OMB Non-Substantive Change Request Department: Commerce

Agency: Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA)

Title: Capital Readiness Program (CRP) Internal/External Client Engagement Form (OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0640-0002 Expiration Date: 01/31/2026)

The MBDA requests a non-substantive change to strike the "certification" language in the MBDA CRP Internal/External Client Engagement Form. This version would be used specifically for the Capital Readiness Program (CRP). We request approval for this change within 1 business day.

Background and Justification

The U.S. Department of Commerce Minority Business Development Agency's (MBDA) mission is to foster the growth and global competitiveness of minority business enterprises (MBEs). MBDA accomplishes its mission by funding and working cooperatively with Business Centers that assist clients with facilitating transactions through referrals, business consulting, contract bid/proposal preparation, loan packaging, and/or matching contract opportunities and capital sources (i.e., loans, equity, bonding, etc.). In addition, CRP awardees help clients with access to capital, access to networks, and capacity building to achieve their growth objectives by connecting them with prospective strategic partners through business-to-business matching, teaming arrangements, joint ventures, or other strategic advisory services.

Non-substantive changes are being made to this form in compliance with the Court's order in Nuziard v. MBDA.

Data Collection

The following non-substantive changes will not impact the scope of the collection:

- The "certification" language in the MBDA CRP Internal/External Client Engagement Form has been struck to comply with the Court's order in <u>Nuziard</u> v. MBDA.

Burden

- There is no change in respondent burden hours associated with this request.