



U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Industry and Security Industrial Base Surveys and Assessments



Overview: Industrial Base Assessment: The U.S. Rocket Propulsion Industry

The U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC), Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), Office of Technology Evaluation, in coordination with the U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC) is conducting a survey and assessment of organizations responsible for the development, production, and sustainment of products and services supporting both U.S. Government (USG) and commercial propulsion-related systems.

The principal goal of this assessment is to gain an understanding of the supply chain network supporting the development, production, and sustainment of products and services supporting both USG and commercial propulsion-related systems. This effort will identify interdependencies between respondents, suppliers, customers, and USG agencies while also benchmark trends across many tiers of the propulsion industrial base. Over the longer term, the USG will be better informed to develop targeted planning and acquisition strategies to ensure the availability and security of the propulsion supply chain.

Approximately 400 propulsion-related organizations are receiving this survey and will have 30 calendar days to respond-in-full upon receipt of their notification letter. Your response is vital to not only ensure a comprehensive data set for the assessment but to also aid the USG's ongoing support of domestic propulsion-related manufacturing and service capabilities. BIS has worked in successful partnership with several other U.S. industry sectors and anticipate similar cooperation from your organization on this effort.

Legal Protections and Requirements

The information collected from respondents may be used publicly only in aggregated form but at no time will such reporting identify specific organizations by name. All information submitted to BIS is protected as Business Confidential under provisions of the Defense Production Act (DPA) of 1950, as amended (see 15 CFR Part 702). Survey responses are also exempt from Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.

BIS Industrial Base Assessment Program

Since 1986, BIS has completed over 55 industrial base assessments covering a variety of critical technologies and sectors. To view previous BIS reports and surveys, please visit our website at <http://www.bis.doc.gov/dib>.

Thank you for your cooperation. We look forward to working with you.