existing warranties comply with the Rule. Based on recent Census data, staff now estimates that there are 17,535 manufacturers covered by the Rule. This results in an annual burden estimate of approximately 140,280 hours (17,535 manufacturers × 8 hours of burden per year).

Total annual labor costs: $19,011,798.

Labor costs are derived by applying appropriate hourly cost figures to the burden hours described above. The work required to comply with the Warranty Rule—ensuring that new warranties and changes to existing warranties comply with the Rule—requires a mix of legal analysis (50%), legal support (paralegals) (25%) and clerical help (25%). Staff estimates that half of the total burden hours (70,140 hours) requires legal analysis at an average hourly wage of $250 for legal professionals,8 resulting in a labor cost of $17,535,000. Assuming that 25% of the total burden hours requires legal support at the average hourly wage of $25.19, and that the remaining 25% requires clerical work at an average hourly wage of $16.92; the resulting labor cost is approximately $1,154,893 ($883,413 for clerical workers). Thus, the total annual labor cost is approximately $19,011,797 ($17,535,000 for legal professionals + $883,413 for legal support + $593,384 for clerical workers).

Total annual capital or other non-labor costs: $0.

The Rule imposes no appreciable current capital or start-up costs. As stated above, warrantors have already modified their warranties to include the information the Rule requires. Rule compliance does not require the use of any capital goods, other than ordinary office equipment, which providers would already have available for general business use.

Request for Comments

You can file a comment online or on paper. Write “Warranty Rules: Paperwork Comment, FTC File No. P044403” on your comment. Your comment—including your name and your state—will be placed on the public record of this proceeding, including, to the extent practicable, on the public Commission Web site, at http://www.ftc.gov/os/publiccomments.shtm. As a matter of discretion, the Commission tries to remove individuals’ home contact information from comments before placing them on the Commission Web site.

Because your comment will be made public, you are solely responsible for making sure that your comment does not include any sensitive personal information, like anyone’s Social Security number, date of birth, driver’s license number or other state identification number or foreign country equivalent, passport number, financial account number, or credit or debit card number. You are also solely responsible for making sure that your comment does not include any sensitive health information, like medical records or other individually identifiable health information. In addition, do not include any “[t]rade secret or any commercial or financial information which is . . . privileged or confidential,” as discussed in section 6(f) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. 46(f), and FTC Rule 4.10(a)(2), 16 CFR 4.10(a)(2). In particular, do not include competitively sensitive information such as costs, sales statistics, inventories, formulas, patterns, devices, manufacturing processes, or customer names.

If you want the Commission to give your comment confidential treatment, you must file it in paper form, with a request for confidential treatment, and you have to follow the procedure explained in FTC Rule 4.9(c), 16 CFR 4.9(c). Your comment will be kept confidential only if the FTC General Counsel, in his or her sole discretion, grants your request in accordance with the law and the public interest.

Postal mail addressed to the Commission is subject to delay due to heightened security screening. As a result, the Commission encourages you to submit your comments online. To make sure that the Commission considers your online comment, you must file it at https://ftcpublic.commentworks.com/ftc/consumerwarrantypa, by following the instructions on the web-based form. If this Notice appears at http://www.regulations.gov, you also may file a comment through that Web site.

If you file your comment on paper, write “Warranty Rules: Paperwork Comment, FTC File No. P044403” on your comment and on the envelope, and mail or deliver it to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, Room H–113 (Annex J), 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20580. If possible, submit your paper comment to the Commission by courier or overnight service. Visit the Commission Web site at http://www.ftc.gov to read this Notice. The FTC Act and other laws that the Commission administers permit the collection of public comments to consider and use in this proceeding as appropriate. The Commission will consider all timely and responsive public comments that it receives on or before October 24, 2016. You can find more information, including routine uses permitted by the Privacy Act, in the Commission’s privacy policy, at http://www.ftc.gov/ftc/privacy.htm.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 3090–00XX; Docket No. 2016–0001; Sequence 11]

Information Collection; Alliant2 Greenhouse Gas Disclosure

AGENCY: Federal Acquisition Service (FAS), General Services Administration (GSA).

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding a new request for an OMB clearance.

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 a new information collection requirement regarding OMB Control No: 3090–00XX; Alliant2 Greenhouse Gas Disclosure.

DATES: Submit comments on or before October 24, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments identified by Information Collection 3090–00xx; Alliant2 Greenhouse Gas Disclosure by any of the following methods:

• Regulations.gov: http://www.regulations.gov. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching for “Information Collection 3090–00xx; Alliant2 Greenhouse Gas reporting”. Select the link “Submit a Comment” that corresponds with “Information Collection 3090–00xx; Alliant2 Greenhouse Gas Disclosure”. Follow the instructions provided at the “Submit a Comment” screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and “Information Collection 3090–00xx; Alliant2 Greenhouse Gas Disclosure” on your attached document.

• Mail: General Services Administration, U.S. General Services

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7 Because some manufacturers likely make products that are not priced above $15 or not intended for household use—and thus would not be subject to the Rule—this figure is likely an overstatement.

8 Staff has derived an hourly wage rate for legal professionals based upon industry knowledge. The wage rates for legal support workers and for clerical support used in this Notice are based on recent data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics National Compensation Survey.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 3090–00XX; Alliant2 Greenhouse Gas Disclosure, 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: Dana Arnold, Director, Federal Acquisition Service Office of Acquisition Management, Special Programs Branch at telephone 703–605–0534 or via email to dana.arnold@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

President Obama has made Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions reduction nationwide and in the Federal community a priority. The President’s Executive Order 13693, Planning for Federal Sustainability in the Next Decade, published in the Federal Register at 80 FR 15871, on March 25, 2015, requires the seven largest procuring agencies to implement procurements that take into consideration contractor GHG emissions and GHG management practices.

GSA has selected the Alliant2 Government-wide Acquisition Contract (GWAC) acquisition for inclusion of contractor GHG emissions disclosure requirements. Alliant, GSA’s premier enterprise GWAC, provides flexible access to customized IT solutions from a large, diverse pool of industry partners. Alliant2 offers both large and small contractors. It is GSA’s intent to require the large (unrestricted) Alliant2 contractors to inventory and publicly disclose their operational GHG emissions, set targets for reducing those emissions, and disclose progress toward meeting their targets. Of the current Alliant2 contractors, approximately 40 percent already publicly disclose their GHG emissions in response to requests from their non-government customers, investors, insurers, and corporate sustainability policies.

Public disclosure of GHG emissions and GHG reduction goals or targets has become standard practice in many industries, and companies are increasingly asking their own suppliers about their GHG management practices. More than 4,000 companies provided public disclosure through third-party organization CDP (formerly the Carbon Disclosure Project) in 2015. Performing a GHG inventory provides insight into operations and opportunities for energy and operational savings that can result in both environmental and financial benefits.

The Alliant2 GHG disclosure requirement will require the unrestricted (large and medium-sized) Alliant2 contractors to inventory, and publicly disclose their operational GHG emissions, set targets for reducing those emissions, and report progress toward meeting their targets. This will be an annual requirement.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 60.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Total Annual Responses: 60.
Hours per Response: 80.
Total Burden Hours: 4800.

C. Public Comments

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary, whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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. 3090–00XX, Alliant2 Greenhouse Gas Disclosure, in all correspondence.

Dated: August 18, 2016.

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