

and ITFS will simplify two-way licensing and provide greater flexibility in the use of the allotted spectrum to licensees. These changes will eliminate market entry barriers for small entities. The Commission will use this information to ensure that MDS and ITFS applicants, conditional licensees and licensees have considered properly the potential for harmful interference from their facilities.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), 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 continuing information collections. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this notice seeks comments concerning FEMA Form 85-3, National Defense Executive Reserve Personal Qualifications Statement. The form is used by Federal departments and agencies to recruit members for the National Defense Executive Reserve (NDER) program.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** The NDER program was established by the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended. Under Executive Order 12919, National Defense Industrial Resources Preparedness, June 3, 1994, Part VI, Section 601, the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency coordinates the NDER program activities of departments and agencies that have NDER units. The NDER is composed of persons of recognized expertise from industry, organized labor, professional groups, and academia to serve in executive positions in the Federal Government during the event of an national emergency. FEMA may activate an NDER unit in whole or in part, upon the written determination that an national emergency affecting the national security or defense preparedness of the United States exists,

and that the activation of the units is necessary to carry out the emergency program functions of departments or agencies.

#### *Collection of Information*

**Title:** The National Defense Executive Reserve Personal Qualifications Statement.

**Type of Information Collection:** Revision of a currently approved collection.

**OMB Number:** 3067-0001.

**Form Numbers:** FEMA Form 85-3, National Defense Executive Reserve Personal Qualification Statement.

**Abstract:** The NDER is a Federal government program coordinated by FEMA. To become a member of the NDER, individuals with the requisite qualifications must complete an FEMA Form 85-3, National Defense Executive Reserve Personal Qualification Statement. FEMA Form 85-3 is an application form that is used by Federal departments and agencies to fill NDER vacancies and to ensure that individuals are qualified to perform in the assigned emergency positions. FEMA reviews the application forms to ensure that the candidate meets all basic membership qualifications for the Executive Reservist; ensures that applicants are not already serving in a Federal department or agency sponsored unit; and in some cases, determines the Federal department or agency best suited for the applicant.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or Households.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 25 hours.

**Estimated Cost:** None.

**Comments:** Written comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. Comments should be received within 60 days of the date of this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, FEMA Information

Collections Officer, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472. Telephone number (202) 646-2625. FAX number (202) 646-3524 or e:mail [muriel.anderson@fema.gov](mailto:muriel.anderson@fema.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact Margaret B. Roberts, Program Manager, Preparedness, Training and Exercises Directorate, (202) 646-3564 for additional information. Contact Ms. Anderson at (202) 646-2625 for copies of the proposed collection of information.

Dated: June 7, 1999.

**Reginald Trujillo,**

*Director, Program Services Division,  
Operations Support Directorate.*

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency, 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 proposed collection of information. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this notice seeks comments concerning the Capability Assessment for Readiness (CAR) which collects data on the capabilities of States to effectively respond to major disasters and emergencies.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The CAR program was established based on the requirement recognized by both the U.S. Congress and FEMA that an assessment of State capabilities was needed to determine the States' readiness to effectively respond to major disasters, and secondarily that FEMA financial assistance to the States is being effectively utilized. The answers to these questions are provided in the CAR assessment that involves detailed programmatic questions on mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery activities.

Section 313 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Public Law 93-288, as amended) requires the President to "conduct annual review of activities of Federal agencies and State and local governments in major disaster and

emergency assistance, in order to assure maximum coordination and effectiveness of such programs."

Section 613 of the Stafford Act concerning financial contributions to States for necessary and essential State and local emergency preparedness personnel and administrative expenses provides that the State "shall make such reports in such form and content as the Director may require."

*Collection of Information:*

*Title:* Capability Assessment for Readiness (CAR).

*Type of Information Collection:* Reinstatement, with change, of a

previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*OMB Number:* 3067-0272.

*Form Numbers:* Not Applicable.

*Abstract.* The CAR is needed by FEMA to determine that current capabilities of the States to respond to major disasters and emergencies. It is also an essential means of reporting to the United States Congress and the President on the degree to which States, as primary recipients of FEMA grants, are capable of performing their emergency management responsibilities. It provides a mechanism to evaluate the effectiveness of FEMA programs that are designed to help States attain a high

level of achievement in mitigation, preparedness response and recovery programs. It can be used by States for: (1) developing strategic planning initiatives; (2) producing annual work plans for Federal grants based on areas requiring improvement that are identified in the CAR; (3) providing a basis for budget submissions to State legislatures; and (4) modifying CAR to establish an instrument to assess the capabilities of local jurisdictions.

*Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Government (U.S. States and Territories).

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,680 annually; 3,360 biennially.

FEMA forms	Number of Respondents (A)	Frequency of Response (B)	Hours per response (C)	Annual burden hours (A × B × C)
	56	Biennial .....	60	3,360.
Total .....	56	Biennial .....	60	3,360. 1,680 on an annual basis.

*Estimated Cost.* Cost to Federal Government is \$470,500. The cost to the States is \$87,360.

**COMMENTS:** Written comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) determine an estimated cost of the proposed data collections to respondents; (d) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (e) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. Comments should be received on or before August 17, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, FEMA Information Collections Officer, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472. Telephone number (202) 646-2625. FAX number (202) 646-3524, e-mail: [muriel.anderson@fema.gov](mailto:muriel.anderson@fema.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information contact Alfred J. Ranno, Preparedness, Training, and Exercises Directorate, at (202) 646-3137.

Contact Ms. Anderson at (202) 646-2625 for copies of the proposed collection of information.

Dated: June 7, 1999.

**Reginald Trujillo,**

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency is submitting a request for review and approval of an expired information collection. The request is submitted under the emergency processing procedures in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations 5 CFR 1320.13. FEMA is requesting that this collection be approved by June 8, 1999, for use through December 1999.

FEMA plans to follow this emergency request with a 3-year approval. The request will be processed under OMB's normal clearance procedures in accordance with the provisions of OMB regulation CFR 1320.10. To help us with the timely processing of both the emergency and normal paperwork clearance submissions to OMB, FEMA invites State and local governments to

comment on the proposed collection of information. This notice and request for comments is in accordance with the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)(A)). It seeks comments concerning the collection of information associated with financial and administrative reporting and recordkeeping requirements that enable State and local governments to request from FEMA Federal financial and technical assistance through Performance Partnership Agreements/Cooperative Agreements.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Cooperative Agreements under Performance Partnership Agreements are the vehicle for achieving the Federal Emergency Management Agency's strategic goal of establishing in concert with its partners, a national emergency management system that is comprehensive, risk-based and all hazards in approach. It focuses on integrating and achieving Federal and State goals and objectives for the four broad emergency management functions: Mitigation (risk reduction), preparedness (operational readiness), response (emergency operations), and recovery. This collection of information is in accordance with the requirements of Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 13, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative agreements to State and Local Governments, Subpart B, section 13.10; Subpart C, sections 13.32, 13.33, 13.40, 13.41; and Subpart D, section 13.50. Under the Performance