JUSTIFICATION FOR NONMATERIAL/NONSUBSTANTIVE CHANGE National Summer Teacher Institute OMB Control Number 0651-0077 2022

Background:

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) conducts the National Summer Teacher Institute (NSTI) on Innovation, STEM, and Intellectual Property. This program, which focuses on innovation, STEM, entrepreneurship, and intellectual property, is offered in support of USPTO's ongoing education and outreach programming and Department of Commerce Innovation initiatives. The Institute, launched in 2014, is part of the USPTO's ongoing efforts to foster innovation, competitiveness and economic growth, domestically and abroad, by providing relevant intellectual property, innovation, and invention education resources to school administrators, teachers, students, and parents.

This change worksheet adds a new teaching program alongside the NSTI. As demand for this program has grown, so has interest in having programs occur throughout the year, not just in the summertime. The Master Teacher Invention Program (MTIP) will align and support the USPTO's mission to foster innovation, competitiveness, and economic growth domestically and abroad and deliver invention IP training to educators across the nation. The MTIP and NSTI together will build a network of qualified participants and intellectual property educators and enable them to become teacher-leaders. These teacher leaders will in turn provide professional development to U.S. educators who seek to learn more about invention and IP education. MTIP/NSTI teacher-leaders will share USPTO resources and practical classroom experience they learned through their implementation of lessons learned through either of these two programs.

The USPTO will use the same questions as those currently approved in the ICR to cover both programs; the pre-existing NSTI and the newly introduced MTIP. This includes the application, programs surveys, and the webinar/workshop survey for each of the two related programs. Within the MTIP information collections, mentions of "NSTI" will be replaced with "MTIP", along with associated dates of the program. The MTIP application will be distributed to 2,100 potential applicants and 900 selected participants, while only the selected participants will be asked to complete the aforementioned survey and webinar/workshop survey.

Burden Changes:

	Existing Burden	Proposed Change	Final Burden
Responses	13,700	+13,700	27,400
Hours	2,999	+2,999	5,998