

**SUPPORTING STATEMENT
FOR PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION
OMB Control No. 9000-0047, PLACE OF PERFORMANCE**

A. Justification.

1. Administrative requirements. The information relative to the place of performance and owner of plant or facility, if other than the prospective contractor, is a basic requirement when contracting for supplies or services (including construction). This information is instrumental in determining bidder responsibility, responsiveness, and price reasonableness. A prospective contractor must affirmatively demonstrate its responsibility. Hence, the Government must be apprised of this information prior to award.

The contracting officer must know the place of performance and the owner of the plant or facility to—

- (a) Determine bidder responsibility;
- (b) Determine price reasonableness;
- (c) Conduct plant or source inspections; and
- (d) Determine whether the prospective contractor is a manufacturer or a regular dealer.

2. Uses of information. The information is used to determine the firm's eligibility for awards and to assure proper preparation of the contract.

3. Consideration of information technology. For the most part, this information will be collected electronically in the On-Line Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). Contractors will be able to complete the provision electronically; however, because the data being collected could change for a specific solicitation, contractor's will still be required to submit place of performance information on an exceptional basis; that is, whenever the place of performance for a specific solicitation is different from the place of performance shown in ORCA.

4. Efforts to identify duplication. This requirement is being issued under the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) which has been developed to standardize Federal procurement practices and eliminate unnecessary duplication.

5. If the collection of information impacts small businesses or other entities describe methods used to minimize burden. The burden applied to small businesses is the minimum consistent with applicable laws, Executive orders, regulations, and prudent business practices.

6. Describe consequence to Federal program or policy activities if the collection is not conducted or is conducted less frequently. Collection of information on a basis other than solicitation-by-solicitation is not practical.

7. Special circumstances for collection. Collection is consistent with guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.6.

8. Efforts to consult with persons outside the agency. Under the procedures established for development of the FAR, agency and public comments were solicited and each comment addressed before finalization of the text. A notice published in the Federal Register at 76 FR 17126, March 28, 2011. No comments were received.

9. Explanation of any decision to provide any payment or gift to respondents, other than reenumeration of contractors or guarantees. Not applicable.

10. Describe assurance of confidentiality provided to respondents. This information is disclosed only to the extent consistent with prudent business practices and current regulations.

11. Additional justification for questions of a sensitive nature. No sensitive questions are involved.

12 & 13. Estimated total annual public hour and cost burden. Time required to read, prepare, and record information is estimated at 2.73 minutes per completion.

Estimated respondents/yr.....	79,397
Responses annually.....X	<u>14</u>
Total annual responses.....	1,111,558
Preparation time per response.....X	<u>.0455009</u>
Total burden/hrs.....	50,577
Average wage (\$24 + 75% OH).....X	<u>\$42</u>
Estimated cost to public.....	\$2,124,234

14. Estimated cost to the Government. Time required for Governmentwide review is estimated at 1 minute (.017 hr.) per response.

Annual Reporting Burden and Cost

Total annual responses.....	1,111,558
Review time per response.....X	<u>.017</u>
Total burden hours.....	18,896
Average wages + overhead (\$20/hr. + 100% OH).....X	<u>\$40</u>
Total Government cost.....	\$755,840

15. Explain reasons for program changes or adjustments reported in Item 13 or 14. This submission requests an extension of OMB approval of an information

collection requirement in the FAR. The information collection requirement in the FAR remains unchanged.

16. Outline plans for published results of information collections. Results will not be tabulated or published.

17. Approval not to display expiration date. Not applicable.

18. Explanation of exception to certification statement. Not applicable.