



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Chief Information Officer

Washington, D.C. 20230

June 14, 2007

Ms. Susan E. Dudley
Administrator
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Dudley:

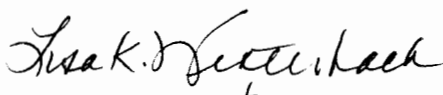
The Department of Commerce's Census Bureau requests expedited review of an information collection request, "Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) Program." We request that the Office of Management and Budget conclude its review by **July 15, 2007**.

The LUCA Program was developed by the U.S. Census Bureau to meet the requirements of the *Census Address List Improvement Act of 1994, P.L. 103-430*. Under the voluntary LUCA Program, tribal, state, and local governments, and the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico may review the Census Bureau's confidential list of individual living quarters addresses. After review, they provide the Census Bureau with address additions, corrections, deletions, and the identification of corrected address counts for census blocks; street and street attribute updates; and legal boundary updates. This information collection will occur between August 2007 and April 2008. The Census Bureau will use the LUCA program to help develop the housing unit and group quarters (e.g., college dormitory, nursing home, correctional facility, etc.) address information that it will need to conduct the 2010 Decennial Census.

A late determination that the 2010 LUCA Program would require approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act has necessitated this request for expedited review. A significant delay in starting the program would be harmful because it reduces the time during which participants can perform their activities. Additionally, perceptions about the LUCA Program on the part of participants and other stakeholders, already aware of the widely-publicized planned schedule and anticipating its start, could be adversely affected. Accurate address information is critical to an accurate population count.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,


Barry C. West *for*

Enclosures