

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE****Forest Service****Southwest Oregon Provincial Interagency Executive Committee (PIEC), Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Southwest Oregon PIEC Advisory Committee will meet on July 15 and 16 at the Coos Bay Bureau of Land Management Office at 1300 Airport Lane, North Bend, Oregon. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 4:30 p.m. The meeting will be primarily a field tour. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Marbled Murrelet habitat; (2) Province monitoring; (3) Update on Rogue and Umpqua Basin Assessments; (4) Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management local issues; and (5) Local watershed council field tour. All Province Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens need to contact Chuck Anderson ahead of time for this field trip.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Direct questions regarding this meeting to Chuck Anderson, Province Advisory Committee staff, USDA, Forest Service, Rogue River National Forest, 333 W. 8th Street, Medford, Oregon 97501, phone 541-858-2322.

Dated: June 23, 1997.

**James T. Gladen,**

*Forest Supervisor, Designated Federal Official.*

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**ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD****Sunshine Act Meeting**

**DATE:** July 9-10, 1997.

**PLACE:** ARRB, 600 E Street, NW, Washington, DC.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

1. Review and Accept Minutes of Closed Meeting
2. Review of Assassination Records
3. Other Business

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Eileen Sullivan, Assistant Press and Public Affairs Officer, 600 E Street, NW, Second Floor, Washington, DC 20530.

Telephone: (202) 724-0088; Fax: (202) 724-0457.

**David G. Marwell,**

*Executive Director.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Bureau of the Census****Annual Commodity Survey Test**

**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 2, 1997.

**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 Judy Dodds, Assistant Chief for Census and Related Programs, Bureau of the Census, Room 2102, FB-4, Washington, DC 20233, Telephone (301) 457-4587.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Abstract**

The proposed information collection is a test of an alternate method of collecting manufacturers' product shipments data. Currently, we collect product class shipments from the establishments in the Annual Survey of Manufactures (ASM) and product shipments in the Census of Manufactures every five years. We also collect product shipments for various products from a combination of companies and establishments in the Current Industrial Reports (CIR) series. The data from the CIR, while quite detailed, do not cover all manufactured products. The data from the ASM, while comprehensive, does not provide sufficient detail for some data users.

The Census Bureau would like to design a survey that would satisfy the

need for both comprehensive and more detailed product data. The survey would collect detailed product shipments data from a sample of all manufacturing companies. The survey would cover all manufacturers' products at greater detail than the current ASM but less detail that is available in the existing CIR. If it is possible to successfully design such a survey, we could reduce the size of the ASM and eliminate much of the existing CIR program and divert those resources to the new survey.

Before we give additional consideration to implementation, we are planning to test the concept. We plan to test the proposed survey using the chemicals industry (SIC major group 28) and the furniture industry (SIC major group 25). These industries were chosen because they contain a number of the difficult definitional and collection issues that we identified in our research. We plan to select a sample of approximately 2,900 companies and ask them to report their company level product shipments for data year 1997. We have drafted questionnaires and developed reporting instructions. We plan to compare the results of this test collection to data from the CIR program and the 1997 Census of Manufactures. Those comparisons and the results of response follow-up to the test survey should help us determine if this type of survey is feasible and likely to produce the results our data users need.

**II. Method of Collection**

We plan a mail out/mail back survey of approximately 2,900 companies. We plan to use three questionnaires so that the questionnaire can be somewhat "tailored" to the type of company. We will imprint those products that are most likely to be appropriate to the company, based on the classification of their manufacturing plants. We will include instructions that provide definitions and a complete list of the products we are collecting. Companies will be asked to report on the products we have imprinted on their forms and any others that are covered by the survey.

**III. Data**

*OMB Number:* Not available.

*Form Number:* MA25Z, MA28X and MA28Z.

*Type of Review:* Regular.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,900 companies.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 30 minutes to 2 hours; average 1½ hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 4,350 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$56,246.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13, United States Code, Section 182.

#### 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: June 25, 1997.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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 U.S.C. chapter 35).

*Agency:* Bureau of the Census.

*Title:* Annual Survey of Local Government Finances (School Systems).  
*Form Number(s):* F-33, F-33-1, F-33-L1.

*Agency Approval Number:* 0607-0700.

*Type of Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Burden:* 2,871 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 894.

*Avg. Hours Per Response:* 3.2 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* The Census Bureau collects education finance data as part of its Annual Survey of State and Local Governments. This survey is the only comprehensive source of public fiscal data collected on a nationwide scale

using uniform definitions, concepts and procedures. The collection covers the revenues, expenditures, debt, and assets of all public school systems. This data collection has been coordinated with the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). The NCES uses this collection to satisfy its need for school system level finance data.

Information on the finances of our public schools is vital to assessing their effectiveness. This data collection makes it possible to access a single data base to obtain information on such things as per pupil expenditures and the percent of state, local, and federal funding for each school system. Recently, as exemplified by the establishment of the America 2000 education goals, there has been increased interest in improving the Nation's public schools. One result of this intensified interest has been a significant increase in the demand for school finance data.

The data to be collected is identical to the previous collection except as follows:

1—In order to differentiate between payments made to public school systems and those made to private school systems, we are adding an item that identifies payments to private schools.

2—In order to differentiate between payments made to public schools, those made to private schools, and those made to quasi-public charter schools, we are adding an item that identifies payments to charter schools.

3—We are eliminating separate items that request expenditure data for business support, central support, and other support services and will collect them under a single combined heading, as respondents often do not separately collect the detail for these three functions.

*Affected Public:* State, local, or tribal government.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13 USC, Sections 161 and 182.

*OMB Desk Officer:* Jerry Coffey, (202) 395-7314.

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 5312, 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 Jerry Coffey, OMB Desk

Officer, room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 24, 1997.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### Bureau of Economic Analysis

##### Benchmark Survey of Foreign Direct Investment in the United States—1997

**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 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 2, 1997.

**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 instruments and instructions should be directed to: R. David Belli, U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, BE-50(OC), Washington, DC 20230 (Telephone: 202-606-9800).

##### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The Benchmark Survey of Foreign Direct Investment in the United States—1997 will obtain universe data on the financial and operating characteristics of, and on positions and transactions between, U.S. affiliates and their foreign parents. The data from the quinquennial survey will provide benchmarks for deriving current universe estimates of foreign direct investment from sample data collected in other BEA surveys in nonbenchmark years. The data are needed to measure the size of foreign direct investment in the United States, monitor changes in such investment, assess its impact on the U.S. economy, and based upon this assessment, make