

participation must be voluntary. Notionally, the participant must be performing under a new sole-source, noncommercial, definitized contract or order. The progress payment rate for small entities has been temporarily increased to 95 percent, which is 5 percentage points higher than the maximum incentive rate eligible to be earned under the authority of section 874. Therefore, the pilot program will be open only to other than small entities.

For inclusion in the pilot program, DoD is planning to require contract actions to be nominated by the cognizant contracting officer and approved by the Director, Price, Cost and Finance, Defense Pricing, Contracting, and Acquisition Policy during the preaward phase of the acquisition, since the extent of contract financing provided by the Government is required to be a consideration in price negotiations after contract award. It is also anticipated that the nominated contract or order must have a performance period of no more than three years to ensure that all performance, including options and potential new work, will be completed before the pilot program's sunset date.

DoD anticipates requiring that the bill of material, excluding material from affiliated concerns and indirect costs, will constitute at least 25 percent of the nominated contract or order's estimated value to ensure the incentive benefits the supply chain and to assess the efficacy of using an increased progress payment rate as an incentive.

To optimize pilot program participation and to collect insights from multiple sources, DoD plans to approve only one contract per parent entity (including all divisions, business segments, subsidiaries, etc.).

2. Incentive Criteria

DoD anticipates structuring the progress payment incentive as follows, with a focus on incentivizing payment time to the supply base:

a. The maximum incentive (a progress payment rate of 90 percent in lieu of the customary 80 percent rate for large businesses) may be earned if more than 95 percent of the cumulative invoice dollars have been or will be paid within 20 calendar days of receipt of subcontract invoices.

b. A progress payment rate of 85 percent may be earned if more than 85 percent but less than or equal to 95 percent of the cumulative invoice dollars have been or will be paid within 20 calendar days of receipt of subcontract invoices.

c. If 85 percent or less of the cumulative invoice dollars have been or

will be paid within 20 calendar days of receipt of subcontract invoices, no incentive is earned, and the customary large business progress payment rate of 80 percent will be used.

d. DoD plans to reassess the progress payment rate with each contractor request for progress payment, based on the reported payment time for cumulative subcontract invoice dollars. If the contractor's performance against the incentive criterion merits an increase or decrease to the progress payment rate currently on contract, it is anticipated that the rate will be changed by a unilateral contract modification.

e. If the progress payment rate on the contract is decreased based on the contractor's cumulative performance against the incentive criterion, this may result in an overpayment status. For purposes of overpayments arising in this manner, the expectation is not to issue a demand for repayment, but to withhold additional progress payments until either—

(1) The progress payment rate is increased as a result of the contractor's performance against the incentive criterion; or

(2) The incurred cost increases to the point that the total incurred cost multiplied by the current progress payment rate is greater than the amount of progress payments already paid to the contractor.

3. Supporting Documentation Concept

DoD plans to measure contractor performance against incentive criteria through the use of a Government-provided spreadsheet, which the PPIP participant will submit as an attachment to each SF 1443, Contractor's Request for Progress Payment. It is envisioned that the completed spreadsheet will list each subcontract delivery invoice reflected in the incurred cost claimed in the progress payment request and include the following information at a minimum:

- Subcontractor, supplier, or vendor name;
 - Subcontract or purchase order number; part number; description of part or service;
 - Subcontract invoice number and any tracking number affixed by the prime;
 - Subcontract invoice date;
 - Subcontract invoice amount;
 - Actual or anticipated date of invoice payment;
 - Amount of payment;
 - Calculated payment time (date of payment minus date of invoice) for the invoice; and
 - Any unpaid amount on the invoice.
- The spreadsheet will calculate the percentage of cumulative subcontract

invoice dollars paid within the established payment time criterion. It is planned that the PPIP participant will update and mark new and actual payment data with each progress payment request.

It is anticipated that the PPIP participant will be required to provide any additional documentation required by the contracting officer to support its claimed progress against incentive criteria. DoD plans for the Defense Contract Audit Agency to audit PPIP participants' claimed subcontract payment timing semi-annually.

Authority: DoD Instruction 5000.35, Defense Acquisition Regulations (DAR) System.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (OUSD(P&R)), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by January 29, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reginald Lucas, (571) 372-7574 or whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: User Testing of the Financial Readiness Website; OMB Control Number 0704-0657.

Type of Request: Revision.

FINRED User Testing Usability Screener

Number of Respondents: 142.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 142.
Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.
Annual Burden Hours: 36.

FINRED User Testing Usability Guide

Number of Respondents: 18.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 18.
Average Burden per Response: 90 minutes.
Annual Burden Hours: 27.

FINRED Card Sort/Navigation Screener

Number of Respondents: 200.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 200.
Average Burden per Response: 7.5 minutes.
Annual Burden Hours: 25.

FINRED Card Sort Study

Number of Respondents: 120.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 120.
Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.
Annual Burden Hours: 30.

Total

Annual Burden Hours: 118.
Number of Respondents: 480.
Annual Responses: 480.
Needs and Uses: The DoD Office of Financial Readiness Information (FINRED) is sponsoring a website usability study to collect opinions, ideas, and concerns from members of the military community on their level of satisfaction with the FINRED website content, layout, and navigation of financial resources. This study will be used only for research purposes and the results and recommendations will be anonymous when shared with government officials. The feedback and insights will be used to drive future improvements to the FINRED website. The purpose of the FINRED Card Sorting User Testing of the Financial Readiness website (User Testing/ Usability Study) is to provide key metrics to the Office of Financial Readiness to support DoD Instruction (DoDI) 1322.34 "Financial Readiness of Service Members". The User Testing/ Card Sorting Usability Study will provide results from the collection of opinions, ideas, and concerns from members of the military community on their level of satisfaction with the taxonomy and navigation of the FINRED website. Results will also provide a new taxonomy of the FINRED website, that will allow the Office of Financial

Readiness to adjust the layout and organization of the website to meet the needs and layout of what the users intend to find when on the website.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.
Frequency: On occasion.
Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.
DoD Clearance Officer: Mr. Reginald Lucas.

Dated: December 18, 2024.

Stephanie J. Bost,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary**

[Docket ID: DoD-2024-OS-0098]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency (ATSD(PCLT)), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by January 29, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Request for Individual Access and Consent for Disclosure to Records Protected Under the Privacy Act; DD Forms 3213 and 3214; OMB Control Number 0704-CASE.

Type of Request: New.
Number of Respondents: 30,000.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 30,000.
Average Burden per Response: 45 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 22,500.

Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement is necessary to allow an individual to request access to their records or to provide prior written consent authorizing disclosure of such records. The Creating Advanced Streamlined Electronic Services for Constituents Act of 2019 (CASES Act) was enacted to modernize and simplify the process by which individuals can request access to and consent to the disclosure of their personal records held by Federal agencies. This Act addresses the inefficiencies and inconsistencies that previously existed in obtaining written consent for information disclosure. Under the Privacy Act of 1974, individuals have the right to access their records and control the disclosure of their personal information. However, the traditional process of obtaining written consent was often cumbersome, requiring physical signatures and manual transmission of forms. This not only delayed the resolution of constituent inquiries but also created variability in how different Components within DoD handled these requests. The CASES Act mandates the use of electronic access and consent forms, which can be submitted digitally. By allowing digital submissions, the Act aims to streamline the process, reduce delays, and enhance the efficiency of government services.

Affected Public: Current and former DoD employees and their authorized dependents.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.
DoD Clearance Officer: Mr. Reginald Lucas.

Dated: December 18, 2024.

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Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Navy**

[Docket ID: USN-2024-HQ-0018]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 60-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the United States Marine Corps announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on