

2014. The Department renewed the Council charter on April 5, 2014 for an additional two years pursuant to the Department of Commerce authority under 15 U.S.C. 1512 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. App.

The Council advises the Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to the U.S. manufacturing industry, including on government policies and programs that affect the U.S. manufacturing industry and identifying and recommending programs and policies to help United States manufacturers maintain competitiveness both at home and abroad.

The Council provides a means of ensuring regular contact between the U.S. Government and the manufacturing sector, acting as a liaison among the stakeholders represented by the membership, and may provide a forum for those stakeholders on current and emerging issues in the manufacturing sector. The Council shall recommend ways to ensure that the United States remains the preeminent destination for investment in manufacturing throughout the world.

The Council shall report to the Secretary on its activities and recommendations regarding United States manufacturing. In creating the reports, the Council should: survey and evaluate the manufacturing activities of the stakeholders represented by the membership; identify and examine specific problems facing the manufacturing industry; examine the needs of the industry to inform the Council's efforts; and recommend specific solutions to these problems and needs.

The Council functions solely as an advisory committee in accordance with the provisions of FACA.

Members will be selected in accordance with applicable Department of Commerce guidelines based on each individual's ability to advise the Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to the U.S. manufacturing sector, to act as a liaison among the stakeholders represented by the membership, and to represent the viewpoint of those stakeholders on current and emerging issues in the manufacturing sector. In assessing this ability, the Department will consider such factors as, but not limited to, the candidate's proven experience in promoting, developing and marketing programs in support of manufacturing industries, job creation in the manufacturing sector, and the candidate's proven abilities to manage manufacturing organizations. Given the duties and objectives of the Council, the

Department particularly seeks applicants who are active manufacturing executives (Chief Executive Officer, President, or a comparable level of responsibility) who are leaders within their local manufacturing communities and industry sectors. The Council's membership shall reflect the diversity of American manufacturing by representing a balanced cross-section of the U.S. manufacturing industry in terms of industry sectors, geographic locations, demographics, and company size, particularly seeking the representation of small- and medium-sized enterprises.

The Secretary of Commerce appoints all Council members. All Council members serve at the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce. Council members shall serve in a representative capacity, representing the views and interests of a U.S. entity in the manufacturing industry and its particular sector. For the purposes of eligibility, a U.S. entity is defined as a firm incorporated in the United States (or an unincorporated firm with its principal place of business in the United States) that is (a) majority controlled (more than 50% ownership interest and/or voting stock) by U.S. citizens or by another U.S. entity or (b) majority controlled (more than 50% ownership interest and/or voting stock) directly or indirectly by a foreign parent company.

Because Council members serve in a representative capacity, expressing the views and interests of a U.S. entity, they are therefore not Special Government Employees. Council members receive no compensation for their participation in Council activities. Members participating in Council meetings and events are responsible for their travel, living and other personal expenses. Meetings are held regularly and not less than annually, usually in Washington, DC. Members are required to attend a majority of the Council's meetings.

To be considered for membership, an applicant must provide the following information, statements and documents. Incomplete applications cannot be considered.

1. Name and title of the individual requesting consideration.
2. A sponsor letter from the applicant on his or her entity's letterhead containing a brief statement of why the applicant should be considered for membership on the Council. This sponsor letter should also address the applicant's manufacturing-related experience, including any manufacturing trade policy experience.
3. The applicant's personal resume.

4. An affirmative statement that the applicant meets all eligibility criteria.

5. An affirmative statement that the applicant is not required to register as a foreign agent under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended.

6. Information regarding the ownership and control of the entity to be represented, including the governing structure and stock holdings, as appropriate, demonstrating compliance with the criteria set forth above.

7. The entity's size, place of incorporation or principal place of business, additional manufacturing, innovation and R&D locations, product line, major markets in which the entity operates, and the entity's exporting experience.

8. Information on the challenges the entity faces in staying competitive as a U.S. manufacturer, and the priorities the entity would hope to see the Council address during the term.

9. All relevant contact information, including mailing address, fax, email, phone number, and support staff information where relevant.

Dated: September 4, 2014.

Jennifer Pilat,

Office of Advisory Committees and Industry Outreach.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS®) Advisory Committee

AGENCY: National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the U. S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS®) Advisory Committee (Committee) in Duluth, MN.

Dates and Times: The meeting will be held on Thursday, October 2, 2014, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. and on Friday, October 3, 2014, from 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m. These times and the agenda topics described below are subject to change. Refer to the Web page listed below for the most up-to-date meeting agenda.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Large Lakes Observatory, University of Minnesota Duluth, 10 University Drive 206 RLB Duluth, MN 55812-2496.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jessica Snowden, Alternate Designated Federal Official, U.S. IOOS Advisory

Committee, U.S. IOOS Program, 1100 Wayne Ave. Suite 1225, Silver Spring, MD 20910; Phone 301-427-2453; Fax 301-427-2073; Email jessica.snowden@noaa.gov or visit the U.S. IOOS Advisory Committee Web site at <http://www.ioos.noaa.gov/advisorycommittee>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established by the NOAA Administrator as directed by Section 12304 of the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act, part of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-11). The Committee advises the NOAA Administrator and the Interagency Ocean Observation Committee (IOOC) on matters related to the responsibilities and authorities set forth in section 12302 of the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009 and other appropriate matters as the Under Secretary refers to the Committee for review and advice.

The Committee will provide advice on:

- (a) Administration, operation, management, and maintenance of the System;
- (b) expansion and periodic modernization and upgrade of technology components of the System;
- (c) identification of end-user communities, their needs for information provided by the System, and the System's effectiveness in dissemination information to end-user communities and to the general public; and
- (d) any other purpose identified by the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere or the Interagency Ocean Observation Committee.

The meeting will be open to public participation with a 15-minute public comment period on October 2, 2014, from 3:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on October 3, 2014, from 2:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. (Check agenda on Web site to confirm time.) The Committee expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of three (3) minutes. Written comments should be received by the Alternate Designated Federal Official by September 19, 2014 to provide sufficient time for Committee review. Written comments received after September 19, 2014 will be distributed to the Committee, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Matters To Be Considered: The meeting will focus on two strategic themes: finalizing the guiding principles for the business model for U.S. IOOS and beginning a dialog on the next set of recommendations. The agenda is subject to change. The latest version will be posted at <http://www.ioos.gov/advisorycommittee>.

Special Accommodations: These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Jessica Snowden, Alternate Designated Federal Official at 301-427-2453 by September 15, 2014.

Dated: September 2, 2014.

Donna Rivelli,

NOAA National Ocean Service, Deputy, Chief Financial Officer.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected costs and burden.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 10, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted to OMB within 30 days of the notice's publication. Comments, identified by "Whistleblower Provision and Updated Form TCR (OMB Control No. 3038-0082)," should be mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Comments may be also be submitted, regarding the burden estimated or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, identified by "Whistleblower Provision and Updated Form TCR (OMB Control No. 3038-0082)," by any of the following methods:

- Agency Web site, via its Comments Online process: [\[comments.cftc.gov\]\(http://comments.cftc.gov\). Follow the instructions for submitting comments through the Web site.](http://

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- Mail: Send to Christopher J. Kirkpatrick, Secretary of the Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street NW., Washington, DC 20581.

- Hand Delivery/Courier: Same as Mail, above.

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov/search/index.jsp>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

All comments must be submitted in English, or if not, accompanied by an English translation. Comments will be posted as received to <http://www.cftc.gov>. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. If you wish the Commission to consider information that is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, a petition for confidential treatment of the exempt information may be submitted according to the procedures set forth in section 145.9 of the Commission's regulations.¹

The Commission reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, redact, refuse or remove any or all of your submission from www.cftc.gov that it may deem to be inappropriate for publication, such as obscene language. All submissions that have been redacted or removed that contain comments on the merits of the rulemaking will be retained in the public comment file and will be considered as required under the Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws, and may be accessible under the Freedom of Information Act.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eduardo Martinez, Attorney, Whistleblower Office, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (202) 418-5979; email: emartinez@cftc.gov, and refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0082. This contact can also provide a copy of the ICR.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: "Whistleblower Provision and Updated Form TCR," (OMB Control No. 3038-0082). This is a request for extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: 17 CFR 165.3(a) requires the submission of information to the Commission on a Form TCR. The Form TCR, titled "Tip, Complaint, or Referral," and the instructions thereto, are designed to capture basic identifying information about a complainant and elicit sufficient information to determine whether the conduct alleged

¹ Commission regulations referred to herein are found at 17 CFR Ch. I (2014).