Supporting Statement Bonded Warehouse Proprietor's Submission 1651-0033

Justification

1. Explain the circumstances that make the collection of information necessary. Identify any legal or administrative requirements that necessitate the collection. Attach a copy of the appropriate section of each statue and regulation mandating or authorizing the collection of information.

The Bonded Warehouse Proprietor's Submission, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Form 300, is filed annually be each warehouse proprietor. This form must be filed within 45 days of the end of his business year, pursuant to the provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 66, 1311, 1555, 1556, 1557, 1623 and 19 CFR 19.12(5).

2. Indicate how, by whom, and for what purpose the information is to be used. Except for a new collection, indicate the actual use the agency has made of the information received from the current collection.

The information on CBP Form 300 will be used by CBP to evaluate warehouse activity for the year to determine auditees based on risk to the revenue and specified selection criteria. If the information were not collected a loss of revenue would result.

3. Describe whether, and to what extent, the collection of information involves the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses, and the basis for the decision for adopting this means of collection. Also describe any consideration of using information technology to reduce burden.

This form will be automated in the Automated Commercial System in 2013.

4. Describe efforts to identify duplication. Show specifically why any similar information already available cannot be used or modified for use for the purposes described in Item 2 above.

This information is not duplicated in any other place or any other form.

5. If the collection of information impacts small businesses or other small entities (Item 5 of the OMB Form 83-I), describe any methods used to minimize burden.

This information collection does not have an impact on small businesses or other small entities.

6. Describe consequences to Federal program or policy activities if the collection is not conducted or is conducted less frequently.

If the collection were conducted less frequently, it could affect the annual audits and cause potential problems in revenue collection. The information collected on Form 300 is an integral part of the audit-inspection approach and saves the warehouse community millions of dollars in expenses and for CBP it saves hundreds of staff-years and labor each fiscal year.

7. Explain any special circumstances that would cause an information collection to be conducted in a manner:

This information is collected in a manner consistent with the guidelines of 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2).

8. If applicable, provide a copy and identify the date and page number of publication in the Federal Register of the agency's notice, required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on the information collection prior to submission to OMB. Summarize public comments received in response to that notice and describe actions taken by the agency in response to these comments. Specifically address comments received on cost and hour burden.

Public comments were solicited through two Federal Register notices published on January 30, 2009 (Volume 74, Pages 5669) and on May 13, 2009 (Volume 74, Pages 22565-22566). As of this submission, no comments have been received.

9. Explain any decision to provide any payment or gift to respondents, other than remuneration of contractors or grantees.

There is no offer of a monetary or material value for this information collection.

10. Describe any assurance of confidentiality provided to respondents and the basis for the assurance in statute, regulation, or agency policy.

There are no assurances of confidentiality provided to the respondents of this information collection.

11. Provide additional justification for any questions of a sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly considered private. This justification should include the reasons why the agency considers the questions necessary, the specific uses to be made of the information, the explanation to be given to persons from whom the information is requested, and any steps to be taken to obtain their consent.

There are no questions of a sensitive nature.

INFORMATIO N COLLECTION	TOTAL ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS	NO. OF RESPONDENT S	NO. OF RESPONSES PER RESPONDENT	TOTAL RESPONSES	TIME PER RESPONSE
Bonded Warehouse Proprietor's Submission (Form 300)	45,000	1,800	1	1,800	25 hours

12. Provide estimates of the hour burden of the collection of information.

Public Cost

The estimated cost to the respondents is 1,260,000. This is based on the estimated burden hours (45,000) multiplied (x) hourly rate (28.00).

13. Provide an estimate of the total annual cost burden to respondents or record keepers resulting from the collection of information.

There are no record keeping, capitalization, start-up or maintenance costs associated with this information collection.

14. Provide estimates of annualized cost to the Federal Government. Also provide a description of the method used to estimate cost, which should include quantification of hours, operational expenses (such as equipment overhead, printing, and support staff), and any other expense that would not have been incurred without this collection of information.

The annual estimated cost to the Federal Government associated with reviewing and processing the information is \$189,000. This is based on the time spent per response (3 hours) x number of responses (1,800) = 5,400 hours expended x an annual rate of \$35.00 = \$189,000.

15. Explain the reasons for any program changes or adjustments reported in Items 12 or 13 of the Supporting Statement.

There has been a slight increase in the time per response (24 hours and 18 minutes to 25 hours). This is due to better estimates by CBP. There were no substantive changes to this program.

16. For collection of information whose results will be published, outline plans for tabulation, and publication.

This information collection will not be published for statistical purposes.

17. If seeking approval to not display the expiration date, explain the reasons that displaying the expiration date would be inappropriate.

CBP has displayed the expiration date on this form.

18. "Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions."

CBP does not request and exception to the certification of this information collection.

B. Collection of Information Employing Statistical Methods

No statistical methods were employed.