

including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. These comments will help OIRA determine whether to approve the ICR referred to in this Notice.

We encourage you to respond to this request by submitting comments and related materials. Comments to Coast Guard or OIRA must contain the OMB Control Number of the ICR. They must also contain the docket number of this request, [USCG-2016-0598], and must be received by November 20, 2017.

Submitting Comments

We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. If your material cannot be submitted using <http://www.regulations.gov>, contact the person in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document for alternate instructions. Documents mentioned in this notice, and all public comments, are in our online docket at <http://www.regulations.gov> and can be viewed by following that Web site's instructions. Additionally, if you go to the online docket and sign up for email alerts, you will be notified when comments are posted.

We accept anonymous comments. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and the docket, you may review a Privacy Act notice regarding the Federal Docket Management System in the March 24, 2005, issue of the **Federal Register** (70 FR 15086).

OIRA posts its decisions on ICRs online at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> after the comment period for each ICR. An OMB Notice of Action on each ICR will become available via a hyperlink in the OMB Control Number: 1625-0119.

Previous Request for Comments

This request provides a 30-day comment period required by OIRA. The Coast Guard has published the 60-day notice (81 FR 95154, December 27, 2016) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That Notice elicited no comments.

Accordingly, no changes have been made to the Collections.

Information Collection Request

Title: Coast Guard Exchange System Scholarship Application.

OMB Control Number: 1625-0119.

Summary: This information collected on this form allows the Coast Guard Exchange System Scholarship Program Committee to evaluate and rank scholarship applications in order to award the annual scholarships.

Need: Commandant Instruction, COMDTINST 1780.1 (series), provides policy and procedure for the award of annual scholarships from the Coast Guard Exchange System to dependents of Coast Guard members and employees. The information collected by this form allows for the awarding of scholarships based upon the criteria and procedures outlined in the Instruction under the auspices of 5 U.S.C. 301.

Forms: CG-5687, Coast Guard Exchange System Scholarship Program Application.

Respondents: Coast Guard dependents.

Frequency: Annually.

Hour Burden Estimate: The estimated annual burden remains 120 hours per year.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: October 12, 2017.

James D. Roppel,

U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Chief, Office of Information Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Accreditation and Approval of AmSpec LLC (Plainfield, IL) as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of accreditation and approval of AmSpec LLC (Plainfield, IL), as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that AmSpec LLC (Plainfield, IL), has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of April 26, 2017.

DATES: AmSpec LLC (Plainfield, IL) was approved and accredited as a commercial gauger and laboratory as of April 26, 2017. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for April 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christopher J. Mocella, Laboratories and Scientific Services Directorate, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, that AmSpec LLC, 12351 South Industrial Drive East, Plainfield, IL 60585, has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. AmSpec LLC is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

| API chapters | Title |
|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Vocabulary. |
| 3 | Tank Gauging |
| 7 | Temperature Determination. |
| 8 | Sampling. |
| 9 | Density Determinations. |
| 12 | Calculations. |
| 17 | Maritime Measurement. |

AmSpec LLC is accredited for the following laboratory analysis procedures and methods for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laboratory Methods (CBPL) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):

| CBPL No. | ASTM | Title |
|-------------|-------|--|
| 27-01 | D287 | Standard Test Method for API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Petroleum Products (Hydrometer Method) |
| 27-02 | D1298 | Standard Test Method for Density, Relative Density (Specific Gravity), or API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Liquid Petroleum Products by Hydrometer Method. |
| 27-03 | D4006 | Standard Test Method for Water in Crude Oil by Distillation |
| 27-04 | D95 | Standard Test Method for Water in Petroleum Products and Bituminous Materials by Distillation. |
| 27-05 | D4928 | Standard Test Method for Water in Crude Oils by Coulometric Karl Fischer Titration. |
| 27-06 | D473 | Standard Test Method for Sediment in Crude Oils and Fuel Oils by the Extraction Method. |
| 27-08 | D86 | Standard Test Method for Distillation of Petroleum Products. |

| CBPL No. | ASTM | Title |
|-------------|-------|---|
| 27-11 | D445 | Standard Test Method for Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque Liquids. |
| 27-13 | D4294 | Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum and Petroleum Products by Energy-Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry. |
| 27-46 | D5002 | Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Crude Oils by Digital Density Analyzer. |
| 27-48 | D4052 | Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Liquids by Digital Density Meter. |
| 27-50 | D93 | Standard Test Methods for Flash-Point by Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Tester.. |
| 27-54 | D1796 | Standard Test Method for Water and Sediment in Fuel Oils by the Centrifuge Method. |
| 27-58 | D5191 | Standard Test Method For Vapor Pressure of Petroleum Products (Mini Method). |

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to CBPGaugersLabs@cbp.dhs.gov. Please reference the Web site listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories. <http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific-commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>.

Dated: October 11, 2017.

Ira S. Reese,

Executive Director, Laboratories and Scientific Services Directorate.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Number 1076-0160]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Verification of Indian Preference for Employment in BIA and IHS

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection;
request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is proposing to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 18, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the information collection request (ICR) by mail to Ms. Laurel Iron Cloud, Chief,

Division of Tribal Government Services, Office of Indian Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street NW., Mail Stop 4513 MIB, Washington, DC 20240; facsimile: (202) 208-5113; email: laurel.ironcloud@bia.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1076-0160 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Ms. Laurel Iron Cloud, telephone (202) 513-7641.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the BIA (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the BIA enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the BIA minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying

information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Abstract: The BIA is seeking renewal of the approval for the information collection conducted under 25 U.S.C. 43, 36 Stat. 472, *inter alia*, and implementing regulations, at 25 CFR part 5, regarding verification of Indian preference for employment. The purpose of Indian preference is to encourage qualified Indian persons to seek employment with the BIA and Indian Health Service (IHS) by offering preferential treatment to qualified candidates of Indian heritage. BIA collects the information to ensure compliance with Indian preference hiring requirements. The information collection relates only to individuals applying for employment with the BIA and IHS. The tribe's involvement is limited to verifying membership information submitted by the applicant. The collection of information allows certain persons who are of Indian descent to receive preference when appointments are made to vacancies in positions with the BIA and IHS as well as in any unit that has been transferred intact from the BIA to a Bureau or office within the Department of the Interior or the Department of Health and Human Services and that continues to perform functions formerly performed as part of the BIA and IHS. You are eligible for preference if (a) you are a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe; (b) you are a descendent of a member and you were residing within the present boundaries of any Indian reservation on June 1, 1934; (c) you are an Alaska native; or (d) you possess one-half degree Indian blood derived from tribes that are indigenous to the United States.

Title of Collection: Verification of Indian Preference for Employment in BIA and IHS.

OMB Control Number: 1076-0160.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Qualified Indian persons who are seeking preference in employment with the BIA and IHS.