products, establishments may voluntarily choose to use the Nutrition Facts label format that FDA recently finalized (81 FR 33742 and 81 FR 34000). As long as the information on the labels is still truthful and not misleading, FSIS will not find noncompliance if companies use the FDA format. Because FDA’s new Nutrition Facts format is different than FSIS’s current regulations, and the new formatted labels that FSIS’s Labeling and Program Delivery Staff (LPDS) has reviewed so far contained errors and needed corrections, companies that wish to use FDA’s Nutrition Facts label format will need to submit at least one label sketch in that format to LPDS. A parent company for a corporation may submit only one label application for a product produced in other establishments that are owned by the corporation. Subsequent similar labels that use FDA’s Nutrition Facts format for other products can be generically approved. Submitting one label and receiving approval helps ensure the rest are applied in compliance with FDA’s regulations and may prevent additional problems in the future. FSIS believes that if only one label is submitted per corporation, LPDS’s review would not be a large burden to FSIS or industry and wouldn’t adversely affect the label review backlog. When FSIS publishes a final rule to update the Nutrition Facts label format for meat and poultry products, companies would have to comply with that final rule by the effective date and will no longer be able to use the FDA format if it is different from the FSIS format. FSIS is requesting comments on whether there are any issues or problems with allowing companies to voluntarily use FDA’s Nutrition Facts label format on meat and poultry products until FSIS issues a final rule that addresses nutrition labeling requirements.

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Additional Public Notification

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Dated: November 10, 2016.

Alfred V. Almanza,
Acting Administrator.
Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration, Department of Commerce, on September 30, 2016. Subsequently, a copy was furnished to the Library of Congress and filed with the following Committees of Congress: 

- Senate Committee on Appropriations;
- Senate Committee on Finance;
- Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation;
- Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs;
- House Committee on Appropriations; and
- House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Dated: November 8, 2016.

John H. Thompson,
Director, Bureau of the Census.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of the Census (U.S. Census Bureau) is giving notice of a meeting of the Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee (FESAC). The Committee will advise the Directors of the Economics and Statistics Administration’s (ESA) two statistical agencies, the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) and the Census Bureau, and the Commissioner of the U.S. Department of Labor’s Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics. Last minute changes to the agenda are possible, which could prevent giving advance public notice of schedule adjustments.

DATES: December 9, 2016. The meeting will begin at approximately 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Census Bureau Conference Center, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, MD 20746.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James R. Spletzer, Designated Federal Official, Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Research and Methodology Directorate, Room 5K019, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233, telephone 301–763–4069, email: james.r.spletzer@census.gov. For TTY callers, please call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1–800–877–8339 and give them the above listed number you would like to call. This service is free and confidential.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the FESAC are appointed by the Secretary of Commerce. The Committee advises the Directors of the BEA, the Census Bureau, and the Commissioner of the Department of Labor’s BLS, on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics. The Committee is established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2).

The meeting is open to the public, and a brief period is set aside for public comments and questions. Persons with extensive questions or statements must submit them in writing at least three days before the meeting to the Designated Federal Official named above. If you plan to attend the meeting, please register by Thursday, December 1, 2016. You may access the online registration form with the following link: https://www.regonline.com/fesac_dec2016_meeting. Seating is available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should also be directed to the Designated Federal Official as soon as known and preferably two weeks prior to the meeting.

Due to increased security and for access to the meeting, please call 301–763–9906 upon arrival at the Census Bureau on the day of the meeting. A photo ID must be presented in order to receive your visitor’s badge. Visitors are not allowed beyond the first floor.

Dated: November 9, 2016.

John H. Thompson,
Director, Bureau of the Census.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit 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 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau.
Title: Annual Capital Expenditures Survey.
OMB Control Number: 0607–0782.
Form Number(s): ACE–1(S), ACE–1(M), ACE–1(L), ACE–1(I), ACE–2, ACE–2(I).

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.
Number of Respondents: 75,035.
Average Hours per Response: 2.32 hours.

Burden Hours: 174,355.

Needs and Uses: A major concern of economic policymakers is the adequacy of investment in plant and equipment. Data on the amount of business expenditures for new plant and equipment and measures of the stock of existing facilities are critical to evaluating productivity growth, the ability of U.S. business to compete with foreign business, changes in industrial capacity, and overall economic performance. The ACES is the sole source of detailed comprehensive statistics on investment in buildings and other structures, machinery, and equipment by private nonfarm businesses in the United States.

Data users tell us that they need comprehensive and consistent data on investment by all private nonfarm businesses, by industry, by kind of investment, i.e., whether in new or used structures or equipment. The objectives of the ACES are:

(a) To provide estimates of capital expenditures for all private nonfarm sectors of the economy by 3-digit and selected 4-digit North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) levels;

(b) to base the survey on a probability sample that yields measures of the statistical reliability of the survey estimates;

(c) to develop a base survey to benchmark more frequent surveys on capital expenditures that do not have complete industry coverage;

(d) to produce annual enterprise-level data with the level of detail, coverage, and quality which previously was only available as part of the quinquennial economic census;

(e) to provide detail on capital expenditures for estimating the national income and product accounts, estimating the productivity of U.S. industries, evaluating fiscal and monetary policy, and conducting research using capital expenditures data; and

(f) to provide industry analysts with capital expenditures data for market analysis, economic forecasting, identifying business opportunities,