stock for productivity analysis. Industry analysts use these data for market analysis, economic forecasting, identifying business opportunities, product development, and business planning.

II. Method of Collection

The Census Bureau will use mail out/mail back survey forms to collect data. Companies will be asked to respond to the survey within 30 days of the initial mailing. Respondent companies are permitted to respond via facsimile machine using our toll-free number. Letters and/or telephone calls encouraging participation will be

directed to respondents that have not responded by the designated time.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607–0782.
Form Number: ACE-1 (Sent to employer companies reporting payroll to the Internal Revenue Service) and ACE-2 (Sent to nonemployer

businesses).

Type of Review: Regular Review. Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations, non-profit institutions, small businesses or organizations, and self-employed individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 46,000 (32,000 employer companies, and 14,000 nonemployer businesses).

Estimated Time Per Response: The average for all respondents is 3.815 hours. For companies completing form ACE-1, the range is 2 to 28 hours, averaging 5 hours. For companies completing form ACE-2, the range is less than 1 hour to 2 hours, averaging 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: The total annual burden for fiscal year 1999 is estimated to be 175,490 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The total cost to all respondents is estimated to be \$2,323,576. This cost is calculated by multiplying the annual burden hours (175,490) by the Bureau of Labor Statistics' 1996 estimate (\$523 for a 39.5 hour work week) for a private industry entry level accountant.

Respondents' Obligation: Mandatory. Legal Authority: Title 13 United States Code, Sections 182, 224, and 225.

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.