

National Women's Business Council, Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, Room 210, Washington, DC 20416.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Women's Business Council (NWBC) is a non-partisan federal advisory council created to serve as an independent source of advice and counsel to the President, Congress, and the U.S. Small Business Administration on economic issues of importance to women business owners.

NWBC is undertaking a research study that will explore how corporate supplier diversity programs have and can be used to support the growth of women-owned businesses (WOBs). Data will be collected using surveys, focus groups and telephone interviews.

This study will build on the existing body of knowledge about the opportunities and challenges WOBs have faced in their experiences with corporate supplier diversity programs; the perceived and actual value corporations gain by offering supplier diversity programs; how corporations intentionally support the success of WOBs; and what factors are most critical to the success of supplier diversity programs—from the perspective of both women entrepreneurs and corporations.

NWBC will use the resulting report from this data collection to inform its annual report to the President, Congress, and the SBA on policy and program recommendations to support the growth of women-owned businesses.

Solicitation of Public Comments

SBA is requesting comments on (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the agency to properly perform its functions; (b) whether the burden estimates are accurate; (c) whether there are ways to minimize the burden, including through the use of automated techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) whether there are ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information.

Summary of Information Collection

Title: Women's Participation in Corporate Supplier Diversity.

Description of Respondents: Respondents in the study will be women business owners and managers of corporate supplier diversity programs. A random selection of women

business owners across the United States will be invited to complete a survey regarding their experiences with corporate supplier diversity programs. To delve more deeply into the perceptions and opinions about corporate supplier diversity programs, focus groups with women business owners will be held in Washington, DC, New York, NY, Chicago, IL, and Los Angeles, CA. Individual interviews will be conducted with managers of corporate supplier diversity programs in order to explore characteristics of corporate supplier diversity programs and factors that contribute to their success in meeting targets for participation of women owned businesses.

Form Number: N/A.

Total Estimated Annual Responses

The study anticipates that approximately 400 surveys will be completed by women business owners; that there will be a maximum of 96 focus group participants (no more than 12 persons for each of 8 focus groups); and 20 individual interviews will be conducted. Potential participants will be identified through organizations that certify and provide services that facilitate the growth of women owned businesses.

Total Estimated Annual Hour Burden

It is estimated that survey respondents will spend a maximum of 30 minutes completing the questionnaire. Focus groups participants will spend approximately 120 minutes completing a pre-discussion questionnaire, engaging in the focus group discussion and traveling to and from the focus group location. Interviews with corporate supplier diversity managers will require approximately 60 minutes.

The total annual time burden is estimated at 417 hours for completion of all aspects of data collection. To estimate the annualized cost of this time burden, we assumed 2,000 annual working hours and an annual salary of \$75,000, which is the median salary of small business owners as reported by PayScale Human Resources¹, resulting in a cost per participant of \$0.63. For survey respondents, the total annualized time burden would be \$18.90 per participant or a total of \$7,560; for focus group participants, it would be \$75.60 or a total of \$7,257.60; and for interview respondents it would be \$37.80 or a total of \$756.00.

In order to obtain 96 focus participants, it is estimated that 300 contacts will be needed. Of those 204 individuals who are contacted and

screened, but who are not eligible, willing, or able to participate in the focus groups, the time burden is approximately five minutes. This adds an additional annual time burden of \$642.60.

In total, the time burden cost for this study is estimated at \$16,216.20.

Curtis B. Rich,

Management Analyst.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #14159 and #14160]

Montana Disaster #MT-00044

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a Notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Montana (FEMA-4198-DR), dated 10/09/2014.

Incident: Severe Storms, Straight-line Winds, and Flooding.

Incident Period: 08/21/2014 through 08/25/2014.

Effective Date: 10/09/2014.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 12/08/2014.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 07/09/2015.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the President's major disaster declaration on 10/09/2014, Private Non-Profit organizations that provide essential services of governmental nature may file disaster loan applications at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties: Blaine, Carter, Musselshell, Petroleum, Valley, and the Fort Belknap Reservation within Blaine County.

The Interest Rates are:

	Percent
For Physical Damage:	

	Percent
Non-Profit Organizations With Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625
For Economic Injury:	
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.625

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 14159B and for economic injury is 14160B.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

James E. Rivera,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Military Reservist Economic Injury Disaster Loans Interest Rate for First Quarter FY 2015

In accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations 13—Business Credit and Assistance § 123.512, the following interest rate is effective for Military Reservist Economic Injury Disaster Loans approved on or after October 17, 2014.

Military Reservist Loan Program—
4.000%

Dated: October 16, 2014.

James E. Rivera,

Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 8923]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Annual Report—J-NONIMMIGRANT Exchange Visitor Program

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public

comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: The Department will accept comments from the public up to 60 days from October 22, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Web:* Persons with access to the Internet may use the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) to comment on this notice by going to www.Regulations.gov. You can search for the document by entering “Public Notice 8923” in the Search bar. If necessary, use the Narrow by Agency filter option on the Results page.

- *Email:* JExchanges@State.gov
- *Mail (paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions):* U.S. Department of State, ECA/EC, SA–5, Floor 5, 2200 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20522–0505, ATTN: Federal Register Notice Response. You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and OMB control number in any correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents, to Robin J. Lerner, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Private Sector Exchange, ECA/EC, SA–5, Floor 5, Department of State, 2200 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20522–0505, who may be reached on 202–632–3206 or at JExchanges@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Annual Report—J-NONIMMIGRANT Exchange Visitor Program.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405–0151.
- *Type of Request:* Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Office of Private Sector Exchange, ECA/EC.
- *Form Number:* Form DS–3097.
- *Respondents:* Designated J-NONIMMIGRANT program sponsors.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,400.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 1,400.
- *Average Hours per Response:* 2 hours.
- *Total Estimated Burden:* 2,800 hours.
- *Frequency:* Annually.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of our functions;

- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

Abstract of Proposed Collection

Annual reports from designated program sponsors assist the Department in oversight and administration of the J-NONIMMIGRANT visa program. The reports provide qualitative data on the number of exchange participants an organization sponsored annually per category of exchange. The reports also provide a summary of the activities in which exchange visitors were engaged and indicate information about program effectiveness. Program sponsors include government agencies, academic institutions, and private sector not-for-profit and for-profit entities. Annual reports are completed through the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) and then printed and signed by a sponsor official, and sent to the Department by mail or fax.

Dated: October 16, 2014.

Robin Lerner,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Private Sector Exchange, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 8924]

In the Matter of the Designation of Ramzi Mawafi, also known as Ramzi Mowafi, also known as Ramzi Mahmoud Al Mowafi, also known as Ramzi Muwafi, as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist pursuant to Section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224, as Amended

Acting under the authority of and in accordance with section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, as amended by Executive Order 13268 of July 2, 2002, and Executive Order 13284 of January 23, 2003, I hereby determine that the individual known as Ramzi Mawafi, also known as Ramzi Mowafi, also known as Ramzi Mahmoud Al Mowafi, also known as Ramzi Muwafi, committed, or poses a significant risk of committing, acts of terrorism that threaten the security of