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Mr. Tom Lorenz  
U.S. Department of Energy  
Office of Energy Markets and End Use  
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RE: *Federal Register* notice of March 15, 2010, for the Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey Forms EIA-846 (OMB Number: 1905-0169)

Dear Mr. Lorenz:

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) strongly supports the continued collection of data on the Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey Form EIA-846. The data collected on this form are crucial to key components of BEA's economic statistics.

BEA uses information from the EIA-846 in the benchmark and annual input-output (I-O) accounts. The attached table describes how data are used from this form by BEA.

Please keep BEA informed concerning any modifications to this form. We are particularly interested in any modifications proposed during the form's approval process that would substantially affect our use of these data. For additional information, please contact Ruth Bramblett, Source Data Coordinator, on 202-606-9653 or by e-mail at [Ruth.Bramblett@bea.gov](mailto:Ruth.Bramblett@bea.gov). Should you need assistance in justifying this form to the Office of Management and Budget, please do not hesitate to contact BEA.

Sincerely,  
/s/  
Dennis J. Fixler  
Chief Statistician

Attachment

## ATTACHMENT

Items Used	Estimates Prepared for
Total expenditures for purchased electricity	Industry inputs for the annual I-O accounts
Total expenditures for purchased steam and industrial hot water	Industry inputs for benchmark I-O accounts
Total expenditures for purchased natural gas	Industry inputs for the annual and benchmark I-O accounts
Total expenditures for purchased liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and motor gasoline	Industry inputs for benchmark I-O accounts
Total expenditures for purchased diesel fuel, distillate fuel oil, and residual fuel oil	Industry inputs for benchmark I-O accounts
Total expenditures for purchased kerosene and petroleum coke	Industry inputs for benchmark I-O accounts
Total expenditures for purchased coal (anthracite, bituminous and sub-bituminous, and Lignite)	Industry inputs for benchmark I-O accounts
Total expenditures for purchased breeze and coal coke	Industry inputs for benchmark I-O accounts
Wood harvested directly from trees	Industry inputs for benchmark I-O accounts