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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Cecelia L. Davis, Procurement Analyst, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, at 202-219-0202 or email cecelia.davis@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) provision 52.204-20, Predecessor of Offeror, requires each offeror to identify if the offeror is, within the last three years, a successor to another entity that received a Federal Government award and, if so, to provide the Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code and legal name of the predecessor. The information on predecessors is used to identify such entities in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIS) to allow retrieval of integrity and performance data on the most recent predecessor of an apparent successful offeror to whom award is anticipated. FAR 9.104-6 requires contracting officers to consult FAPIS before awarding a contract in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold. The information on predecessors is collected on an annual basis for inclusion in the annual representations and certifications in the System for Award Management (SAM) for offerors required to register in SAM. Offerors not required to register in SAM but required to provide the information in the provision at FAR 52.204-20 will do so as specified in the solicitation or instructed by the contracting officer.

B. Public Comment

A 60 day notice was published in the **Federal Register** at 83 FR 47342, on September 19, 2018. One comment was received; however, it did not change the estimate of the burden. The commenter supports the information collection requirement as an important step in bringing greater transparency and efficiency to the federal acquisition process.

Comment: The commenter is concerned that offerors are not complying with the information collection requirement and they must be held accountable for their representations and certifications. The commenter suggested that to do so, the government should periodically audit

vendor-entered FAPIS and SAM data quality and address non-compliance through a system of sanctions ranging from warning letters to monetary fines, or through the suspension and debarment process. The commenter also suggested expanding the information collection requirement to include the names of key individuals associated with the offeror company and any past relationships they had with entities that received contracts or grants.

Response: This comment is out of scope because the suggestions made by the commenter would require additional rulemaking. They did not express an opinion on whether the stated number of burden hours is accurate for what they believe to be the actual number of hours an offeror expends to comply with the provision.

C. Annual Reporting Burden

The burden to provide the information required by the FAR provision at 52.204-20 when an offeror is registered in SAM is already covered by OMB Control Number 9000-0159, System for Award Management Registration (SAM). OMB Control Number 9000-0189 now will cover the burden for providing the required information when the offeror is not required to register in SAM in accordance with the exceptions in FAR 4.1102(a). The Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS) for FY 2017 was used to develop the estimated burden hours as shown below:

Respondents: 974.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Total Annual Responses: 974.

Hours per Response: 0.1.

Total Burden Hours: 97.4.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Obtaining Copies: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202-501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0189, Identification of Predecessors, in all correspondence.

Dated: November 27, 2018.

Janet Fry,

*Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division,
Office of Governmentwide Acquisition Policy,
Office of Acquisition Policy, Office of
Governmentwide Policy.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

**GENERAL SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION**

**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND
SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0035; Docket No. 2018-0003; Sequence No. 7]

**Submission for OMB Review; Claims
and Appeals**

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Regulatory Secretariat Division will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a previously approved information collection requirement regarding claims and appeals.

DATES: Submit comments on or before January 2, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for GSA, Room 10236, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503. Additionally submit a copy to GSA by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* This website provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions on the site.

- *Mail:* General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405. ATTN: Ms. Mandell/IC 9000-0035, Claims and Appeals.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000-0035, Claims and Appeals, in all correspondence related to this collection. Comments received generally will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check www.regulations.gov, approximately two to three days after submission to verify posting (except allow 30 days for posting of comments submitted by mail).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Zenaida Delgado, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA, 202-969-7207 or via email zenaida.delgado@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

It is the Government's policy to try to resolve all contractual issues by mutual agreement at the contracting officer's level without litigation. Reasonable efforts should be made to resolve controversies prior to submission of a contractor's claim. The Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (41 U.S.C. 7103) requires that claims exceeding \$100,000 must be accompanied by a certification that (1) the claim is made in good faith; (2) supporting data are accurate and complete; and (3) the amount requested accurately reflects the contract adjustment for which the contractor believes the Government is liable. The information, as required by FAR clause 52.233-1, Disputes, is used by a contracting officer to decide or resolve the claim. Contractors may appeal the contracting officer's decision by submitting written appeals to the appropriate officials.

B. Public Comment

A 60-day notice published in the **Federal Register** at 83 FR 44052, on August 29, 2018. No comments were received.

C. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 4,500.

Responses per Respondent: 3.

Annual Responses: 13,500.

Hours per Response: 1.

Total Burden Hours: 13,500.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals:

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202-501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0035, Claims and Appeals, in all correspondence.

Dated: November 28, 2018.

Janet Fry,

Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, Office of Governmentwide Acquisition Policy, Office of Acquisition Policy, Office of Governmentwide Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice

AGENCY: Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA), The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HHS is hereby giving notice that the charter for the National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice (NACNEP) has been renewed. The effective date of the renewed charter is November 30, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tracy Gray, MBA, MS, RN, Designated Federal Official, NACNEP, HRSA, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857. Phone: 301-443-3346; email: tgray1@hrsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary of HHS (Secretary), and by delegation, the Administrator of HRSA, are charged under Title VIII of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, with responsibility for a wide range of activities in support of nursing education and practice which include: Enhancement of the composition of the nursing workforce, improvement of the distribution and utilization of nurses to meet the health needs of the nation, expansion of the knowledge, skills, and capabilities of nurses to enhance the quality of nursing practice, development and dissemination of improved models of organization, financing and delivery of nursing services and promotion of interdisciplinary approaches to the delivery of health services, particularly in the context of public health and primary care.

NACNEP advises the Secretary and Congress on policy issues related to Title VIII programs administered by HRSA's Bureau of Health Workforce. Title VIII programs include, but are not limited to, issues relating to nurse workforce supply, education, and practice improvement. Meetings are held not less than twice a year. Renewal of the NACNEP charter authorizes the Council to operate until November 30, 2020.

A copy of the NACNEP charter is available on the NACNEP website at: <http://www.hrsa.gov/advisorycommittees/bhpradvisory/nacnep/index.html>. A copy of the charter also can be obtained by accessing the FACA database that is maintained by the Committee

Management Secretariat under the General Services Administration. The website address for the FACA database is <http://www.facadatabase.gov/>.

Amy P. McNulty,

Acting Director, Division of the Executive Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Agency Information Collection Request; 60-Day Public Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirement of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary (OS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of a proposed collection for public comment.

DATES: Comments on the ICR must be received on or before February 1, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments to Sherrette.Funn@hhs.gov or by calling (202) 795-7714.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: When submitting comments or requesting information, please include the document identifier 0990-0275-60D, and project title for reference, to Sherrette Funn, the Reports Clearance Officer, Sherrette.funn@hhs.gov, or call 202-795-7714.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Title of the Collection: Implementation of an Electronic Spreadsheet-Based Uniform Data Set for OMH-funded Activities.

Type of Collection: Revision.
OMB No.: 0990-0275; Office of the Secretary, Office of Minority Health.

Abstract: The Office of Minority Health is seeking an approval on a