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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-7285, or [David\\_Rostker@omb.eop.gov](mailto:David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce 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 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

*Agency:* National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

*Title:* National Voluntary Conformity Assessment System Evaluation (NVCASE) Program.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*OMB Approval Number:* 0693-0019.

*Type of Request:* Regular submission.

*Burden Hours:* 30.

*Number of Respondents:* 10.

*Average Hours Per Response:* 3.

*Needs and Uses:* This information is required by NIST to evaluate laboratories, certification bodies, quality system registrars, and accreditation entities that apply for recognition to provide services to U.S. manufacturers. The information collected is essential to enable NIST to thoroughly evaluate applicant's conformance with all the requirements of 15 CFR part 286. The manufacturers' products must satisfy mandatory regulations of the importing country prior to import.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations; not-for-profit institutions.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*OMB Desk Officer:* David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek,

Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [dHynek@doc.gov](mailto:dHynek@doc.gov)).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Jacqueline Zeiher, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-5806, or [JZeiher@omb.eop.gov](mailto:JZeiher@omb.eop.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Census Bureau

#### Quarterly Survey of the Finances of Public-Employee Retirement Systems

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, 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 and/or 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 November 7, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [DHynek@doc.gov](mailto:DHynek@doc.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Ellen Thompson, Chief, Employment Branch, Governments Division, U.S. Census Bureau, 4700 Silver Hill Road, Stop 6800, Washington, DC 20233-6800, (301-763-1531) (or via the Internet at [ellen.ann.thompson@census.gov](mailto:ellen.ann.thompson@census.gov)).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

##### I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to request an extension for the quarterly retirement

survey. The quarterly survey was initiated by the Census Bureau in 1968 at the request of both the Council of Economic Advisers and the Federal Reserve Board. It gathers data on the assets of the 100 largest state and local government public-employee retirement systems. These systems hold over \$2 trillion in assets, which represent approximately 90 percent of all state and local government public-employee retirement system assets.

These important data are used by the Federal Reserve Board to track the public sector portion of the flow of funds accounts. The Bureau of Economic Analysis uses the data on corporate stock holdings to estimate dividends received by state and local government public-employee retirement systems. These estimates, in turn are used as a component in developing the national income and product accounts.

##### II. Method of Collection

Canvass methodology consists of a mail out/mail back questionnaire. Responses are screened manually, then put into an electronic format. No statistical methods are used to calculate the data.

Respondents may choose to report their data over our Internet site. In addition to reporting current quarter data on the Internet, respondents may report for the first time for the previous two quarters or submit revisions to their previously submitted data if needed.

In those instances when we are not able to obtain a response, estimates are made for nonrespondents based on historical data for that same system.

##### III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0607-0143.

*Form Number:* F-10.

*Type of Review:* Regular.

*Affected Public:* State and local government retirement systems.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 100.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 45 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 300.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$5,934.

**Note.**—Based upon the average hourly pay of \$19.78 for full-time employment for the financial administration function for state government employees in the 2004 Survey of State and Local Government Employment.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13 U.S.C., Section 182.

##### IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance