

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 of 1995, Public Law 104-13.

Bureau: International Trade Administration.

Title: Information Services Order Form.

Agency Form Number: ITA-4096P.

OMB Number: 0625-0143.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.

Burden: 483 hours.

Number of Respondents: 2,675.

Avg. Hours per Response: 10 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The International Trade Administration's U.S. & Foreign Commercial Service Export Assistance Centers offer their clients DOC programs, market research, and services to enable the client to begin exporting or to expand existing exporting efforts. The Information Services Order Form is used by US&FCS trade specialists in the Export Assistance Center to collect information about clients in order to determine which programs or services would best help clients meet their export goals. This form is required for clients to order US&FCS programs and services. Certain programs are tailored for individual clients, e.g., the Agent Distributor Service, which identifies potential overseas agents or distributors for a particular U.S. manufacturer. The form is being revised because some of the product names have changed or have been discontinued.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for profit, not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain a benefit, voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-7340.

Copies of the above information collection can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, Department Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

Dated: January 8, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

Department Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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Bureau: International Trade Administration.

Title: Commercial News USA.

Agency Form Number: ITA-4063P.

OMB Number: 0625-0061.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.

Burden: 733 hours.

Number of Respondents: 2,200.

Avg. Hours Per Response: 20 minutes.

Needs and Uses: Commercial News USA (CNUSA), published twelve times a year by a private sector firm, is the Department of Commerce's export catalogue-magazine. The product information in CNUSA reaches more than 145,000 distributors, government officials, and potential buyers overseas through direct distribution from U.S. embassies and consulates. Firms use the form to request that their product information be published in CNUSA, a service for which they pay a minimum of \$445.

This information collection item allows the U.S. Department of Commerce to promote U.S. products and services available for export as well as part of the USDOC's trade promotion activities. CNUSA is a unique export promotion service for U.S. manufacturers, service firms, and publishers of trade and technical literature; nothing similar is available to them through the private sector. The product promotions in CNUSA differ from paid advertisements in that they must meet program criteria. Because U.S. embassies and consulates handle distribution, the product information reaches a vast, screened readership not only through direct dissemination but also through counseling by commercial officers and through walk-in visits to commercial libraries where CNUSA is displayed. Further, American Chambers of Commerce, local business editors, and other trade entities that reprint information from CNUSA or display or disseminate the entire magazine provide a multiplier effect.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain a benefit, voluntary.

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Dated: January 8, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

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Bureau: International Trade Administration.

Title: User Satisfaction Surveys.

OMB Number: 0625-0217.

Form Number: ITA-4107P, ITA-4110P, etc.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.

Burden: 3,560 hours.

Number of Respondents: 22,188.

Avg. Hours Per Response: 5-15 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The International Trade Administration (ITA) provides a multitude of export promotion programs to help U.S. businesses. These programs include information products, services, and trade events. To accomplish its mission effectively, ITA needs ongoing feedback on its programs. This information collection item allows ITA to solicit clients' opinions about the use of ITA products, services, and trade events. The information is used for program improvement, strategic planning, allocation of resources, and performance measures.

The surveys are part of ITA's effort to implement objectives of the National

Performance Review (NPR) and Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA). Responses to the surveys will meet the needs of ITA performance measures based on NPR and GPRA guidelines. These performance measures will serve as a basis for justifying and allocating human and financial resources.

Survey responses will acquaint ITA managers with firms' perceptions and assessments of export-assistance products and services. Also, the survey will enable ITA to track the performance of overseas posts. This information is critical for improving the programs. Survey responses are used to assess client satisfaction, assess priorities, and identify areas where service levels and benefits differ from client expectations. Clients benefit because the information is used to improve services provided to the public. Without this information, ITA is unable to systematically determine client perceptions about the quality and benefit of its export-promotion programs.

Affected Public: ITA clients that purchased products or services.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-7340.

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Dated: January 8, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

Department Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Materials Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Open Meeting

The Materials Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC) will meet on January 27, 1999, 10:30 a.m., in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Constitution & Pennsylvania Avenues, NW, Washington DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for

Export Administration with respect to technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to advanced materials and related technology.

Agenda

1. Opening remarks.
2. Election of a Co-Chair.
3. Discussion of the Biological Weapons Convention implementation protocol.
4. Presentation of papers or comments by the public.

The meeting will be open to the public and a limited number of seats will be available. Reservations are not required. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. Written statements may be submitted at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation materials to the following address: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, Advisory Committees MS: 3886C 15th St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230.

For more information contact Lee Ann Carpenter on (202) 482-2583.

Dated: January 7, 1999.

Lee Ann Carpenter,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 1-99]

Foreign-Trade Zone 72—Indianapolis, IN; Application for Subzone; Tetra Pak Parts Americas, Inc. (Distribution of Parts for Liquid Food Processing and Packaging Equipment), Greenwood, IN

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Indianapolis Airport Authority, grantee of FTZ 72, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the liquid food processing and packaging equipment parts distribution facility of Tetra Pak Parts Americas, Inc. (Tetra Pak), located in Greenwood, Indiana, some 10 miles south of Indianapolis. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-

81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on January 6, 1999.

The Tetra Pak facility (10,784 sq. ft. on .3 acres) is located at 200 South Park Blvd., Greenwood, Indiana. The facility (14 employees) is used for storage, inspection, packaging and distribution of a wide variety of parts and components for liquid food processing and packaging equipment. The products are distributed throughout North, Central and South America. About 80 percent of the parts are sourced from abroad and over 65 percent are exported. No authority is being sought for activity conducted under FTZ procedures that would result in a change in tariff classification.

Zone procedures would exempt Tetra Pak from Customs duty payments on foreign parts that are reexported. On its domestic sales, the company would be able to defer duty payments until merchandise is shipped from the facility. The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures would help improve the facility's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ staff has been appointed examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is March 15, 1999. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period March 29, 1999.

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce Export Assistance Center, 11405 N. Pennsylvania St., Ste 106, Carmel, Indiana 46032

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: January 6, 1999.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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