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 (or via the Internet at LEngelme@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Karen Salvini - F/PR3, Office of Protected Resources, Room

Office of Protected Resources, Room 13603, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301) 713-1401 (x130).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et. seq.) imposed prohibitions against the taking of endangered species. Section 10 of the ESA allows permits authorizing the taking of endangered species for research/enhancement purposes. The corresponding regulations established procedures for persons to apply for such permits. In addition, the regulations set forth specific reporting requirements for such permit holders.

The regulations contain two sets of information collections: (l) applications for research/enhancement permits, and (2) reporting requirements for permits issued.

The required information is used to evaluate the impacts of the proposed activity on endangered species, to make the determinations required by the ESA prior to issuing a permit, and to establish appropriate permit conditions. In order to issue permits as under ESA section 10(a)(1)(A), NMFS must determine that (1) such exceptions were applied for in good faith, (2) if granted and exercised will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species, and (3) will be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

II. Method of Collection

Permit applicants must submit a written application to NMFS, including all appropriate information listed on the instructions. These instructions are a user-friendly version of the requirements at 50 CFR § 222.23(b) for applications for research/enhancement permits.

Once issued, the permit requires that permit holders submit an annual report on activities, including information on the species, stocks, dates, location, and condition of animals taken.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648–0084. Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular Submission. Affected Public: Federal, State, local, or tribal government; business or other for-profit; individuals; universities and research institutions; not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: Permits: 60; Modification Requests: 60; Reports: 60 Annual Reports and 20 Final Reports.

Estimated Time Per Response: Permits: 40 hours; Modification Requests: 10 hours; Annual Reports: 10; Final Reports: 20 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Per Year: Permits: 2,400 hours; Modification Requests: 600 hours; Annual Reports: 600 hours; Final Reports: 400 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$290 annual for printing and mailing of submissions.

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: August 2, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Chief Information Officer.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 19, 1999.

PLACE: 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 9th Floor Conference Room.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Rule Enforcement Review.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jean A. Webb, 202–418–5100.

Catherine D. Dixon.

Assistant Secretary of the Commission. [FR Doc. 99–20510 Filed 8–5–99; 11:36 am] BILLING CODE 6351–01–M

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:

Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

TIME AND DATE: 2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 26, 1999.

PLACE: 1155 21st., NW, Washington, DC, 9th Floor Conference Room.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Enforcement Matters.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Catherine D. Dixon,

Assistant Secretary of the Commission.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

[OMB Control Number 0704-0250]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contract Administration

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD). **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and

clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection for use through December 31, 1999. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through December 31, 2002.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by October 8, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should submit written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Mr. Rick Layser, PDUSD(A&T)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telefax (703) 602–0350.

Address E-mail comments submitted via the Internet to: dfars@acq.osd.mil.

Please cite OMB Control Number 0704–0250 in all correspondence related to this issue. E-mail comments should cite OMB Control Number 0704–0250 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Rick Layser, at (703) 602–0293. The referenced information collection requirements are available electronically via the Internet at: http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/dfars.html.

Paper copies are available from Mr. Rick Layser, PDUSD(A&T)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Forms, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 242, Contract Administration, and related clauses in DFARS Part 252; DD Form 375, Production Progress Report; DD Form 375C, Production Progress Report; (Continuation); and DD Form 1659, Application for U.S. Government Shipping Documentation/Instructions; OMB Control Number 0704–0250.

Needs and Uses: DoD needs this information to perform contract administration functions. DoD uses the information as follows:

- a. Contract administration offices use the information required by DFARS Subpart 242.11, and submitted on DD Forms 375 and 375C, to determine contractor progress and to identify any factors that may delay contract performance.
- b. Administrative contracting officers use the information required by DFARS Subpart 242.73 to determine the allowability of insurance/pension costs under Government contracts.

- c. Contract administration offices and transportation officers use the information required by DFARS 252.242–7003, and submitted on DD Form 1659, in providing Government bills of lading to contractors.
- d. Contracting officers use the information required by DFARS 252.242–7004 to determine if contractor material management and accounting systems conform to established DoD standards.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions. Annual Burden Hours: 537,590. Number of Respondents: 109,560. Responses Per Respondent: Approximately 2.

Annual Responses: 172,430. Average Burden Per Response: Approximately 3 hours. Frequently: On occasion.

Summary of Information Collection

This information collection includes requirements relating to DFARS part 242, Contract Administration.

- a. DFARS Subpart 242.11 requires DoD contract administration personnel to conduct production reviews to determine contractor progress and to identify any factors that may delay contract performance. Contractors must provide information needed to support the reviews and must submit production progress reports on DD Forms 375 and 375c.
- b. DFARS Subpart 242.73 contains requirements for Government conduct of Contractor Insurance/Pension Reviews. Contractors must provide documentation needed to support the reviews.
- c. DFARS 252.242–7003 requires contractors to request Government bills of lading by submitting DD Form 1659 to the transportation officer or the contract administration office.
- d. DFARS 252.242–7004 requires contractors to establish, maintain, disclose, and demonstrate material management and accounting systems. **Michele P. Peterson**,

Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

[OMB Control Number 0704-0246]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Government Property

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DOD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimates of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (b) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection for use through December 31, 1999. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through December 31, 2002..

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by October 8, 1992.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should submit written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Mr. Rick Layser, PDUSD (A&T)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telefax (703) 602–0350.

Address E-mail comments submitted via the Internet to: dfars@acq.osd.mil.

Please cite OMB Control Number 0704–0246 in all correspondence related to this issue. E-mail comments should cited OMB Control Number 0704–0246 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Rick Layser, at (703) 602–0293. The referenced information collection requirements are available electronically via the Internet at: http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/dfars.html.

Paper copies are available from Mr. Rick Layser, PDUSD (A&T)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Forms, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations Supplement (DFARS) Part 245, Government Property, and related clauses in DFARS Part 252; DD Form 1149, Requisition and Invoice/Shipping