<u>SUPPORTING STATEMENT - PART A</u>

Academic Certification for Marine Corps Officer Candidate Program – 0703-0011

Summary of Changes from Previously Approved Collection

• Increase in use of information technology from 0%-95% to collect responses.

1. Need for the Information Collection

The information collected through NAVMC Form 10469, "Academic Certification for Marine Corps Officer Candidate Program," is needed to verify a potential officer candidate's academic qualifications and mental qualifying scores. The authorities authorizing the collection of information is Title 10, USC 5042: Headquarters Marine Corps: General Duties, MCO 1130.76C, "Conduct of Recruiting Operations," and MCRCO 1100.2, Marine Corps Recruiting Command Officer Commissioning Manual (MCRC OCM) which establishes the requirement to verify officer applicant's qualifications. Marine Corps Recruiting Command is responsible to the Commandant of the Marine Corps for the procurement of qualified individuals, to meet the established personnel strength levels, officer and enlisted, of the Marine Corps and Marine Corps Reserve. Under Title 10, USC 5042, Headquarters Marine Corps shall prepare for such employment of the Marine Corps, to include recruiting and maintaining of the Marine Corps. Under MCO 1130.76C, The Commanding General of MCRC is responsible for the implementation of total force recruiting policies and directives as established by the Department of Defense, Department of the Navy or Headquarters Marine Corps. MCRCO 1100.2 establishes the criteria for officer procurement and accessions as directed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps. In order to accomplish these officer procurement requirements, the Office Selection Officer must prospect, screen and contract qualified individuals. The NAVMC 10469 form is a vital part of the process.

2. Use of the Information

The NAVMC Form 10469 "Academic Certification for Marine Corps Officer Candidate Program" is used to verify a potential officer candidate's academic qualifications and mental qualifying scores. When an applicant is interested in joining the Marine Corps as an Officer, they must contact a Marine Corps Officer Selection Officer (OSO) to schedule an initial interview with the applicant. During that initial interview, the applicant provides information on colleges or universities they've attended. The OSO emails the NAVMC Form 10469 to the Registrar's office of the college(s) or university(ies) identified by the applicant. The school Registrar's office completes the form with information regarding the student's degree plan, major, credit hours, and grades. The respondents are not provided any additional letters, emails, or other communications when filling this information out. The respondent will then digitally sign the form, verifying the information to be true, and return it to the OSO via email. Once the form is completed, signed, and received by the OSO,

it will be uploaded into the potential officer's application via the Marine Corps Recruiting Command's Automated Commissioning Package (ACP) database. The applicant does not complete or review this form in order to maintain the integrity of the information that is provided.

3. <u>Use of Information Technology</u>

95% of responses are collected electronically through email.

4. <u>Non-duplication</u>

The information obtained through this collection is unique and is not already available for use or adaptation from another cleared source.

5. Burden on Small Businesses

This information collection does not impose a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small businesses or entities.

6. <u>Less Frequent Collection</u>

The collection of this data is collected on occasion when a potential applicant applies to the program. Less frequent collections will not allow potential applicants to be considered for commissioning.

7. Paperwork Reduction Act Guidelines

This collection of information does not require collection to be conducted in a manner inconsistent with the guidelines delineated in 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2).

8. Consultation and Public Comments

Part A: PUBLIC NOTICE

A 60-Day Federal Register Notice (FRN) for the collection published on Monday, March 28, 2022. The 60-Day FRN citation is 87 FR 17284.

No comments were received during the 60-Day Comment Period.

A 30-Day Federal Register Notice for the collection published on Thursday, June 30, 2022. The 30-Day FRN citation is 87 FR 39074.

Part B: CONSULTATION

No additional consultation apart from soliciting public comments through the 60-Day Federal Register Noticed was conducted for this submission.

9. <u>Gifts or Payment</u>

No payments or gifts are being offered to respondents as an incentive to participate in the collection.

10. <u>Confidentiality</u>

A Privacy Act Statement (PAS) is required and is provided at the top of the form.

A System of Records Notice (SORN) is required. SORN MO1133-3, is available at https://dpcld.defense.gov/Privacy/SORNsIndex/DOD-wide-SORN-Article-View/Article/570628/m01133-3/.

A Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) is required. The current Marine Corps Recruiting Information Support System (MCRISS) PIA is published at https://www.doncio.navy.mil/contentview.aspx?id=678

Records Retention and Disposition Schedule:

Per SECNAV M-5210.1, The Department of the Navy Records Management Manual, Officer Recruiting Records (SSIC 1131) hard copies of NAVMC 10469 will be retained at the OSO's, destroy when applicant is commissioned or 5 years after applicant is rejected, whichever is earlier.

11. Sensitive Questions

Applicant Social Security Numbers are collected on this form in order to ensure that the correct transcript is provided to the OSO from the university. A Social Security Justification Memo has been submitted along with this package.

12. Respondent Burden and its Labor Costs

Part A: ESTIMATION OF RESPONDENT BURDEN

1) Collection Instrument

NAVMC 10469

- a) Number of Respondents: 3,500
- b) Number of Responses Per Respondent: 1
- c) Number of Total Annual Responses: 3500
- d) Response Time: 15 minutes
- e) Respondent Burden Hours: 875 hours

2) Total Submission Burden

- a) Total Number of Respondents: 3,500
- b) Total Number of Annual Responses: 3,500
- c) Total Respondent Burden Hours: 875 hours

Part B: LABOR COST OF RESPONDENT BURDEN

- 1) Collection Instrument
 - NAVMC 10469
 - a) Number of Total Annual Responses: 3,500
 - b) Response Time: 15 minutes
 - c) Respondent Hourly Wage: \$20.88
 - d) Labor Burden per Response: \$5.22
 - e) Total Labor Burden: \$18,270.00
- 2) Overall Labor Burden
 - a) Total Number of Annual Responses: 3,500
 - b) Total Labor Burden: \$18,270.00

The Respondent hourly wage was determined by using data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the average hourly wage of Office and Administrative Support Occupations (https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes_nat.htm).

13. Respondent Costs Other Than Burden Hour Costs

There are no annualized costs to respondents other than the labor burden costs addressed in Section 12 of this document to complete this collection.

14. Cost to the Federal Government

Part A: LABOR COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

- 1) Collection Instrument
 - NAVMC 10469
 - a) Number of Total Annual Responses: 3,500
 - b) Processing Time per Response: 15 minutes
 - c) Hourly Wage of Worker(s) Processing Responses: \$15.00
 - d) Cost to Process Each Response: \$3.75
 - e) Total Cost to Process Response: \$13,125.00
- 2) Overall Labor Burden to Federal Government
 - a) Total Number of Annual Responses: 3,500
 - b) Total Labor Burden: \$13,125.00

Part B: OPERATIONAL AND MAINTENANCE COSTS_

- 1) Cost Categories
 - a) Equipment: \$350

b) Printing: \$175

c) Postage: \$0

d) Software Purchases: \$0e) Licensing Costs: \$1,449

f) Other: \$0

2) Total Operational and Maintenance Cost: \$1,974.00

Part C: TOTAL COST TO THE FEDRAL GOVERNMENT

1) Total Operational and Maintenance Costs: \$1,974.00

2) Total Labor Cost to the Federal Government: \$13,125.00

3) Total Cost to the Federal Government: \$15,099.00

15. Reasons for Change in Burden

There has been an increase in respondent burden due to a normal increase in estimated respondent hourly wage since the previous approval.

16. Publication of Results

The results of this information collection will not be published.

17. Non-Display of OMB Expiration Date

We are not seeking approval to omit the display of the expiration date of the OMB approval on the collection instrument.

18. Exceptions to "Certification for Paperwork Reduction Submissions"

We are not requesting any exemptions to the provisions stated in 5 CFR 1320.9.