

and the firm's estimated cost of performing the work requirements. An application must receive at least 70% of the points assigned to each of the evaluation criteria to be considered programmatically acceptable and responsive. Those applications determined to be acceptable and responsive will then be evaluated by the Director of MBDA. Final award selections shall be based on the number of points received, the demonstrated responsibility of the applicant, and the determination of those most likely to further the MBDA program. Negative audit findings and recommendations and unsatisfactory performance under prior Federal awards may result in an application not being considered for award. The applicant with the highest point score will not necessarily receive the award.

The Capital Development Center operator shall be required to contribute at least 15% of the total project cost through non-Federal contributions. To assist in this effort, the operator may charge client fees for management and technical assistance (M&TA) rendered. Any client fees charged for services rendered under this award must be charged at rates determined under an established fee policy approved by the Department of Commerce (DOC).

If an application is selected for funding, DOC has no obligation to provide any additional future funding in connection with that award. Renewal of an award to increase funding or extend the period of performance is at the total discretion of DOC. Awards under this program shall be subject to all Federal laws, Federal and Departmental regulations, policies and procedures applicable to Federal assistance awards.

Quarterly reviews culminating in year-end evaluations will be conducted to determine if funding for the project should continue. Continued funding will be at the total discretion of MBDA based on such factors as the operator's performance, the availability of funds and Agency priorities. The anticipated processing time for this award is 90 days.

**Pre-Award Costs**—Applicants are hereby notified that if they incur any costs prior to an award being made, they do so solely at their own risk of not being reimbursed by the Government. Notwithstanding any verbal assurance that an applicant may have received, there is no obligation on the part of the Department of Commerce to cover pre-award costs.

**Outstanding Accounts Receivable**—No award of Federal funds shall be made to an applicant who has an outstanding delinquent Federal debt

until either the delinquent account is paid in full, or a repayment schedule is established and at least one payment is received, or other arrangements satisfactory to the Department of Commerce are made.

**Name Check Policy**—All non-profit and for-profit applicants are subject to a name check review process. Name checks are intended to reveal whether any key individuals associated with the applicant have been convicted or are presently facing criminal charges such as fraud, theft, perjury or other matters which significantly reflect on the applicant's management, honesty or financial integrity.

**Award Termination**—The Departmental Grants Officer may terminate any grant/cooperative agreement in whole or in part at any time before the date of completion whenever it is determined that the award recipient has failed to comply with the conditions of the grant/cooperative agreement. Examples of some of the conditions which can cause termination are failure to meet cost-sharing requirements; unsatisfactory performance of the MBDC work requirements; and reporting inaccurate or inflated claims of client assistance. Such inaccurate or inflated claims may be deemed illegal and punishable by law.

**False Statements**—A false statement on an application for Federal financial assistance is grounds for denial or termination of funds, and grounds for possible punishment by a fine or imprisonment as provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

**Primary Applicant Certifications**—All primary applicants must submit a completed Form CD-511, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying."

**Non-Procurement Debarment and Suspension**—Prospective participants (as defined at 15 CFR, Part 26, Section 26.105) are subject to 15 CFR, Part 26, "Non-Procurement Debarment and Suspension" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies.

**Drug-Free Workplace**—Grantees (as defined at 15 CFR, Part 26, Section 26.605) are subject to 15 CFR, Part 26, Subpart F, "Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies.

**Anti-Lobbying**—Persons (as defined at 15 CFR, Part 28, Section 28.105) are subject to the lobbying provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1352, "Limitation on use of

appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," and the lobbying section of the certification form prescribed above applies to applications/bids for grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts for more than \$100,000, and loans and loan guarantees for more than \$150,000 or the single family maximum mortgage limit for affected programs, whichever is greater.

**Anti-Lobbying Disclosures**—Any applicant that has paid or will pay for lobbying using any funds must submit an SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," as required under 15 CFR, Part 28, Appendix B.

**Lower Tier Certifications**—Recipients shall require applications/bidders for subgrants, contracts, subcontracts, or other lower tier covered transactions at any tier under the award to submit, if applicable, a completed Form CD-512, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions and Lobbying" and disclosure form, SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities." Form CD-512 is intended for the use of recipients and should not be transmitted to DOC. SF-LLL submitted by any tier recipient and should not be transmitted to DOC in accordance with the instructions contained in the award document.

**Buy American-Made Equipment or Products**—Applicants are hereby notified that they are encouraged, to the extent feasible, to purchase American-made equipment and products with funding provided under this program in accordance with Congressional intent as set forth in the resolution contained in Public Law 103-121, Sections 606 (a) and (b).

Dated: July 10, 1996.

Frances B. Douglas,

*Alternate, Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
Minority Business Development Agency.*

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## National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

### Notice of Public Hearings in Texas on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement on the Proposed Taxes Coastal Management Program

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public hearings.

**SUMMARY:** The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) hereby gives notice that it will hold two

public hearings in Texas on the Texas Coastal Management Program/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (P/DEIS). The P/DEIS has been prepared in conjunction with NOAA's proposed approval of the Texas Coastal Management Program (TCMP, or program) under the provisions of Section 306 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1455. The P/DEIS was filed with EPA on June 13, 1996 and the notice of availability for the DEIS was published in the Federal Register on June 21, 1996. The public comment period on the P/DEIS ends August 5, 1996. Notice of these hearings was provided to all agencies, organizations and individuals receiving copies of the P/DEIS.

Pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended, NOAA's Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (NOAA/OCRM), in coordination with the Texas Coastal Coordination Council will hold the two public hearings at the following locations in Texas:

Wednesday, July 31, 1996—7:00 p.m.  
Corpus Christi City Hall, Council Chambers, 1201 Leopard, Corpus Christi, Texas

Thursday, August 1, 1996—7:00 p.m.  
Texas A&M University at Galveston, University Auditorium, Room CLB-100, 200 Seawolf Parkway, Galveston, Texas.

The purpose of the hearings is to receive comments on NOAA's preliminary determination to approve the Texas Coastal Management Program pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act as reflected in the P/DEIS.

The proposed Federal approval of the program would make Texas eligible for program administration and enhancement awards and require Federal actions to be consistent with the enforceable policies of the State's management program (16 U.S.C. 1455, 1456). The alternatives to approval include delaying approval of the program, or denying approval which, in this case, is the no-action alternative.

Individuals or organizations wishing to submit written comments on the range of alternatives, the underlying issues for decision, or other issues should do so by August 5, 1996. Requests for the above described documents and all comments should be made to:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Ocean Service, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, Coastal Programs Division, Gulf/Caribbean

Region, 1305 East-West Highway (N/ORM3), Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, Attention: Joe Uravitch.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bill O'Beirne at tel. 301/713-3109 x160; fax (301) 713-4367; internet [bobeirnecoasts.nos.noaa.gov] or, Janet Fatheree of the Texas General Land Office at tel. 512/463-5385; fax 512/475-0680, or internet [jfatheer@glo.state.tx.us].

(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog 11.419 Coastal Zone Management Program Administration)

Dated July 9, 1996.

David L. Evans,

*Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

#### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0103]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request Entitled Procurement Integrity

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0103)

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Procurement Integrity. This OMB clearance currently expires on October 31, 1996.

**DATES:** Comment Due Date: September 16, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of the collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, or obtaining a copy of the justification, should be submitted to: General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 18th & F Streets, NW, Room 4037, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0103, Procurement Integrity, in all correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peter O'Such, Office of Federal Acquisition Policy, GSA (202) 501-1759.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Purpose

Public Law 100-679, the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act Amendments of 1988, as amended by section 814 of Public Law 101-189, requires that contractors certify, prior to execution of each contract, modification or extension in excess of \$10,000 with respect to conduct prohibited by the Act.

The information obtained in the certification will be used by the contracting officer to ensure that prohibited conduct specified in the Act is identified and in determining the responsibility of the firm for contract award.

##### B. Annual Reporting Burden

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes 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, 20,000; responses per respondent, 20; total annual responses, 400,000; preparation hours per response, 5 minutes; and total response burden hours, 43,333.

##### C. Annual Recordkeeping Burden

The annual recordkeeping burden is estimated as follows: Recordkeepers, 20,000; hours per recordkeeper, 30 minutes; and total recordkeeping burden hours, 10,000.

Dated: July 9, 1996.

Sharon A. Kiser,

*FAR Secretariat.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL95-33-000]

#### Louisiana Public Service Commission v. Entergy Services, Inc.; Notice of Filing

July 2, 1996.

Take notice that on May 9, 1995, the Louisiana Public Service Commission filed an amended complaint under