

station regulatory compliance costs and time for regulatory processing have been shown to be substantial. Courses-of-action may include areas such as: Identifying gaps in existing regulations, codes and standards; streamlining regulatory, permitting, and certification processes; reducing unneeded compliance actions; or consolidating regulatory requirements. The RFI [DE-FOA-0001948] is available at: <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/>.

Confidential Business Information

Because information received in response to this RFI may be used to structure future programs, funding and/or otherwise be made available to the public, respondents are strongly advised to not include any information in their responses that might be considered business sensitive, proprietary, or otherwise confidential. If, however, a respondent chooses to submit business sensitive, proprietary, or otherwise confidential information, it must be clearly and conspicuously marked as such in the response as detailed in the RFI [DE-FOA-0001948] at: <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/>.

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Sunita Satyapal,

Director, Fuel Cell Technologies Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Submission for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) review and comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted an information collection request to the OMB for extension under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection requests a three-year extension of its Procurement Collection, OMB Control Number 1910-4100. This information collection request covers information necessary to administer and manage DOE's procurement and acquisition programs.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection must be received on or before July 13, 2018. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the OMB Desk Officer of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at (202) 395-4650.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the: DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

If you wish access to the collection of information, without charge, contact the person listed as soon as possible.

Sharon Archer, Procurement Analyst, MA-61/L'Enfant Plaza Building, U.S. Department of Energy, 950 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20024, Sharon.Archer@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Sharon Archer, by email: Sharon.Archer@hq.doe.gov, or by telephone at (202) 287-1739.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains: (1) *OMB No.* 1910-4100 (Renewal); (2) *Information Collection Request Title:* Procurement Information Collection; (3) *Type of Request:* Renewal; (4) *Purpose:* Under 48 CFR part 952 and Subpart 970.52, DOE must collect certain types of information from those seeking to do business with the Department or those awarded contracts by the Department. This information collection is necessary for the solicitation, award, administration, and closeout of DOE procurement contracts. (5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 7,387; (6) *Annual Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 666,082; (7) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$56,616,970.

Statutory Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2201.

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John Bashista,

Director, Office of Acquisition Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

Agency Information Collection Proposed New Survey or Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: EIA is requesting a three-year extension of EIA-882T, "Generic Clearance for Questionnaire Testing, Evaluation, and Research." EIA-882T

provides EIA with the authority to utilize qualitative and quantitative methodologies to pretest questionnaires and validate the quality of data collected on EIA's surveys. EIA uses EIA-882T to meet its obligation to publish, and otherwise make available independent, high-quality statistical data to federal government agencies, state and local governments, the energy industry, researchers, and the general public.

DATES: EIA must receive all comments on this proposed information collection no later than August 13, 2018. If you anticipate any difficulties in submitting your comments by the deadline, contact the person listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments to Brian Hewitt, U.S. Energy Information Administration, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, EI-21 Washington, DC 20585. If you prefer, you can email them to: brian.hewitt@eia.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you need additional information, send your request to Brian Hewitt, U.S. Energy Information Administration, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, EI-21, Washington, DC 20585. If you prefer, you can email brian.hewitt@eia.gov or contact him by telephone at 202-586-5045.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains:

(1) *OMB No.:* 1905-0186;

(2) *Information Collection Request Title:* Generic Clearance for Questionnaire Testing, Evaluation, and Research;

(3) *Type of Request:* Renewal;

(4) *Purpose:* The U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) is requesting a three-year approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to utilize qualitative and quantitative methodologies to pretest questionnaires and validate the quality of the data that is collected on EIA and DOE survey forms. Through the use of these methodologies, EIA will conduct research studies to improve the quality of energy data being collected, reduce or minimize survey respondent burden, and increase agency efficiency. This authority would also allow EIA to improve data collection in order to meet the needs of EIA's customers while also staying current in the evolving nature of the energy industry.

The specific methods proposed for the coverage by this clearance are described below. Also outlined is the legal authority for these voluntary information gathering activities.