### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS-2021-0014]

## **Sustainability and Climate-Related Disclosures**

**AGENCY:** Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Request for information.

**SUMMARY:** To facilitate implementation planning for Executive Orders, DoD would like to know the views of interested parties on sustainability initiatives including climate-related disclosures.

**DATES:** Interested parties should submit written comments to the address shown below on or before September 7, 2021, to be considered in the implementation planning.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to the questions provided below, using any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: https://www.regulations.gov. Search for "Docket Number DARS-2021-0014." Select "Comment" and follow the instructions to submit a comment. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "Docket Number DARS-2021-0014" on any attached document(s).
- Email: osd.dfars@mail.mil. Include
  "Sustainability and Climate-Related
  Disclosures" in the subject line of the message.
- Mail: Defense Acquisition
  Regulations System, Attn: Ms. Barbara J.
  Trujillo, OUSD(A&S)DPC/DARS, Room
  3B938, 3060 Defense Pentagon,
  Washington, DC 20301–3060.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to https://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check https://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. Barbara J. Trujillo, telephone 571–372–6102.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DoD is seeking public input on the following questions related to implementation of sustainability initiatives including Executive Order 14030, Climate-Related Financial Risk dated May 20, 2021.

#### A. Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions

- Does your organization measure and report Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions in line with the GHG Protocol Corporate Standard or equivalent? If not the GHG Protocol, which standard(s) are used?
- Does your organization currently report Scope 3 GHG emissions? If so, which Scope 3 categories are reported and which methodologies and/or standards are used?
- Does your organization publicly report your GHG results either through a third-party organization or as part of an external corporate sustainability report?
- Does your organization disclose its GHG emissions inventory on an annual basis? If so, where or by what platform?
- Does your organization set and disclose targets for GHG emissions reduction and/or science-based targets? If so, are these targets reviewed or verified by a third party?
- Does your organization report climate risk-related information as part of your standard financial reporting disclosures?
- Would your organization be willing to participate in a pilot program involving voluntary disclosure of actual GHG emissions and GHG emission targets?

# B. Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG)—General

- Does your organization participate in ESG reporting? If so, which sustainability standards or platforms does your organization use (e.g., Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP), Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi), Supplier Ethical Data Exchange (SEDEX))?
- What is the role of third-party verification in your ESG activities?
- Does your organization's ESGrelated reporting include accounting for and addressing disparate impacts on disadvantaged communities and communities of color?
- Does your organization's ESGrelated reporting include creation of jobs associated with the shift away from carbon-intensive energy sources?

# C. Supply Chain GHG and Risk Management

- Does your organization have the ability to provide customers with GHG emissions information specific to their purchases or contracts? If so, at what level can your organization provide this information (e.g., by customer on an annual basis, contract, item)?
- Does your organization collect GHG emissions information from your

suppliers? If so, what systems, standards, or instruments are used to collect this information? If so, how is this information used?

• Do you require your suppliers to set GHG emissions reduction targets or related targets (*e.g.*, energy efficiency, clean electricity)?

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## Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD-2021-OS-0057]

## Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary (OSD), Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice of a modified system of records.

**SUMMARY:** The OSD is modifying a system of records, originally titled "Spouse Education and Career Opportunities (SECO) Program, DPR 46," to rename it "Military Spouse **Education and Career Opportunities** (SECO) and Career Advancement Account Scholarship (MyCAA) Programs," DPR 46, and make other changes. This system of records is being modified to include records of the Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts Scholarship Program. The SECO and MyCAA Programs make resources and tools available to help military spouses with career exploration and discovery, career education and training, employment readiness, and career connections at any point within the military spouse's career.

**DATES:** This system of records is effective upon publication; however, comments on the Routine Uses will be accepted on or before August 9, 2021. The Routine Uses are effective at the close of the comment period.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

\* Federal Rulemaking Portal: https:// www.regulations.gov.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

\* Mail: DoD cannot receive written comments at this time due to the COVID–19 pandemic. Comments should be sent electronically to the docket listed above.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and