Propose ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
Propose ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments
A 60-day Notice requesting public comment was published in the Federal Register on July 19, 2017 at Vol. 82, No. 137, Page 33072. This comment period ended September 18, 2017. No public comments were received from this Notice.

Description: The Financial Management Survey collects information about the capacity of organizations to manage federal grant funds. Information from the survey is used to assess an organization’s structure and capacity-building needs and identify any appropriate technical assistance and/or resources to strengthen federal grant management and compliance operations. CNCS seeks to renew the current information collection. The information collection will otherwise be used in the same manner as the existing application.

CNCS also seeks to continue using the current application until the revised application is approved by OMB. The current application expired on September 30, 2017.

Type of Review: Renewal.
Agency: Corporation for National and Community Service.
Title: Financial Management Survey.
OMB Number: 3045–0102.
Agency Number: None.
Affected Public: Non-profit Organizations, State, Local and Tribal Governments that are first-time recipients of CNCS grant funds, or renewing their ability to receive CNCS grant funds.
Total Respondents: 200.
Frequency: Once.
Average Time per Response: Averages 2.00 hours.
Estimated Total Burden Hours: 400 hours.
Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): None.
Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): None.
Joseph Liciardello,
Acting Chief Grants Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary
[Transmittal No. 17–76]

Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Arms sales notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of an arms sales notification.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This 36(b)(1) arms sales notification is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104–164 dated July 21, 1996. The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 17–76 with attached Policy Justification and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: February 8, 2018.
Aaron Siegel,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.
DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY
201 12TH STREET SOUTH, STE 203
ARLINGTON, VA 22202-5408

The Honorable Paul D. Ryan
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 17-76, concerning the Navy’s proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Finland for defense articles and services estimated to cost $622 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Hooper
Lieutenant General, USA
Director

Enclosures:
1. Transmittal
2. Policy Justification
3. Sensitivity of Technology
The Government of Finland has requested a possible sale of one hundred (100) RGM–84Q–4 Harpoon Block II+ ER Grade B Surface-Launched Upgrade Kits, four (4) RTM–84L–4 Harpoon Block II Grade B Exercise Surface-Launched Missiles, and four (4) RTM–84Q–4 Harpoon Block II ER Grade B Exercise Surface-Launched Missiles. Also included are containers, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, technical assistance, engineering and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistical support. The estimated total case value is $622 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a partner nation that has been, and continues to be, an important force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

Finland intends to use the missiles on its Hamina class ships, Multirole Corvette ships, and Coastal Batteries. The missiles will provide enhanced capabilities in effective defense of critical sea lanes. The proposed sale of the missiles and support will increase the Finnish Navy’s maritime partnership potential and increase regional security capability. Finland has not purchased Harpoon Block II+ ER previously, but will have no difficulty incorporating this capability into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region. The principal contractor will be The Boeing Company, St. Louis, MO. The purchaser typically requests offsets. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require up to 21 U.S. Government personnel to travel to Finland providing support over a period of ten years. There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

Transmittal No. 17–76
Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Finland—RGM–84Q–4 Harpoon Block II+ ER Grade B Surface-Launched Missiles and RGM–84L–4 Harpoon Block II Grade B Surface-Launched Missiles

The Government of Finland has requested a possible sale of one hundred (100) RGM–84Q–4 Harpoon Block II Plus (+) Extended Range (ER) Grade B Surface-Launched Missiles, twelve (12) RGM–84L–4 Harpoon Block II Grade B Surface-Launched Missiles, twelve (12) RGM–84Q–4 Harpoon Block II+ ER Grade B Surface-Launched Upgrade Kits, four (4) RTM–84L–4 Harpoon Block II Grade B Exercise Surface-Launched Missiles, and four (4) RTM–84Q–4 Harpoon Block II ER Grade B Exercise Surface-Launched Missiles. Also included are containers, spare and repair parts, support and test equipment, publications and technical documentation, personnel training and training equipment, technical assistance, engineering and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistical support. The estimated total case value is $622 million.

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Annex

Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The RGM–84Q Harpoon Block II+ ER Surface-Launched missile system is classified SECRET. The Harpoon missile is a non-nuclear tactical weapon system currently in service in the U.S. Navy and in 29 other foreign nations. It provides a day, night, and adverse weather, standoff air-to-surface capability and is an effective Anti-Surface Warfare missile. The RGM–84Q incorporates components, software, and technical design information that is considered sensitive. The following components being conveyed by the proposed sale that are considered sensitive include:

a. Classified CONFIDENTIAL:
   (1) Radar Seeker
   (2) GPS/INS System
   (3) Operational Flight Program Software
   (4) Missile operational characteristics and performance data

b. Classified up to SECRET:
   (1) Weapon Data Link (depending on key classification)
   (2) Warhead

These elements are essential to the ability of the Harpoon missile to selectively engage hostile targets under a wide range of operations, tactical and environmental conditions. The Harpoon is a Coastal Target Suppressions land attack weapon.

2. The RGM–84L Harpoon Block II Surface-Launched missile system is classified CONFIDENTIAL. The Harpoon missile is a non-nuclear tactical weapon system currently in service in the U.S. Navy and in 29 other foreign nations. It provides a day, night, and adverse weather, standoff air-to-surface capability and is an effective Anti-Surface Warfare missile. The RGM–84L incorporates components, software, and technical design information that are considered sensitive. The following components being conveyed by the proposed sale that are considered sensitive are:

Classified CONFIDENTIAL:

(1) Radar Seeker
(2) GPS/INS System
(3) Operational Flight Program Software
(4) Missile operational characteristics and performance data

3. The RTM–84 Exercise Harpoon Surface-Launched missile is classified up to SECRET. The RTM–84 Exercise Harpoon incorporates components, software, and technical design information that are considered sensitive. The following components being conveyed by the proposed sale that are considered sensitive include:

a. Classified CONFIDENTIAL:
   (1) Radar Seeker
   (2) GPS/INS System
   (3) Operational Flight Program Software
   (4) Missile operational characteristics and performance data

b. Classified up to SECRET:
   (1) Weapon Data Link (depending on key classification)

4. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of
specific hardware, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapons system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

5. A determination has been made that Finland can provide substantially the same degree of protection for sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This proposed sustainment program is necessary to the furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the policy justification.

6. All defense articles and services listed on this transmittal are authorized for release and export to the Government of Finland.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers
Notice of Intent To Prepare a Tiered Environmental Impact Statement for the New York New Jersey Harbor and Tributaries Coastal Storm Risk Management Feasibility Study

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the requirements of section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District (Corps) is preparing an integrated Feasibility Report/Tiered Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed New York New Jersey Harbor and Tributaries Coastal Storm Risk Management Feasibility Study (NYNJHAT). The study is assessing the feasibility of coastal storm risk management alternatives to be implemented within the authorized study area with a specific emphasis on the New York New Jersey Harbor, including Raritan Bay, the tidally-affected stretches of the Passaic and Hackensack Rivers, and the Hudson River to Troy, New York.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions about the overall NYNJHAT study should be directed to Bryce Wisemiller, Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, Programs and Project Management Division, Civil Works Programs Branch, 26 Federal Plaza, Room 2127, New York, NY 10279–0090; Phone: (917) 790–8307; email: Bryce.W.Wisemiller@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
1. Background
The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), in partnership with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) as the non-federal sponsors, is undertaking this study. In addition, the City of New York is a non-federal partner. The NYNJHAT study area, which encompasses the New York metropolitan area, is highly vulnerable to damage from coastal storm surge, wave attack, erosion, and intense rainfall-storm water runoff events that can exacerbate coastal flooding. The NYNJHAT study is authorized under section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) as the non-federal sponsors, are undertaking this study. In addition, the City of New York is a non-federal partner. The NYNJHAT study area, which encompasses the New York metropolitan area, is highly vulnerable to damage from coastal storm surge, wave attack, erosion, and intense rainfall-storm water runoff events that can exacerbate coastal flooding. The NYNJHAT study is authorized under section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) as the non-federal sponsors, are undertaking this study. In addition, the City of New York is a non-federal partner.

2. Study Area
The study area encompasses approximately 2,150 square miles and includes parts of Bergen, Passaic, Morris, Essex, Hudson, Union, Somerset, Middlesex, and Monmouth Counties in New Jersey and Rensselaer, Albany, Columbia, Greene, Duchess, Ulster, Putnam, Orange, Westchester, Rockland, Bronx, New York, Queens, Kings, Richmond, and Nassau Counties in New York. The study area extends upstream of the Hudson River to the federal lock and dam at Troy, New York, the Passaic River to the Dundee Dam, and the Hackensack River to the Oradell Reservoir.

3. Public Participation
The Corps, the NYSDEC and the NJDEP hosted three agency workshops in January and February 2017, with representatives from federal and state agencies, as well as representatives from local agencies and towns. The Corps, NYSDEC and NJDEP are anticipating hosting a NEPA Scoping Meetings in March and April 2018. Public notices announcing the meeting date, time, location and agenda will be published in the appropriate local newspapers, municipality web pages, and the Corps’ New York District web page (see STUDY WEB PAGE and ADDRESSES above) and will be distributed to the local stakeholders and known interested parties.

A scoping comment period of 30 days will be established from the scheduled date of the meeting to allow agencies, organizations and individuals to submit comments, questions and/or concerns regarding the Feasibility Study. Comments, concerns and information submitted to the Corps will be evaluated and considered during the development of the Draft EIS.

Lead and Cooperating Agencies
The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is the lead federal agency for the preparation of a Tiered Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in order to meet the requirements of the NEPA and the NEPA Implementing Regulations of the President’s Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR 1500–1508). The Corps has invited the U.S. Coast Guard, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Marine Fisheries Service, the National Park Service, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be Cooperating or Participating Agencies on this study. The preparation of a Tiered EIS will be coordinated with New York State, New Jersey State and local municipalities with discretionary authority relative to the proposed actions. The Draft integrated Feasibility Report/Tiered EIS is currently scheduled for distribution to the public Summer 2018.

Dated: February 6, 2018.

Peter M. Weppler,
Chief, Environmental Analysis Branch, Planning Division.