

Prohibition); and provisions in the annual Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Acts, concerning Use of American Resources, Impact on Jobs in the United States and Commerce and Trade (see, e.g., §§ 546, 538 and 513 respectively of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Appropriations Act, 1998, Public Law 105-118).

15. *Audit Requirements:* The DOC Office of Inspector General has authority under the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, to conduct an audit of any DOC award at any time.

16. *Payments.* As required by the Debt Collections Improvement Act of 1996, all Federal payments to award recipients pursuant to this announcement will be made by electronic funds transfer.

17. The collection of information is approved by the Office of Management and Budget, OMB Control Number 0625-0225. Public reporting for this collection of information is estimated to be three hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. All responses to this collection of information are voluntary, and will be protected from disclosure to the extent allowed under the Freedom of Information Act. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to nor shall a person be subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act unless that collection of information displays a current valid OMB Control Number. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Reports Clearance Officer, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, Room 4001, 14th and Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Special American Business Internship Training, International Trade Administration, at (202)482-0073. This is not a toll free-number.

Dated: November 3, 1998.

Liesel C. Duhon,

Director, SABIT Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Title: Coastal Services Center (CSC): Coastal Resource Management Opportunities, Capabilities, and Needs.
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 January 5, 1999.

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 Nina Petrovich, South Carolina's Sea Grant Coastal Program Coordinator, NOAA Coastal Services Center, 2234 South Hobson Avenue, Charleston SC 29405. Phone (843) 740-1203, Email: npetrovich@csc.noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Three years ago, the Coastal Services Center (CSC) surveyed the coastal resource management community to assess its information management needs and capabilities. CSC has used the results to deliver products in formats that the greatest proportion of the community can use. CSC proposes to repeat this survey every three years (the next one to be conducted in 1999) to assess changes in the community's management capabilities and needs.

The overall objectives of the survey are: to receive feedback from the coastal management community on the relevance, importance, and need of specific proposed products; to give coastal resource managers the opportunity to describe their priority problems and management needs; and to obtain information on the hardware and software platforms and capabilities of the coastal information management

community. Results will be used to evaluate the effectiveness and most useful format for delivery of CSC products and services and to set priorities for future programming.

The survey will be conducted in two parts to differentiate between resource management needs and information management needs. Both sections will be sent to the coastal manager, who would be asked to forward the second section to the data/information manager.

(1) Section one will contain general questions about information management problems and opportunities, and about communication pathways and management services.

(2) Section two will ask questions about information management for coastal problems, data/information exchange, and computer-based tools and techniques.

The survey is targeted for release to the coastal community in February 1999, and results will be compiled during the summer months of that year.

II. Method of Collection

The survey will be mailed to clients with an option to respond electronically or by mail.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0308.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; state, local, or tribal government (coastal managers from the following programs or agencies: Coastal Zone Management Programs, National Estuarine Research Reserve Sites, National Marine Sanctuaries, Sea Grant Institutions, Natural Resource Management Agencies, and National Estuary Programs).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 240.

Estimated Time Per Response: 40 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 160.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0 (no capital expenditures required).

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: October 30, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

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

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Bangladesh

November 3, 1998.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs establishing limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.ustreas.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The import restraint limits for textile products, produced or manufactured in Bangladesh and exported during the period January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999 are based on the limits notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to establish the limits for the 1999 period. The 1999 limits for certain categories have been reduced for carryforward applied to the 1998 limits.

Effective on January 1, 1999, a visa will no longer be required for products integrated in the second stage of the integration of textiles and clothing into GATT 1994 from WTO member countries (see 63 FR 53881, published on October 7, 1998). A visa will continue to be required for non integrated products. For quota purposes only, products remaining in categories partially integrated will continue to be designated by the designator "pt."

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997). Information regarding the 1999 CORRELATION will be published in the **Federal Register** at a later date.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

November 3, 1998.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Pursuant to Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), you are directed to prohibit, effective on January 1, 1999, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Bangladesh and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1999 and extending through December 31, 1999, in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
237	505,495 dozen.
331	1,354,428 dozen pairs.
334	154,215 dozen.
335	276,895 dozen.
336/636	495,508 dozen.
338/339	1,435,433 dozen.
340/640	3,244,886 dozen.
341	2,688,094 dozen.
342/642	479,015 dozen.
347/348	2,419,283 dozen.
351/651	738,646 dozen.

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
352/652	11,019,845 dozen.
363	27,532,454 numbers.
369-S ¹	1,845,520 kilograms.
634	539,527 dozen.
635	349,551 dozen.
638/639	1,820,392 dozen.
641	1,171,266 dozen.
645/646	427,498 dozen.
647/648	1,521,563 dozen.
847	854,436 dozen.

¹Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment pursuant to the provisions of the ATC and administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body.

Products in the above categories exported during 1998 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated November 19, 1997) to the extent of any unfilled balances. In the event the limits established for that period have been exhausted by previous entries, such products shall be charged to the limits set forth in this directive.

Effective on January 1, 1999, a visa will no longer be required for products integrated in the second stage of the integration of textiles and clothing into GATT 1994 from WTO member countries (see directive dated September 30, 1998). A visa will continue to be required for non-integrated products. For quota purposes only, products remaining in categories partially integrated will continue to be designated by the designator "pt."

In carrying out the above directions, the Commissioner of Customs should construe entry into the United States for consumption to include entry for consumption into the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Bulgaria

November 3, 1998.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs establishing limits.