

NMFS representatives. Applicants should not initiate any project in expectation of Federal funding until they receive a grant award document signed by an authorized NOAA official.

Unsuccessful applications will be held by the Program Office for a period of one year from the date of receipt and then destroyed.

#### V. Administrative Requirements

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification of Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements is contained in the **Federal Register** notice of October 1, 2001 (66 FR 49917), as amended by the **Federal Register** notice published on October 30, 2002 (67 FR 66109), is applicable to this solicitation. The notice advises applicants of their responsibilities as applicants for Federal assistance.

If costs are incurred prior to receiving an award agreement signed by an authorized NOAA official, applicants do so solely at their own risk of not being reimbursed by the Government.

Notwithstanding any verbal or written assurance that applicants have received, the Department of Commerce has no obligation to cover pre-award costs.

#### A. Obligations of Recipients (Successful Applicants)

Applicants awarded a grant for a project must:

1. Manage the day-to-day operations of the project, be responsible for the performance of all activities for which funds are granted, and be responsible for the satisfaction of all administrative and managerial conditions imposed by the award.

2. Keep records sufficient to document any costs incurred under the award, and allow access to these records for audit and examination by the Secretary of Commerce, the Comptroller General of the United States, or their authorized representatives; and, submit financial status reports (SF 269) to NOAA's Grants Management Division in accordance with the award conditions.

3. Submit annual reports, and for projects extending beyond a year, final reports within 90 days after completion of each project, to the individual identified as the NMFS Program Officer in the funding agreement. The final report must describe the project and include an evaluation of the work performed and the results and benefits in sufficient detail to enable us to assess the success of the completed project.

We are committed to using available technology to achieve the timely and wide distribution of final reports to those who would benefit from this information. Therefore, we suggest (but

do not require) that applicants submit final reports in electronic format for publication on the NMFS Protected Species Home Page. Should this prove impracticable, applicants must then submit three printed copies of the final report. Awardees can charge the costs associated with preparing and transmitting your final reports to the grant award.

4. In addition to the final report, we require that successful applicants publish the results of their work in a timely fashion in the peer-reviewed scientific literature (except in specific cases where publication is not relevant to the nature of the proposed work). NMFS request that awardees submit any publications printed with award funds (such as manuals, surveys, etc.) to the NMFS Program Officer for dissemination to the public. Publications should be submitted either as three hard copies or in an electronic version.

#### Classification

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comments are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) or any other law for this notice concerning grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. section 553(a)(2)).

Because notice and comment is not required under the APA, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required for purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. section 601 *et seq.*

This action has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Applications under this program are subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

This document contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the PRA. The use of Standard Forms 424, 424A, 424B, 424D, 269, SF-LLL, and CD-436 have been approved by OMB under the respective OMB control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040, 0348-0042, 0348-0039, 0348-0046, and 0605-0001.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**ACTION:** Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 19, 2003.

*Title, Form Number(s) and OMB Number:* Industrial Capabilities Questionnaire; DD Form 2737; OMB Control Number 0704-0377.

*Type of Request:* Reinstatement.

*Number of Respondents:* 12,800.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 12,800.

*Average Burden per Response:* 12 Hours.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 153,600.

*Needs and Uses:* The Industrial Capability Questionnaire will be used by all Services and Defense Logistics Agency to gather business, industrial capability (employment labor skills, facilities, equipment, processes and technology), and manufactured item information to conduct required industrial assessments and support DoD planning and decisions. The questionnaires are directed at key industrial facilities supporting DoD requirements.

*Affected Public:* Business or Other For-Profit.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*OMB Desk Officer:* Ms. Jacqueline Zeiher.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Zeiher at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

*DOD Clearance Officer:* Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR,