

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES

Supporting Statement
OMB No. 1140-0096
Environmental Information
ATF F 5000.29

A. Justification

1. A person engaged in the business of manufacturing explosives is required to have a license under the provisions of 18 U.S.C 843. The application process involves submission of ATF F 5400.13/16 (Application for Explosive License or Permit) in order to determine if criteria established under statutory authority are met by the applicant. In addition, the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 USC Chapter 55, authorizes the execution of the Environmental Information Form, ATF F 5000.29, during the application process in order to ensure compliance with the Act.
2. The data provided by the applicant on ATF F 5000.29, Environmental Information, allows ATF to identify any waste product(s) generated as a result of the operations by the applicant and the disposal of the products. The information is then reviewed in order to determine if there is any adverse impact on the environment. Information may be disclosed to other Federal, State and local law enforcement and regulatory personnel to verify information on the form and to aid in the enforcement of environmental laws.
3. Although this form included in the explosives application packet, there is no regulation or requirement that an FEL must fill it out. An e-fillable version of this form is also available on the ATF public website. However, it cannot be submitted electronically, as it requires an original signature, and must be mailed to ATF upon completion.

Since priority has been given to the conversion of current firearms forms to an electronic format, no funding has been earmarked for similar modifications to available explosives forms within the coming year. However, we will continue to explore opportunities for such conversion, and provide a plan of action for achieving a fully electronic collection, as soon as possible.

4. ATF uses a uniform subject classification system to identify duplication and to ensure that any similar information already available cannot be used or modified for use for the purpose of this information collection.
5. The collection of information does not impact small businesses.

6. The consequence of not conducting this information collection would result in waste disposal that may not be in accordance with standards established in the National Environmental Act.
7. There are no special circumstances as this information collection is conducted in a manner consistent with 5 CFR 1320.6.
8. The information collection was published in the Federal Register for 60 days and an additional 30 days in order to solicit comments from the public. No comments were received.
9. No payment or gift is associated with this collection.
10. The information is kept in a secured location at the Federal Explosives Licensing Center. Confidentiality is not assured.
11. No questions of a sensitive nature are asked.
12. The number of respondents associated with this collection is 680. Each respondent completes the form one time. The total number of responses is 680 and the time necessary to complete the form is 30 minutes. The total annual burden is 340 hours.
13. The estimated annual cost associated with this form is \$333.20 (680 respondents x \$0.49 postal rate) to mail the form as part of the application.
14. The cost to the Federal government is \$4,000.
15. The estimated annual cost increased due to a postal rate change from \$0.45 to \$0.49.
16. The results of this collection will not be published.
17. ATF does not request approval to not display the expiration date of OMB approval for this collection.
18. There are no exceptions to the certification statement.