

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**GENERAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION****NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND
SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[FAR Case 95-011]

**Submission for OMB Review Entitled
Subcontract Consent**

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

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding a new collection requirement.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat plans to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve a new information collection requirement concerning Subcontract Consent (FAR Case 95-011).

DATES: *Comment Due Date:* June 20, 1997.

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 4037, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite FAR case 95-011, Subcontract Consent, in all correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Linda Klein, Office of Federal Acquisition Policy, GSA (202) 501-3775.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**A. Purpose**

The objective of consent to subcontract, as discussed in FAR Part 44, is to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness with which the contractor spends Government funds, and complies with Government policy when subcontracting. The consent package provides the administrative contracting officer a basis for granting, or withholding consent to subcontract. The rule reduces the burden on contractors by placing greater reliance on purchasing system approvals, and by reducing the number of subcontract

actions under which they must submit consent packages.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average *2 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:* 4,252; *responses per respondent:* 3.61; *total annual responses:* 15,344; *preparation hours per response:* .87; and *total response burden hours:* 13,384.

Obtaining Copies of Justifications

Requester may obtain copies of justifications from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), Room 4037, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite FAR case 95-011, Subcontract Consent, all correspondence.

Dated: April 15, 1997.

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FAR Secretariat.

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