

II. Notice of Public Hearing

The Subcommittee will hold a hearing at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 27, 2019, to receive testimony related to sub-Saharan African countries' eligibility for AGOA benefits. The hearing will be held in Rooms 1 and 2, 1724 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20508, and will be open to the public and to the press. USTR will make a transcript of the hearing available on www.regulations.gov approximately two weeks after the hearing date.

USTR must receive your written requests to present oral testimony at the hearing and pre-hearing briefs, statements, or comments by noon on Wednesday, August 14, 2019. You must make the intent to testify notification in the "type comment" field under docket number USTR-2019-0006 on the www.regulations.gov website and you should include the name, address, telephone number and email address, if available, of the person presenting the testimony. You should attach a summary of the testimony by using the "upload file" field. The name of the file also should include who will be presenting the testimony. Remarks at the hearing will be limited to no more than five minutes to allow for questions from the Subcommittee. You should submit all documents in accordance with the instructions in section III below.

III. Requirements for Submissions

You must submit requests to testify, written comments, and pre-hearing and post-hearing briefs by the applicable deadlines set forth in this notice. You must make all submissions in English via <http://www.regulations.gov>, using Docket Number USTR-2019-0006. USTR will not accept hand-delivered submissions. To make a submission using <http://www.regulations.gov>, enter the appropriate docket number in the 'search for' field on the home page and click 'search.' The site will provide a search-results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this notice by selecting 'notice' under 'document type' in the 'filter results by' section on the left side of the screen and click on the link entitled 'comment now.' The [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) website offers the option of providing comments by filling in a 'type comment' field or by attaching a document using the 'upload file(s)' field. The Subcommittee prefers that you provide submissions in an attached document and note 'see attached' in the 'type comment' field on the online submission form. At the beginning of the submission, or on the first page (if

an attachment) include the following text (in bold and underlined): (1) "2019 AGOA Eligibility Review"; (2) the relevant country or countries; and (3) whether the document is a 'written comment', 'notice of intent to testify,' 'pre-hearing brief,' or 'post-hearing brief.' Submissions should not exceed thirty single-spaced, standard letter-size pages in twelve-point type, including attachments. Include any data attachments to the submission in the same file as the submission itself, and not as separate files.

You will receive a tracking number upon completion of the submission procedure at <http://www.regulations.gov>. The tracking number is confirmation that www.regulations.gov received the submission. Keep the confirmation for your records. USTR is not able to provide technical assistance for the website. USTR may not consider documents you do not submit in accordance with these instructions. If you are unable to provide submissions as requested, please contact Alan Treat, Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Africa, at (202) 395-9514, to arrange for an alternative method of transmission. General information concerning USTR is available at www.ustr.gov.

IV. Business Confidential Submissions

If you ask USTR to treat information you submitted as business confidential information (BCI), you must certify that the information is business confidential and you would not customarily release it to the public. You must clearly designate BCI by marking the submission "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" at the top and bottom of the cover page and each succeeding page, and indicating, via brackets, the specific information that is BCI. Additionally, you must include 'Business Confidential' in the 'type comment' field. For any submission containing BCI, you must separately submit a non-confidential version, *i.e.*, not as part of the same submission with the confidential version, indicating where BCI has been redacted. USTR will post the non-confidential version in the docket and it will be open to public inspection.

V. Public Viewing of Review Submissions

USTR will make public versions of all documents relating to these reviews available for public viewing pursuant to 15 CFR 2017.4, in Docket Number USTR-2019-0006 at <http://www.regulations.gov> upon completion of processing, usually within two weeks

of the relevant due date or date of the submission.

VI. Petitions

At any time, any interested party may submit a petition to USTR with respect to whether a beneficiary sub-Saharan African country is meeting the AGOA eligibility requirements. An interested party may file a petition through www.regulations.gov, under docket number USTR-2019-0006.

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*Chair of the Trade Policy Staff Committee,
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA-2019-0269]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: FAA Acquisition Management System (FAAAMS)

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on April 8, 2019. This collection involves the FAA Acquisition Management System (FAAAMS) and information collected in response to notices regarding FAA acquisitions. The information to be collected is necessary to solicit, award, and administer contracts for supplies, equipment, services, facilities, and real property to fulfill the FAA's mission. This notice revises the background based on three overall acquisition areas with applicable forms under each, and updates the figures for "Respondents" and "Estimated Total Annual Burden" below based on a revised assessment of the contractual workload.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by July 29, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to

the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the attention of the Desk Officer, Department of Transportation/FAA, and sent via electronic mail to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov, or faxed to (202) 395-6974, or mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tim Eckert by email at: Tim.Eckert@faa.gov or by phone at 202-267-7527.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for FAA's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for FAA to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2120-0595.

Title: FAA Acquisition Management System (FAAAMS).

Form Numbers: Please see https://fast.faa.gov/Procurement_Forms.cfm for all forms.

Type of Review: Renewal of an information collection.

Background: The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on April 8, 2019 (84 FR 13987). No comments were received in response to this Notice. The FAAAMS establishes policies and internal procedures for FAA acquisition. Section 348 of Public Law 104-50 directed FAA to establish an acquisition system. The information collection is carried out as an integral part of FAA's acquisition process. Various portions of the AMS describe information needed from vendors seeking or already doing business with FAA. Our contracting offices collect the information to plan, solicit, award, administer and close individual contracts. Our small business office collects information to promote and increase small business participation in FAA contracts. AMS requires information collection through forms in the following areas (specific information collected varies by the nature of each form):

IC-1 Market Surveys/Requests for Information—In the initial stage of a

procurement, these activities are used to identify products and services available to meet FAA needs, as well as to obtain vendor comments on draft requirements identified to satisfy an FAA need. The information obtained is important in determining the acquisition strategy in such areas as the evaluation criteria for competitive proposals or whether to set the procurement aside for a particular size of business.

Total Number of Form Responses per Year—8,572.

Average Burden Houses per Response—7.94.

Annual Burden Hours—68,044.

Forms:

Business Declaration—collect information on business size of prospective vendors.

SF-330 Architect-Engineer Qualifications—collect information from prospective architect-engineer firms on their qualifications.

Interested Parties Form—used to publicize information on prospective vendors for the purposes of subcontracting/teaming opportunities.

IC-2 Solicitations—In the next stage of a procurement, these activities are used to evaluate proposals with vendor-specific technical solutions, capabilities, and other qualifications such as subcontracting plans that may result in the award of a contract for a defined FAA need. The extent and nature of the information required from vendors varies depending on the nature of the goods and/or services procured, as well as the size and complexity of the FAA requirements.

Total Number of Form Responses per Year—28,798.

Average Burden Houses per Response—20.93.

Annual Burden Hours—602,732.

Forms:

SF-30—Amendment of Solicitation/Modification of Contract—communicate changes to FAA requirements to prospective vendors in amendments.

SF-252 Architect-Engineer Contract—award architect-engineer contracts.

SF-26—Award/Contract—award contracts.

DOT 4220.34 Contract Facilities Capital Cost of Money—vendors to provide complete information on facilities' capital cost of money in their cost proposals.

DOT 4220-34—Contract Pricing Summary—vendors to provide a complete summary of their costs in their cost proposal.

SF-18/33/1447—Request for Quotations/Solicitation, Offer, and Award/Solicitation/Contract—request contractor quotes/proposals.

SF-1442 Solicitation, Offer, and Award—vendor responses to

construction, alteration, or repair solicitations.

IC-3 Post-Award Contract Administration—Depending on the complexity and size of the contract, various activities are ongoing after contract award in areas such as bonds (e.g., for construction contracts), small business subcontracting (e.g., applying to large businesses), the tracking and management of Government Property, and invoicing. Contract modifications vary from routine administrative updates to major additions of work.

Total Number of Form Responses per Year—110,336.

Average Burden Houses per Response—2.36.

Annual Burden Hours—249,918.5.

Forms:

SF-30 Amendment of Solicitation/Modification of Contract—used for contract modifications of all kinds.

DOT 4220.4 Contractor's Release—contractor release of claims for a matter under the contract.

SF-1443—Contractor's Request for Progress Payments—contractor request for payment based on a percentage of total cost or stage of completion.

Electronic Funds Transfer Waiver Request—contractor request for exemption from electronic funds payment process.

SF-1428—Inventory Schedule B/Continuation Sheet—contractor inventory of Government Property.

DOT 4220.42 Material Inspection and Receiving Report—contractor invoice submittal.

SF-25A—Payment Bond—required for certain construction contracts as defined in the AMS.

SF-25—Performance Bond Annual—where a performance bond is appropriate for all covered contracts.

SF-1439—Schedule of Accounting Information—for contractor termination settlement proposal submittals.

SF-1443—Statement and Acknowledgment—in construction contracts for each subcontract awarded.

Respondents: Contractors with an interest in or involved with FAA Acquisitions: 9,240.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 6.2.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 921,739 (any differences from cumulative area information due to rounding).

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