

**Justification for no material, non-substantive change to
OMB 0596-0066: FS-2400-14 Bid for Advertised Timber
April 2016**

We are requesting approval for a non-substantive change to OMB 0596-0066: Bid for Advertised Timber.

The revised forms being submitted with this request are:

1. FS-2400-14TV Bid for Advertised Timber (Total Sale Value Bidding)
2. FS-2400-14UR Bid for Advertised Timber (Unit Rate Bidding)
3. FS-2400-14WA Bid for Advertised Timber (Total Sale Value Bidding)
4. FS-2400-14BV Solicitation and Offer for Integrated Resource Contract
5. FS-2400-14BVU Solicitation and Offer for Integrated Resource Contract

The requested revisions of these forms was a recommendation from the Federal Timber Purchaser's Committee (FTPC) about a general statement in section 17(a)(i) of each form listed above, to add a few words regarding the communication allowable between bidders: "*for the purpose of restricting competition*".

The Program Area agrees that this revision is appropriate and aligns with the intent of the forms; all forms listed above have been updated with the following words for section 17(a)(i):

- (i) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement, *for the purpose of restricting competition* as to any matter relating to such prices with any other Offeror or with any potential competitor.