

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 Environmental Information - 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 is included in the explosives application packet, there is no regulation or requirement that a Federal Explosives Licensee (FEL) must fill it out. An e-fillable version of this form is also available on the ATF public website. The form may be submitted via mail, fax (304-616-4401) or email (FELC@atf.gov) to the Federal Explosives Licensing Center (FELC). The wet signature requirement remains in place primarily because the FELC accepts signed forms. However, in addition to mailing a signed form to the FELC, responsible persons also have the option of signing and scanning or electronically/ digitally signing, if they possess the capability, their completed Environmental Information Form. Once signed, the form can be printed and faxed, or emailed to the FELC for processing. The use of electronic signature/digital signature and the implementation e-submission capability eliminates the need for mail-in notification.
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 is 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. ATF responded to the public comment received during the 60-day Federal Register (FR) notice period for this collection. A 30-day notice also will be published momentarily in the Federal Register, to solicit comments from the public.
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. There are no changes or adjustments associated with this information collection.
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.