

required abruptness to allow operation above 500 °C and a process. The process is compatible for MOS device process technology, where the devices are either processed or operated at HT, therefore, requires a diffusion barrier that can be deposited via a physical vapor deposition process and can also ensure an abrupt metal/dielectric interface with negligible diffusion of metals into the dielectric and dielectric into the metal.

Intellectual property:

U.S. Application No. US Application Serial Number 19/056,139 [Attorney Docket AFD2461/50370-0019-01] filed 18 February 2025, claiming the benefit of Provisional Application Serial Number 63/554,974, filed 17 February 2024, and entitled Diffusion Barrier for Metal/Dielectric Interface.

The Department of the Air Force may grant the prospective license unless a timely objection is received that sufficiently shows the grant of the license would be inconsistent with the Bayh-Dole Act or implementing regulations. A competing application for a patent license agreement, completed in compliance with 37 CFR 404.8 and received by the Air Force within the period for timely objections, will be treated as an objection and may be considered as an alternative to the proposed license.

(Authority: 35 U.S.C. 209; 37 CFR 404.)

Crystle C. Poge,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Department of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board, Department of the Air Force.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice in accordance with chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code, to announce that the following meeting of the Department of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board will take place.

DATES: Closed to the public. 13 October 2026 from 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Eastern Time and 16 October 2026 from 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at The Mark Center, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Vince Bullard, (703) 697-1191 (Voice), vinson.bullard@us.af.mil (Email). Mailing address is 1060 Air Force Pentagon Rm 5E815, Washington, DC 20330-1060. Website: <https://www.scientificadvisoryboard.af.mil/>. 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 chapter 10 of title 5, United States Code ((commonly known as the “Federal Advisory Committee Act” or “FACA”), section 552b of title 5, United States Code (popularly known as the “Government in the Sunshine Act”), and 41 CFR 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting

The purpose of this Department of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board meeting is to provide dedicated time for members to begin collaboration on research and formally commence the Department of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board’s FY27 Secretary of the Air Force directed studies.

In accordance with section 1009(d) of title 5, United States Code and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the Administrative Assistant of the Air Force, in consultation with the Air Force General Counsel, has agreed that the public interest requires this meeting of the United States Department of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board be closed to the public because it will involve discussions involving classified matters covered by section 552b(c)(1) of title 5, United States Code.

Written Statements: Any member of the public wishing to provide input to the United States Department of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board should submit a written statement in accordance with 41 CFR 102-3.140(c), section 1009(a)(3) of title 5, United States Code, and the procedures described in this paragraph. Written statements can be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer at the address detailed above at any time. The Designated Federal Officer will review all submissions with the Department of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board Chairperson and ensure they are provided to members of the Department of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board. Written statements received after the meeting that is the subject of this notice may not be considered by the Scientific Advisory Board until the next scheduled meeting.

(Authority: 35 U.S.C. 209; 37 CFR 404.)

Crystle C. Poge,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS-2026-0331; OMB Control Number 0750-0002]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Defense Acquisition Regulations System has submitted to OMB for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by November 2, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

You may also submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by the following method: Federal eRulemaking Portal: <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Reginald T. Lucas, 571-372-7574, or whs.mc-alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 204, Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services; OMB Control Number 0750-0002.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Number of Respondents: 3,446.

Responses per Respondent: 50, approximately.

Annual Responses: 172,320.

Average Burden per Response: 0.36 hour, approximately.

Annual Burden Hours: 62,085.

Needs and Uses: The collection of information is necessary to protect against foreign interference with DoD telecommunications, which could jeopardize our military communications, the lives of our warfighters, and our national security. The collection of information is essential to the mission of the agencies to ensure DoD does not purchase prohibited equipment, systems, and services, and can respond appropriately if any such purchases are not identified until after delivery or use. This requirement supports implementation of section 1656(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018. Section 1656 prohibits DoD from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service to carry out the nuclear deterrence mission and homeland defense mission that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as a part of any system. This requirement is implemented in the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) through the solicitation provision at 252.204–7017, Prohibition on the Acquisition of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, and the contract clause at 252.204–2018, Prohibition on Acquisition of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services. This clearance covers the following requirements:

- DFARS 252.204–7017 requires that if an offeror provides an affirmative representation under the solicitation provision at 252.204–7016, Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, that offeror is required to represent whether it will or will not provide under the contract covered defense telecommunications equipment or services.

- DFARS 252.204–7018 requires contractors to report covered telecommunications equipment, systems, and services identified during performance of a contract.

DoD Clearance Officer: Mr. Reginald T. Lucas. Requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Lucas at whs.mc–

alex.esd.mbx.dd-dod-information-collections@mail.mil.

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Editor/Publisher, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS–2026–0496; OMB Control Number 0704–0246]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 245, Government Property, Related Clauses and Forms

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System; Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of DoD's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection for use under Control Number 0704–0246 through January 31, 2027. DoD proposes that OMB approve an extension of the information collection requirement, to expire three years after the approval date.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by November 30, 2026.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0704–0246, using either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Email:* osd.dfars@mail.mil. Include OMB Control Number 0704–0246 in the subject line of the message.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Johnson, 202–913–5764.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 245, Government Property, Related Clauses and Forms; OMB Control Number 0704–0246.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Respondents: 771.

Responses per Respondent: 24.5, approximately.

Annual Responses: 18,891.

Average Burden per Response: 0.17 hour, approximately.

Annual Burden Hours: 3,266.

Needs and Uses: DoD uses the information collected through the requirements of the DFARS part 245 clauses for management and oversight of Government-furnished property (GFP).

The clause at DFARS 252.245–7005 strengthens the accountability and end-to-end traceability of Government property within DoD. Paragraph (b)(1) of the clause requires reporting of GFP requirements under the GFP module of the Procurement Integrated Enterprise Environment (PIEE) eBusiness platform. DFARS clause 252.245–7005, paragraph (j), provides procedures for disposal of scrap. The DD Form 1639, Scrap Warranty, is completed by individuals or firms that purchase Government property for its material content from a Government contractor. The DD Form 1639, addressed in paragraph (j)(2) of the clause, is used for the sole purpose of having the purchasers warrant that the property they have purchased will be used only as scrap. DFARS 252.245–7005, paragraph (k), provides procedures for sale of surplus contractor inventory.

The clause at DFARS 252.245–7003, Contractor Property Management System Administration, requires certain contractors to respond in writing to an initial or final determination from the administrative contracting officer that