DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Government Performance and Results Act Data Collection

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Economic Development Administration (EDA or the Agency), Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on a proposed extension of an information collection request approved through November 30, 2017, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 17, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via email at PRAcomments@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Ksenia E. Shadrina, Program Analyst, Performance and National Programs Division, Room 71030, Economic Development Administration, Washington, DC 20230, or via email at kshadrina@eda.gov or telephone at (202) 482–2843.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The mission of EDA is to lead the federal economic development agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy. EDA accomplishes this mission by helping our partners across the nation, including states, regions, and communities create wealth and minimize poverty by promoting a favorable business environment to attract private capital investment and jobs through world-class capacity building, planning, infrastructure, research grants, and strategic initiatives. Further information on EDA’s program and grant opportunities can be found at www.eda.gov.

In order to effectively administer and monitor its economic development assistance programs, and to comply with the requirements of the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA; Pub. L. 103–62), EDA must collect specific data from its grant recipients to report on the Agency’s performance in meeting its stated goals and objectives. The purpose of this notice is to seek comments from the public and other Federal agencies on a request for an extension of EDA’s currently approved GPRA collection forms which are scheduled to expire on November 30, 2017.

II. Method of Collection

EDA collects performance data through a series of four program specific forms (information on EDA’s Public Works, Economic Adjustment Assistance, and Revolving Loan programs are collected via form ED–915; information from Economic Development Districts and Indian Tribes are collected via the ED–916; University Centers are required to report on the ED–917; and, Trade Adjustment Assistance Centers are required to fill out a ED–918) that ask respondents to report on items such as the number of jobs created and retained as well as the private investment generated per EDA investment. Respondents are required to submit the applicable form to the EDA Regional Office for compilation and transmission to EDA headquarters.

As a part of this renewal process, EDA plans to make minor clarifying edits to some of the questions on the ED–916, ED–917, and ED–918 and to the instruction sections of the ED–915, ED–916, and ED–917. None of these minor edits are expected to increase the time burden on the respondent nor do the modifications change the type or amount of collected information.

III. Data

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control Number: 0610–0098.

Form Number(s): ED–915, ED–916, ED–917, and ED–918.

Type of Review: Renewal of currently approved forms.

Affected Public: EDA-funded grantees: State, local and tribal governments; community organizations; not-for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,530.

Estimated Time per Response: 7 Hours 0 Minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 11,131 Hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: $113,220.

IV. Request for Comments

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and may be included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Sheleen Dumas,
Departmental PRA Lead, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C–570–054]

Certain Aluminum Foil From the People’s Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination of Countervailing Duty Investigation

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Background

On March 28, 2017, the Department of Commerce (Department) initiated a countervailing duty investigation (CVD) on certain aluminum foil from the People’s Republic of China. Currently, the preliminary determination of this investigation is due no later than June 1, 2017.

Postponement of Preliminary Determination

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 65 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation. However, if the petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement, section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act allows the Department to postpone making the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation.

On May 4, 2017, the petitioners 2 submitted a timely request pursuant to section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(e) to postpone the preliminary determination.3 For the reasons stated above and because there are no compelling reasons to deny the request, the Department, in accordance with section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act, is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determination to no later than 130 days after the day on which the investigation was initiated. Accordingly, the Department will issue the preliminary determination no later than August 5, 2017. However, because August 5, 2017, falls on a Saturday, the preliminary determination is now due no later than August 7, 2017.4 In accordance with section 705(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination of this investigation will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination, unless postponed at a later date.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

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2 The Aluminum Association Trade Enforcement Working Group and its individual members (collectively, the petitioners).


Ronald K. Lorentzen,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology (VCAT or Committee), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will meet in an open session on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time and Wednesday, June 14, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time. The VCAT is composed of not fewer than 9 members appointed by the NIST Director, a majority of whom are eminent in such fields as business, research, new product development, engineering, labor, education, management consulting, environment, and international relations.

DATES: The VCAT will meet on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time and Wednesday, June 14, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Portrait Room, Administration Building, at NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland, 20899. Please note admittance instructions under the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Serena Martinez, VCAT, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 1060, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899–1060, telephone number 301–975–2661. Mrs. Martinez’s email address is serena.martinez@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:


The purpose of this meeting is for the VCAT to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for NIST, its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress. The agenda will include an update on major programs at NIST, as well as presentations and discussions on safety and security at NIST. It will also include an update on three preparatory working groups; the Preparatory Work Group on Trade, the Preparatory Work Group on Innovation and Competitiveness through Fundamental Measurement Research and Development, and the Preparatory Work Group on Communications. The agenda will also include discussion on how NIST can prioritize its measurement science research and development efforts to maximize current impact and ensure continued impact in the years to come. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST Web site at http://www.nist.gov/director/vcat/agenda.cfm.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Committee’s affairs are invited to request a place on the agenda. On Wednesday, June 14, approximately one-half hour in the morning will be reserved for public comments and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be about 3 minutes each. The exact time for public comments will be included in the final agenda that will be posted on the NIST Web site at http://www.nist.gov/director/vcat/agenda.cfm. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to VCAT, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 1060, Gaithersburg, Maryland, 20899, via fax at 301–216–0529 or electronically by email to stephanie.shaw@nist.gov.

All visitors to the NIST site are required to pre-register to be admitted. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address and phone number to Serena Martinez by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Tuesday, June 6, 2017. Non-U.S. citizens must submit additional information: please contact Mrs. Martinez. Mrs. Martinez’s email address is serena.martinez@nist.gov and her phone number is 301–975–2661. For participants attending in person, please note that federal agencies, including NIST, can only accept a state-issued driver’s license or identification card for access to federal facilities if such license or identification card is issued by a state that is compliant with the REAL ID Act of 2005 (P.L. 109–13), or by a state that...