



U.S. Department of State

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL UNDER THE "GENERIC CLEARANCE
FOR THE COLLECTION OF ROUTINE CUSTOMER FEEDBACK"
OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 1405-0193**

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| Title of Information Collection | | Pre-Award & Debriefing Satisfaction Survey | |
| Purpose To seek the feedback from vendors who participate in the contracting process with the U.S. Department of State. | | | |
| Description of Respondents U.S. Department of State vendors. | | | |
| Type of Collection: <i>(Check one)</i> | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Comment Card/Complaint Form | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Customer Satisfaction Survey | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Usability Testing (e.g., Web site or Software) | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Discussion Group | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Focus Group | <input type="checkbox"/> 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 <u>not</u> raise issues of concern to other Federal agencies. 4. The results are <u>not</u> intended to be disseminated to the public. 5. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of <u>substantially</u> informing <u>influential</u> 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. | | | |
| Name <i>(Last, First, MI)</i> | | Title | |
| Johnston | Steven | C | Senior Advisor |
| Signature | | Date <i>(mm-dd-yyyy)</i> | |
| Johnston, Steven C (OPE) | | 04-01-2015 | |

TO ASSIST REVIEW, PLEASE PROVIDE ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

Personally Identifiable Information

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? Yes No
 a. If Yes, is the information that will be collected included in records that are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974? Yes No
2. If Applicable, has a System of Records Notice 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

| Category of Respondent | Number of Respondents | Participation Time (Minutes) | Burden Hours |
|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Private Sector | 10,500 | 5 | 875.00 |
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| Totals | 10,500 | 5 | 875.00 |

FEDERAL COST

The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is \$30,000.00

IF YOU ARE CONDUCTING A FOCUS GROUP, SURVEY, OR PLAN TO EMPLOY STATISTICAL METHODS, 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.

Per OMB guidance, all vendors who propose on an acquisition will be sent the survey. This could be from one to 100 or more depending on the solicitation. I have estimated that most contract actions will average 15 proposals so there will be 15 surveys emailed to the vendors.

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 Email until we create a suitable way to do it web based.
2. Will interviewers or facilitators be used? Yes No

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT ALL INSTRUMENTS, INSTRUCTIONS, AND SCRIPTS ARE SUBMITTED WITH THE REQUEST.

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INSTRUCTIONS**

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.

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.

Number 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 by the participation time, and then 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.

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