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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit 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: Generic Clearance for Program Evaluation Data Collections.

OMB Control Number: 0693-0033.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 3,022.

Number of Respondents: 12,000.

Average Hours per Response: Varied dependent upon the individual data collection. Response time could be 2 minutes for a response card or 1 hour for a more structured survey instrument. The average response time is expected to be 30 minutes.

Needs and Uses: In accordance with Executive Order 12862, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), a non-regulatory agency of the Department of Commerce (DoC), proposes to conduct a number of surveys (quantitative and qualitative) designed to evaluate our current program evaluation data collections by means of, but not limited to, focus groups, reply cards that accompany product distributions, and Web-based surveys and dialogue boxes that offer customers the opportunity to express their views on the programs they are asked to evaluate. NIST will limit it inquires to data collections that solicit strictly voluntary opinions and will not collect information that is required or regulated. Steps will be taken to assure anonymity covered under this request.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions, individuals or households,

Federal government, State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Jasmeet Sehra, (202) 395-3123.

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 7845, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Jasmeet Sehra, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-5167 or via the Internet at Jasmeet_K_Sehra@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: July 22, 2009.

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Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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

Title: Generic Clearance for Usability Data Collections.

OMB Control Number: 0693-0043.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 1,000.

Number of Respondents: 2,000.

Average Hours per Response:

Response time may vary dependent upon the data collection method used. The response time will vary from 15 minutes to complete a questionnaire or up to three hours to participate in an empirical study. Average response time is expected to be 1 hour.

Needs and Uses: In accordance with Executive Order 12862, the NIST, a non-regulatory agency of the Department of

Commerce, proposes to conduct a number of data collection efforts, both quantitative and qualitative, to determine requirements and evaluate usability and utility of NIST research for measurement and standardization work. These data collection efforts may include, but may not be limited to electronic methodologies, empharical studies, video and audio data collections, interviews, and questionnaires. For example, data collection efforts may be conducted at search and rescue training exercises for rescue workers using robots. Other planned data collections include evaluations of software for use by the intelligence community. The participation will be strictly voluntary; regulated information will not be collected. The results of the data collected will be used to guide NIST research. Steps will be taken to ensure anonymity of respondents in each activity covered under this request.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Frequency: On occasion.

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