

ecosystems and no longer need the protections of the ESA. NMFS believes it is critically important to base its recovery plans on the many state, regional, tribal, local, and private conservation efforts already underway throughout the region. The agency's approach to recovery planning has been to support and participate in locally led collaborative efforts involving local communities, state, tribal, and Federal entities, and other stakeholders to develop recovery plans.

On June 30, 2005, the Governor of Washington presented NMFS a locally developed recovery plan for Puget Sound Chinook salmon prepared by the Shared Strategy, a coalition of natural resource agencies, local governments, tribes, businesses, environmental groups, and other stakeholders. After review of the Shared Strategy's "Draft Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Plan", NMFS added a Supplement, which describes how the local plan satisfies ESA requirements, including additional actions that NMFS believes are necessary to support recovery. The Shared Strategy plan and the NMFS-prepared Supplement form a proposed Recovery Plan that meets the requirements of the ESA. The proposed Recovery Plan covers the range of the Puget Sound Chinook Salmon ESU (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*), listed as threatened on March 24, 1999 (64 FR 14307). The area covered by the proposed Recovery Plan is the 16,000-square-mile (41,440 square km) Puget Sound Basin, the second largest estuary in the United States. It encompasses twenty major river systems originating in the Cascade mountain range to the east and the Olympic mountain range to the west. The recovery planning area ends at the Canadian border, but includes the San Juan Islands.

NMFS published notice of the availability of the proposed Recovery Plan for public comment in the **Federal Register** on December 27, 2005 (70 FR 76445), with a comment period closing on February 27, 2005. At the request of several commenters, NMFS is reopening the comment period, which will now extend until March 16, 2006 to allow additional opportunity for public comment. The documents are available on the NMFS Northwest Region Salmon Web site at <http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/Salmon-Recovery-Planning/index.cfm>.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: February 24, 2006.

**James H. Lecky,**

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,  
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Patent and Trademark Office

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) 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:** United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

**Title:** Electronic Response to Office Action and Preliminary Amendment Forms.

**Form Number(s):** PTO Form 1966 and PTO Form 1957.

**Agency Approval Number:** 0651-0050.

**Type of Request:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Burden:** 19,958 hours annually.

**Number of Respondents:** 117,400 responses per year.

**Avg. Hours Per Response:** The time needed to respond to the response to office action form and the preliminary amendment form is estimated to be 10 minutes (0.17 hours) each. This includes time to gather the necessary information, create the documents, and submit the completed requests.

**Needs and Uses:** This collection of information is required by the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1051 *et seq.*, which provides for the Federal registration of trademarks, service marks, collective trademarks and service marks, collective membership marks, and certification marks. Individuals and businesses who use their marks, or intend to use their marks, in interstate commerce, may file an application to register their mark. In some cases, the USPTO may issue Office Actions requesting missing information, or advising applicants of the refusal to register the mark. Applicants may also submit additional information voluntarily by providing a Preliminary Amendment. The USPTO administers the Trademark Act through 37 CFR Part 2, which contains the rules that implement the Act.

This collection of information is a matter of public record, and is used by the public for a variety of private business purposes related to establishing and enforcing trademark rights.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; farms; the federal Government; and state, local or tribal Government.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**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 any of the following methods:

- E-mail: [Susan.Brown@uspto.gov](mailto:Susan.Brown@uspto.gov). Include "0651-0050 copy request" in the subject line of the message.
- Fax: 571-273-0112, marked to the attention of Susan Brown.
- Mail: Susan K. Brown, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Architecture, Engineering and Technical Services, Data Architecture and Services Division, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before April 3, 2006 to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 23, 2006.

**Susan K. Brown,**

*Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Architecture, Engineering and Technical Services, Data Architecture and Services Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Patent and Trademark Office

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) 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:** United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

**Title:** Fastener Quality Act Insignia Recordal Process.

**Form Number(s):** PTO 16-11.

**Agency Approval Number:** 0651-0028.

**Type of Request:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Burden:** 6 hours annually.

**Number of Respondents:** 37 responses per year.

**Avg. Hours Per Response:** The USPTO estimates that it will take the public approximately 10 minutes (0.17 hours) to complete a request for the recordal of an insignia or renewal of a recordal.

This includes the time to gather the necessary information, prepare the form, and submit the completed request.

**Needs and Uses:** Under Section 5 of the Fastener Quality Act of 1999, 15 U.S.C. 5401 *et seq.*, as implemented in 15 CFR 280.300 *et seq.*, certain industrial fasteners must bear an insignia identifying the manufacturer. Manufacturers use this collection to record fastener insignias and renew the recordals with the USPTO so that these fasteners can be traced to their manufacturers. After the manufacturer submits a complete application for recordal of a fastener insignia, the USPTO will issue a Certificate of Recordal, which remains active for five years. The USPTO uses this information to maintain the Fastener Insignia Register, which is open to public inspection.

**Affected Public:** Businesses or other for-profits.

**Frequency:** On occasion and renewal every 5 years.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Mandatory.

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

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: [Susan.Brown@uspto.gov](mailto:Susan.Brown@uspto.gov). Include "0651-0028 copy request" in the subject line of the message.
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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before April 3, 2006 to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 23, 2006.

**Susan K. Brown,**

*Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Architecture, Engineering and Technical Services, Data Architecture and Services Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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### Early Reading First; Notice Reopening the Early Reading First (ERF) Fiscal Year (FY) 2006 Competition

**AGENCY:** Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** On January 18, 2006, we published in the **Federal Register** (71 FR 2916) a notice inviting applications for the Early Reading First FY 2006 competition. The deadline date for eligible applicants to transmit their pre-applications for funding under this competition was February 21, 2006 (as announced in the correction notice in the **Federal Register** on January 24, 2006 (71 FR 3829)).

We now are reopening the pre-application phase of the Early Reading First FY 2006 competition for two groups of eligible applicants:

**Group 1:** To afford eligible applicants a further opportunity to complete the electronic submission of their pre-applications for funding under this program, including those who may have experienced difficulties with the registration process, we are reopening the pre-application phase of the Early Reading First FY 2006 competition until March 9, 2006 for all eligible local educational agencies (LEAs) that were previously included on the posted Early Reading First eligible LEA lists and for eligible entities located in communities served by those eligible LEAs (Group 1).

These Group 1 applicants must submit their pre-applications electronically through Grants.gov as specified in the January 18, 2006 **Federal Register** notice inviting applications (Application Notice) (71 FR 2916). Group 1 applicants that submit their pre-applications pursuant to this notice must download, complete and submit an entirely new pre-application package through Grants.gov, as described in detail later in this notice under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, A. Group 1 Applicants—Electronic Submission Requirements, unless their previous submission was successfully submitted through Grants.gov by 4:30 p.m. (timely) or between 4:30 p.m. and midnight (late) on the original deadline of February 21, 2006.

**Group 2:** We also are reopening the pre-application phase of the Early Reading First FY 2006 competition for eligible LEAs that were inadvertently omitted from the FY 2006 eligible LEA lists posted on the Early Reading First Web site and for eligible entities located in communities served by those LEAs

(Group 2). These Group 2 applicants will have an additional 30-day period from the date of this notice to submit their pre-applications.

These Group 2 applicants must submit their pre-applications in paper format by mail or hand delivery rather than electronically. Although the Department generally requires electronic submission of Early Reading First applications through Grants.gov, the Grants.gov system will not accept a limited category of pre-applications with a different deadline, such as these, within an overall competition. Therefore, the Department is requiring submission by paper format for this small group of eligible applicants.

The new pre-application deadline dates for these two groups are as follows:

**DATES:** *Deadline for Transmittal of Group 1 Pre-Applications (All Eligible LEAs Previously Included on the FY 2006 Early Reading First Eligible LEA Lists and Eligible Entities Located in Communities Served by those LEAs):* March 9, 2006 (by 4:30 p.m., Washington DC, time).

Pre-applications from Group 1 applicants for grants under this competition must be submitted electronically using the Grants.gov Apply site (Grants.gov). For information (including dates and times) about how to submit your application electronically (or by mail or hand delivery if you are an applicant that previously qualified in this Early Reading First FY 2006 competition for an exception to the electronic submission requirement), please refer to the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section in this notice.

We do not consider a pre-application that does not comply with the deadline announced in this notice and submission requirements. Applicants that previously successfully submitted their complete pre-applications on or before the original deadline date of February 21, 2006, including those that were not timely because they submitted their pre-applications between 4:30 p.m. and midnight on that date, are not required to resubmit their applications.

*Deadline for Transmittal of Group 2 Pre-Applications (Eligible LEAs Listed in this Notice and Other Eligible Entities Located in Communities Served by those LEAs):* April 3, 2006.

For Group 2 applicants, the submission requirements for pre-applications for grants under this competition are changed from the originally required electronic submission. Group 2 applicants must submit their pre-applications in paper