

**SUPPORTING STATEMENT
FOR INFORMATION COLLECTION
9000-0053, PERMITS, AUTHORITIES, OR FRANCHISES**

A. Justification.

1. **Administrative requirements.** This is a request for extension of the information collection requirements currently approved under OMB Control Number 9000-0053 for the information requirements contained in the clause at FAR 52.247-2, Permits, Authorities, or Franchises. The clause requires an offeror to indicate whether it has the proper authorization from the Federal Highway Administration (or other cognizant regulatory body) before it can be allowed to move material under any contract awarded. In addition, the Government has the right to request an offeror to submit copies of the authorization to the contracting officer in the exceptional case where the Government has reason to doubt that the contractor is in possession of the appropriate authorization.
2. **Uses of information.** The contracting officer reviews the documents requested to ensure that the offeror has complied with all regulatory requirements and has obtained any permits, licenses, or franchises that are needed.
3. **Consideration of information technology.** We use improved information technology to the maximum extent practicable. Where both the Government agency and contractors are capable of electronic interchange, the contractors may submit this information collection requirement electronically.
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.** A notice was published in the *Federal Register* at 80 FR 70217 on November 13, 2015. No comments were received. A 30-day notice published in the *Federal Register* at 81 FR 6518 on February 8, 2016.
9. **Explanation of any decision to provide any payment or gift to respondents, other than remuneration of contractors or grantees.** 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.**

The estimated total burden is as follows:

Estimated respondents/yr.....	255
Responses annually.....x	<u>1</u>
Total annual responses.....	255
Estimated hrs/response.....x	<u>0.5</u>
Estimated total burden/hrs.....	127.5
Cost per hour.....	<u>\$30*</u>
Estimated cost to public (\$15 per hour).....	\$3,825

*Based on GS-09, Step 5, salary (\$22.57 an hour) plus 32.85% burden, rounded to the nearest whole dollar, or \$30 an hour.

14. **Estimated cost to the Government.** Time required for Governmentwide review is estimated at half an hour.

Annual Reporting Burden and Cost

Reviewing time/hr.....	0.50
Responses/yr.....x	<u>255</u>
Review time/yr.....	127.5
Cost/hr.....x	<u>\$30*</u>
Total Government cost.....	\$3,825

*Based on GS-09, Step 5, salary (\$22.57 an hour) plus 32.85% burden, rounded to the nearest whole dollar, or \$30 an hour.

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.

B. Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods.

Statistical methods are not used in this information collection.