

cases reported that the revised and current forms required about the same level of effort to complete.

II. Method of Collection

The Census Bureau will use mail out/mail back survey forms to collect data. Companies will be asked to respond to the survey within 25 days of the end of the quarter the data are being requested for. Letters and/or telephone calls encouraging participation will be directed to respondents that have not responded by the designated time.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0432

Form Number: QFR-101 (Sent to manufacturing, mining, and wholesale trade corporations with assets of \$50 million or more at time of sampling), QFR-102 (Sent to retail trade corporations with assets of \$50 million or more at time of sampling), QFR-101A (Sent to manufacturing corporations with assets of less than \$50 million at time of sampling), and QFR-103 (Sent at the beginning of sample selection and at 2-year intervals if the corporation is included in the sample for more than eight quarters)

Type of Review: Regular Review

Affected Public: Manufacturing corporations with assets of \$250 thousand or more and mining and wholesale and retail trade corporations with assets of \$50 million or more.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Form QFR-101—3,475 per quarter, 13,900 annually

Form QFR-102—575 per quarter, 2,300 annually

Form QFR-101A—4,500 per quarter, 18,000 annually

Form QFR-103—1,225 per quarter, 4,900 annually

Estimated Time Per Response: The average for all respondents is about 2.1 hours. For companies completing form the QFR-101 or QFR-102, the range is from less than 1 to 10 hours, averaging 2.9 hours. For companies completing form QFR-101A, the range is less than 1 hour to 3 hours, averaging 1.2 hours. For companies completing form QFR-103, the range is from 1 to 4 hours, averaging 2.4 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: The total annual burden for fiscal years 1997 and 1998 is estimated to be 78,600 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$2,950,000

Respondents' Obligation: Mandatory

Legal Authority: Title 13 United States Code, Sections 91 and 224

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: February 18, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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International Trade Administration

Format for Petition Requesting Relief Under U.S. Countervailing Duty Law

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 the continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c) (2) (A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 25, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. Phone number: (202) 482-3272.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to: Roy A. Malmrose, AD/CVD Enforcement I, Room 3707, 1400 Constitution Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20230; phone: (202) 482-5414, and fax: (202) 501-5439.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The International Trade Administration, Import Administration, AD/CVD Enforcement, implements the U.S. anti-dumping and countervailing duty law. Import Administration investigates allegations of unfair trade practices by foreign governments and producers and, in conjunction with the U.S. International Trade Commission, can impose duties on the product in question to offset the unfair practices. Form ITA-366P—Format for Petition Requesting Relief Under the U.S. Countervailing Duty Law—is designed for U.S. companies or industries that are unfamiliar with the countervailing duty law and the petition process. The Form is designed for potential petitioners that believe a foreign competitor is being subsidized unfairly. Since a variety of detailed information is required under the law before initiation of a countervailing duty investigation, the Form is designed to extract such information in the least burdensome manner possible.

II. Method of Collection

Form ITA-366P is sent by request to potential U.S. petitioners and completed in written form.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0625-0148

Form Number: ITA-366P

Type of Review: Renewal—Regular submission

Affected Public: U.S. companies or industries that suspect the presence of unfair competition from subsidized foreign enterprises

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5

Estimated Time Per Response: 40 hours

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 200 hours

Estimated Total Annual Cost:

Assuming the number of petitioners remains the same, with a total of 40 hours per respondent, at an estimated cost of \$70 per hour, the total annual cost is \$14,000.

IV. Requested 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: February 18, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Department Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC) Meeting

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC) will hold its eighth plenary meeting. The ETTAC was created on May 31, 1994, to promote a close working-relationship between government and industry and to expand export growth in priority and emerging markets for environmental products and services.

DATES AND PLACE: February 27, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The meeting will take place in Room 3407 of the Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington D.C. 20230.

The agenda will include a discussion of ETTAC recommendations that were presented to the Secretary of Commerce in October, 1996; future steps for the ETTAC; and the current status of ETTAC memberships.

This program is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Amy Bellanca, Department of Commerce, Room 1002, Washington D.C. 20230. Seating is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Office of Environmental Technologies Exports, Room 1003, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, phone (202) 482-5225, facsimile (202) 482-5665 TDD 1-800-833-8723.

Dated: February 10, 1997.

Eric Fredell,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environmental Technologies Exports.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Notice of Solicitation for Sea Grant Review Panelists

SUMMARY: This notice responds to Section 209(c) of the National Sea Grant College Program Act, 33 U.S.C. 1128, which requires the Secretary of Commerce to solicit nominations for membership on the Sea Grant Review Panel at least once a year. This advisory committee provides advice on the implementation of the National Sea Grant College Program.

DATES: Resumes should be sent to the address specified and must be received by March 26, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Dr. Ronald C. Baird, Director, National Sea Grant College Program, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 11716, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Ronald Baird of the National Sea Grant College Program at the address given above; telephone (301) 713-2448, or fax number (301) 713-0799.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 209 of the Act establishes a sea grant review panel to advise the Secretary of Commerce, the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, and the Director of the National Sea Grant College Program on the implementation of the Sea Grant Program. The panel provides advice of such matters as:

- (a) The Sea Grant Fellowship Program;
- (b) Applications or proposals for, and performance under, grants and contracts awarded under section 205 and section 208 of the Sea Grant Program Improvement Act of 1976;
- (c) The designation and operation of sea grant colleges and sea grant regional consortia; and the operation of the sea grant program;
- (d) the formulation and application of the planning guidelines and priorities under section 204(a) and (1); and,
- (e) Such other matters as the Secretary refers to the panel for review and advice.

The Panel is to consist of 15 voting members composed as follows: Not less than eight of the voting members of the panel should be individuals who, by reason of knowledge, experience, or

training, are especially qualified in one or more of the disciplines and fields included in marine science. The other voting members shall be individuals who by reason of knowledge, experience, or training, are especially qualified in, or representative of, education, extension service, state government, industry, economics, planning, or any other activity which is appropriate to, and important for, any effort to enhance the understanding, assessment, development, utilization, or conservation of ocean and coastal resources. No individual is eligible to be a voting member of the panel if the individual is (a) the director of a sea grant college, sea grant regional consortium, or sea grant program, (b) an applicant for or beneficiary (as determined by the Secretary) of any grant or contract under Section 205 or (c) a full-time officer or employee of the United States. The Director of the National Sea Grant College Program and one Director of a Sea Grant Program also serve as non-voting members. The positions on the panel will become vacant during 1997. Candidates who are selected to fill these vacancies will be appointed for a 3-year term.

Dated: February 18, 1997.

Alan R. Thomas,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Oceanic and Atmospheric Research.

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National Technical Information Service

NTIS Advisory Board Meeting

AGENCY: National Technical Information Service, Technology Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the National Technical Information Service Advisory Board (the "Board") will meet on Tuesday, March 18, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and on Wednesday, March 19, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The session on Wednesday, March 19, 1997, will be closed to the Public.

The Board was established under the authority of 15 U.S.C. 3704(c), and was Chartered on September 15, 1989. The Board is composed of five members appointed by the Secretary of Commerce who are eminent in such fields as information resources management, information technology, and library and information services. The purpose of the meeting is to review and make