Department of Commerce United States Census Bureau OMB Information Collection Request 2017 Economic Census of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa— Collectively Referred to as Island Areas¹ OMB Control Number 0607-0937

Based on flat line funding in FY 2017 and similar levels anticipated in FY 2018, key aspects of the 2017 Economic Census of Island Areas schedule have been re-planned. These changes will mean delays in mailings, data collection, processing, and the dissemination of final data products. The re-planned schedule is shown in Supporting Statement A. Changes to the Project Schedule (Item 16) are highlighted in yellow.

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Attachments:

A. Supporting Statement A

¹ The term used to collectively refer to Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa in the <u>Federal Register</u> on June 7, 2011 was Island Areas. Island Areas is common terminology across the Census Bureau.