

Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance for the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback” (OMB Control Number: 1910-5160)

TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:

Feedback block for DOE’s Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) website

PURPOSE:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy’s (EERE) FEMP requests OMB approval for the use of a voluntary, one-question feedback widget/block.

The feedback block will enable us to gauge if user needs are being met by the Web content and tools, gauge the impact and usefulness of the information and tools. If the majority of the answers to this widget are “no” for a certain page, we will review the page content and conduct audience interviews to ascertain the issues with the page and update it based on the interview findings.

The feedback block will be placed strategically on end-point pages on the FEMP website on an average of 10 to 20 pages.

Collection of responses: The question will be administered using a feedback block that asks “Did you find what you are looking for?” Participation is completely voluntary. Data collected will be for internal use only and will not be publically shared.

Burden to public: The question would take each respondent no more than 15 seconds to answer. We would use the feedback block until we reach 4,000 total responses.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS:

The survey respondents will consist of users of the FEMP website.

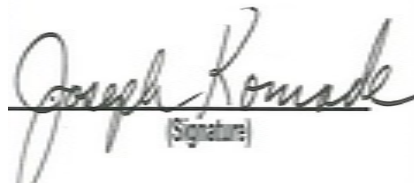
TYPE OF COLLECTION: (Check one)

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| ☐ Customer Comment Card/Complaint Form | ☒ Customer Satisfaction Survey |
| ☐ Usability Testing (e.g., Website or Software) | ☐ Small Discussion Group |
| ☐ Focus Group | ☐ Other: |

CERTIFICATION:

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collection is voluntary.
2. The collection is low-burden for respondents and low-cost for the Federal Government.
3. The collection is non-controversial and does not raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
4. The results are not intended to be disseminated to the public.
5. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of substantially informing influential policy decisions.
6. The collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the future.



(Signature)

Joe Konrade, DOE FEMP Website Manager

To assist review, please provide answers to the following question:

Personally Identifiable Information:

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. If Yes, will any information that is collected be included in records that are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974? ☐ Yes ☐ No
3. If Yes, has an up-to-date System of Records Notice (SORN) been published? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Gifts or Payments:

Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants? ☐ Yes ☒ No

BURDEN HOURS

FEMP

Category of Respondent	No. of Respondents*	Participation Time/Respondent	Burden
Private Sector	4,000	15 sec	8 hours

* We will discontinue use of the feedback widget and reapply for OMB approval after we reach 2,000 respondents from the private sector.

FEDERAL COST: The total estimated cost to the government is less than \$1,000. This includes existing staff time for evaluating the results.

If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:

The selection of your targeted respondents

1. Do you have a customer list or something similar that defines the universe of potential respondents and do you have a sampling plan for selecting from this universe?
☐ Yes ☒ No

If the answer is yes, please provide a description of both below (or attach the sampling plan)? If the answer is no, please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them?

The feedback widget would be on end point pages of the FEMP website and would be sampling any user of this website. We estimate approximately 4,000 private sector and contractor respondents based on website analytics.

Administration of the Instrument

1. How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)
☒ Web-based or other forms of Social Media
☐ Telephone
☐ In-person
☐ Mail
☐ Other, Explain

2. Will interviewers or facilitators be used? [] Yes [**X**] No

Please make sure that all instruments, instructions, and scripts are submitted with the request.

Instructions for completing Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance for the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback”

TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION: Provide the name of the collection that is the subject of the request. (e.g. Comment card for soliciting feedback on xxxx)

PURPOSE: Provide a brief description of the purpose of this collection and how it will be used. If this is part of a larger study or effort, please include this in your explanation.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: Provide a brief description of the targeted group or groups for this collection of information. These groups must have experience with the program.

TYPE OF COLLECTION: Check one box. If you are requesting approval of other instruments under the generic, you must complete a form for each instrument.

CERTIFICATION: Please read the certification carefully. If you incorrectly certify, the collection will be returned as improperly submitted or it will be disapproved.

Personally Identifiable Information: Provide answers to the questions. Note: Agencies should only collect PII to the extent necessary, and they should only retain PII for the period of time that is necessary to achieve a specific objective.

Gifts or Payments: If you answer yes to the question, please describe the incentive and provide a justification for the amount.

BURDEN HOURS:

Category of Respondents: Identify who you expect the respondents to be in terms of the following categories: (1) Individuals or Households; (2) Private Sector; (3) State, local, or tribal governments; or (4) Federal Government. Only one type of respondent can be selected per row.

No. of Respondents: Provide an estimate of the Number of respondents.

Participation Time: Provide an estimate of the amount of time required for a respondent to participate (e.g. fill out a survey or participate in a focus group)

Burden: Provide the Annual burden hours: Multiply the Number of responses and the participation time and divide by 60.

FEDERAL COST: Provide an estimate of the annual cost to the Federal government.

If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:

The selection of your targeted respondents. Please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them. If the answer is yes, to the first question, you may provide the sampling plan in an attachment.

Administration of the Instrument: Identify how the information will be collected. More than one box may be checked. Indicate whether there will be interviewers (e.g. for surveys) or facilitators (e.g., for focus groups) used.

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