

guarantees may be issued that are not filed with the Commission.

Accordingly, staff has estimated the number of firms upwards to account for those guaranties. Staff estimated the burden hours based on an estimate of the time for each firm to conduct testing, issue guaranties, and to establish and maintain associated records.

- **Burden Hours per Firm**—An estimated 5 hours for testing per firm, using either the test and conditioning procedures in the regulations or alternate methods. Although many firms are exempt from testing to support guaranties under 16 CFR 1610.1(d), CPSC staff does not know the proportion of those firms that are testing vs. those that are exempt. Thus, staff has included testing for all firms in the burden estimates.

- **Guaranties Issued per Firm**—On average, 20 new guaranties are issued per firm per year for new fabrics or garments.

- **Estimated Annual Testing Time per Firm**—100 hours per firm (5 hours for testing × 20 guaranties issued = 100 hours per firm).

- **Estimated Annual Recordkeeping per Firm**—1 hour to create, record, and enter test data into a computerized dataset; 20 minutes (= 0.3 hours) for annual review/removal of records; 20 minutes (= 0.3 hours) to respond to one CPSC records request per year; for a total of 1.6 recordkeeping hours per firm (1 hour + .3 hours + .3 hours = 1.6 hours per firm).

- **Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours per Firm**—100 hours estimated annual testing time per firm + 1.6 estimated annual recordkeeping hours per firm = 101.6 hours per firm.

- **Total Estimated Annual Industry Burden Hours**—101.6 hours per firm × 1,000 firms issuing guaranties = 101,600 industry burden hours. The total annual industry burden imposed by the flammability standards for clothing textiles and vinyl plastic film and enforcement regulations on manufacturers and importers of garments, fabrics, and related materials is estimated to be about 101,600 hours (101.6 hours per firm × 1,000 firms).

- **Total Annual Industry Cost**—The hourly wage for the testing and recordkeeping required by the standards is approximately \$66.19 (for management, professional, and related occupations in goods-producing industries, Bureau of Labor Statistics, June 2016), for an estimated annual cost to the industry of approximately \$6.7 million (101,600 × \$66.19 = \$6,724,904).

C. Request for Comments

The Commission solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed collection of information. The Commission specifically solicits information relevant to the following topics:

- Whether the collection of information described above is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions, including whether the information would have practical utility;
- Whether the estimated burden of the proposed collection of information is accurate;
- Whether the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected could be enhanced; and
- Whether the burden imposed by the collection of information could be minimized by use of automated, electronic or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology.

Dated: January 18, 2017.

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Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Application for New Awards; Expanding Opportunity Through Quality Charter Schools Program (CSP)—Grants to Charter Management Organizations for the Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools

Correction

In notice document 2017-00748, appearing on pages 4322 through 4332 in the issue of Friday, January 13, 2017, make the following corrections:

1. On page 4326, in the second column, in the seventh paragraph, beginning on the second line, “[INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE **Federal Register**]” should read, “January 13, 2017.”

2. On the same page, in the third column, in the sixth paragraph, beginning on the second line, “[INSERT DATE 105 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE **Federal Register**]” should read, “April 28, 2017.”

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Request for Information (RFI) on Fostering Energy Innovation Ecosystems

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary for Science and Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Request for Information (RFI).

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on this Request for Information (RFI) regarding regional innovation ecosystems and regional cooperation. The purpose of this RFI is to support a public discussion about how to create and foster regional and local “innovation ecosystems,” specifically for energy technologies and energy use. DOE is establishing through this RFI a temporary public “ideation” tool to serve as a resource of ideas for individuals and organizations interested in promoting regional innovation ecosystems.

DATES: Written comments and information are requested on or before February 28, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should submit their comments using the IdeaBuzz.com platform at: <https://ideabuzz.com/a/buzz/challenge/19113/ideas/top>. Rules and guidelines for the Web-based tool can be found there, along with background information, the suggested topics included in this RFI, and opportunities to post ideas and to review, comment on, and “vote for” ideas submitted by other people.

The public can view the submitted ideas and comments without creating a user-name on the IdeaBuzz platform, but IdeaBuzz does require users to register a user-name in order to participate (submit ideas, comment, and “vote”). DOE employees may not submit comments via this platform. DOE will not respond to individual submissions and may or may not publish a compendium of responses.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- I. Background
- II. Purpose
- III. Request for Information Suggested Topics
- IV. Confidential Information

I. Background

DOE is interested in understanding and fostering self-sustaining local and