Deletions

On 5/18/2018 (83 FR 97) and 5/25/2018 (83 FR 102), the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices of proposed deletions from the Procurement List.

After consideration of the relevant matter presented, the Committee has determined that the products listed below are no longer suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 8501–8506 and 41 CFR 51–2.4.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.
2. The action may result in authorizing small entities to furnish the products to the Government.
3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O’Day Act (41 U.S.C. 8501–8506) in connection with the products deleted from the Procurement List.

End of Certification

Accordingly, the following products are deleted from the Procurement List:

Products

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):
MR 1188—MR Towel Set, Christmas, Includes Shipper 11188
MR 1189—Drying Mat, Microfiber, Holiday Themed
MR 1162—Apron, Father’s Day
MR 863—Lint Remover, Roller Type
MR 864—Refill, Lint Roller

Mandatory Source of Supply: Alphapointe, Kansas City, MO

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):
MR 318—Set, Mixing Bowl, Spill-Free, 3PC
MR 328—Silicone Mini Brush
MR 329—Silicone Mini Turner
MR 351—Containers, Storage, 20PG
MR 358—Serving Bowl, Patriotic, Plastic
MR 353—-Flexible, Thin, 11.5" x 12" x 4"

Mandatory Source of Supply: The Arkansas Lighthouse for the Blind, Little Rock, AR

Contracting Activity: General Services Administration, New York, NY

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):
7530–01–600–2030—Notebook, Stenographer’s, Biobased Bagasse Paper, 6 x 9", 80 sheets, Gregg Rule, White

Mandatory Source of Supply: The Arkansas Lighthouse for the Blind, Little Rock, AR

Contracting Activity: General Services Administration, New York, NY

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):
7510–01–545–3750—DAYMAX System, 2017, Calendar Pad, Type I

Mandatory Source of Supply: Anthony Wayne Rehabilitation Ctr for Handicapped and Blind, Inc., Fort Wayne, IN

Contracting Activity: General Services Administration, New York, NY

NSN(s)—Product Name(s): 6532–00–197–8201—Hood, Operating, Surgical, White

Mandatory Source of Supply: UNKNOWN

Contracting Activity: Department of Veterans Affairs, Strategic Acquisition Center

Amy Jensen,
Director, Business Operations.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

[Docket No. CPSC–2018–0002]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request—Survey on Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) announces that CPSC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), a new proposed collection of information by the agency on a survey that will estimate the use of smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms in United States households. In the Federal Register of March 20, 2018 (83 FR 12178), CPSC published a notice announcing the agency’s intent to seek approval of this collection of information. CPSC received several comments in response to that notice. After review and consideration of the comments, by publication of this notice, the Commission announces that CPSC has submitted to OMB a request for approval of this collection of information.

DATES: Written comments on this request for approval of information collection requirements should be submitted by August 1, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments about this request by email: OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov or fax: 202–395–6881.

Comments by mail should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the CPSC, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503. In addition, written comments that are sent to OMB also should be submitted electronically at http://www.regulations.gov, under Docket No. CPSC–2018–0002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Comments

On March 20, 2018, the CPSC published a notice in the Federal Register announcing the agency’s intent to seek approval of a new collection of information on a national in-home survey that will estimate the use and functionality of smoke and CO alarms in households, as well as user hazard perceptions regarding such alarms. (83 FR 12178). CPSC received three comments in response to that notice. Two commenters did not address the survey or any issues related to the survey, but instead, raised concerns about climate change. One commenter, the International Code Council (ICC), supported the information collection. The ICC stated that it promulgates residential and commercial building safety codes and that having reliable data to analyze the scope of use and effectiveness of the detection devices will improve public safety.
Accordingly, after consideration of these comments, CPSC will request approval from OMB for this collection of information.

B. Survey

CPSC has entered into a contract with Eureka Facts to conduct a national in-home survey that will estimate the use and functionality of smoke and CO alarms in households, as well as user hazard perceptions regarding such alarms. The information collected from this survey will provide CPSC updated national estimates regarding the use of smoke alarms and CO alarms in households, based on direct observation of alarm installations. The survey also will help CPSC identify the groups that do not have operable smoke alarms and/or CO alarms and the reasons they do not have such alarms. With this information, CPSC will be able to target its messaging better and improve consumer use and awareness regarding the operability of these alarms. In addition, the survey results will help to inform CPSC’s recommendations to voluntary standards groups and state/local jurisdictions regarding their codes, standards, and/or regulations on smoke and CO alarms.

The survey seeks to collect information from 1,185 households within the United States, with an initial group of 50 households that will be processed and analyzed to identify any issues regarding the survey instrument and data collection procedures. The survey will use a mixed-mode, multistage approach to data collection. The data will be collected through two modes: Face-to-face in-home interviews and telephone surveys. The survey instrument will be programmed on Vovici software and will be administered via in-home interviews using a Computer-Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI) format, or by telephone, using a Computer-Assisted Telephone Interview (CATI) format. Smoke alarms are more prevalent in homes than CO alarms are. Accordingly, during the screening process, if respondents indicate that they have a smoke alarm that may be tested directly, the respondents will be scheduled for an in-home interview for the full survey. However, if the smoke alarm cannot be tested directly because the household does not have a smoke alarm installed, or the smoke alarms are connected to a central alarm system that will notify the police or fire department, the respondent is not eligible for the in-home survey. Instead of the in-home survey, these households would be given a subset of survey questions about safety attitudes and demographics that would be collected over the telephone. For participants eligible for in-home interviews, a two-member survey team will ask household residents questions related to installed smoke and CO alarms. The survey team will then test residents’ smoke and CO alarms. If any of the alarms do not work, the survey team will offer to replace the alarms free of charge.

C. Burden Hours

The survey interview will take 20 to 60 minutes to conduct, depending on whether the survey is administered by telephone (about 20 minutes), or by an in-home interview (60 minutes). We estimate the number of survey respondents to be 1,185. We estimate the total annual burden hours for respondents to be 1,422 hours, based on the total time required to respond to the invitation, screener, and the actual survey. The monetized hourly cost is $35.64, as defined by the average total hourly cost to employers for employee compensation for employees across all occupations as of September 2017, reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Accordingly, we estimate the total annual cost burden to all respondents to be $50,680. (1,422 hours × $35.64 = $50,680.) The total cost to the federal government for the contract to design and conduct the survey is $721,773.

Alberta E. Mills,
Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting


ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Defense Science Board (DSB) will take place.

DATES: June 27, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; June 28, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Executive Conference Center, 4075 Wilson Boulevard, 3rd Floor, Arlington, VA 22203.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Defense Science Board Designated Federal Officer (DFO) Mr. Edward C. Gliot, (703) 571–0079 (Voice), (703) 697–1860 (Facsimile), edward.c.gliot.civ@mail.mil (Email). Mailing address is Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B888A, Washington, DC 20301–3140. Website: http://www.acq.osd.mil/dsb/. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C., Appendix), the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), and 41 CFR 102–3.140 and 102–3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: The mission of the DSB is to provide independent advice and technical enterprise. The objective of the meeting is to obtain, review, and evaluate classified information related to the DSB’s mission. The meeting will focus on DoD dependence on the U.S. electric power grid, homeland air defense, maritime situational awareness, threats and promise of biotechnology, countering autonomous systems, technical approaches to counter-intelligence, resilient positioning, navigation and timing, various undersea issues, gray zone conflict, resilience of the defense industrial base, and logistics.

Agenda: The 2018 Summer Study meeting will begin on Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. with opening remarks from Mr. Edward Gliot, DSB Executive Director, Dr. Craig Fields, DSB Chairman and Dr. Eric Evans, Vice Chairman. Following opening remarks, Defense Science Board members will hold classified small group discussions covering DoD dependence on the U.S. electric power grid, homeland air defense, maritime situational awareness, threats and promise of biotechnology, countering autonomous systems, technical approaches to counter-intelligence, resilient positioning, navigation and timing, various undersea issues, gray zone conflict, resilience of the defense industrial base, and logistics. After break, DSB members will hold a plenary session of classified discussion covering DoD dependence on the U.S. electric power grid, homeland air defense, maritime situational awareness, threats and promise of biotechnology, countering autonomous systems, technical approaches to counter-intelligence, resilient positioning, navigation and timing, various undersea issues, gray zone conflict, resilience of the defense industrial base, and logistics.

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