

Foreign Residents. These changes will not have a material effect on overall respondent burden.

II. Method of Collection

Forms BE-605 and BE-605 Bank are quarterly reports that must be filed within 30 days after the end of each quarter (45 days after the final quarter of the respondent's fiscal year) by every U.S. business enterprise that is owned 10 percent or more by a foreign investor and that has total assets, sales or gross operating revenues, or net income (positive or negative) of over \$30 million. Potential respondents are those U.S. business enterprises that were required to report in the BE-12, Benchmark Survey of Foreign Direct Investment in the United States—2002, along with those U.S. business enterprises that subsequently entered the direct investment universe. The data collected are sample data covering transactions and positions between foreign-owned U.S. business enterprises and their affiliated foreign groups. Universe estimates are developed from the reported sample data.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0608-0009.

Form Number: BE-605/BE-605 Bank.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,950 per quarter; 15,800 annually.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1¼ hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 19,750.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$790,000 (based on an estimated reporting burden of 19,750 hours and an estimated hourly cost of \$40).

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 has 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: July 11, 2005.

Madeleine Clayton,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

BISNIS Publication Subscription Form

Title: BISNIS Publication Subscription Form.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, 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 September 13, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230. Phone number: (202) 482-0266. E-mail: dHynek@doc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Request for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to: Philip de Leon, International Trade Administration, U.S. Foreign Commercial Service, Business Information Service for the Newly Independent States (BISNIS), 14th & Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; Phone number: (202) 482-2109, and fax number: (202) 482-3574.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The International Trade Administration's (ITA) Business Information Service for the Newly Independent States (BISNIS) program offers business information and counseling to U.S. companies seeking to export or to invest in the countries of the former Soviet Union. A critical component of the program is the dissemination of information regarding

market conditions and opportunities in various industries and countries of the former Soviet Union. These information products provided by BISNIS are in the form of e-mails, faxes, and paper mailers. The Publication Subscription form is a quick way for interested parties to tell BISNIS which products they want and their industry and country interests.

II. Method of Collection

Internet, fax, mail, or telephone.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0625-0236.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit firms.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 170 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Costs: The estimated annual cost for this collection is \$5,100.00 (\$4,080.00 for respondents and \$1,020.00 for Federal government).

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 costs) 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 forms of information technology.

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