

ADDRESSES: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice, especially the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Treasury Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Additionally comments may be submitted to OMB via facsimile to (202) 395-7285.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) encourages the general public and affected Federal agencies to submit written comments and suggestions on proposed and/or continuing information collection requests pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13). Your comments should address one of the following four points:

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(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Title: Application for Extension of Bond for Temporary Importation.

OMB Number: 1651-0015.

Form Number: Customs Form—3173.

Abstract: Imported merchandise which is to remain in the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection territory for 1-year or less without duty payment is entered as a temporary importation. The importer may apply for an extension of this period on Customs Form—3173.

Current Actions: This submission is being submitted to extend the expiration date.

Type of Review: Extension (without change).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,200.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 14 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 348.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost on the Public: \$5,568.

If additional information is required contact: Tracey Denning, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Room 3.2.C, Washington, DC 20229, at 202-927-1429.

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Agency Clearance Officer, Information Services Branch.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Bureau of Customs and Border Protection

Agency Information Collection Activities: Application and Approval to Manipulate, Examine, Sample or Transfer Goods

AGENCY: Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comments requested.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) of the Department of Homeland Security has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995: Application and Approval to Manipulate, Examine, Sample or Transfer Goods. This is a proposed extension of an information collection that was previously approved. CBP is proposing that this information collection be extended with a change to the burden hours. This document is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 5697-5698) on February 4, 2003, allowing for a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 11, 2003.

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Title: Application & Approval to Manipulate, Examine, Sample, or Transfer Goods.

OMB Number: 1651-0006.

Form Number: Form-3499.

Abstract: CBP Form-3499 is prepared by importers or consignees as an application to request examination, sampling, or transfer of merchandise under CBP supervision. This form is also an application for the manipulation of merchandise in a bonded warehouse and abandonment or destruction of merchandise.

Current Actions: This submission is being submitted to extend the expiration date, with a change to the expiration date.

Type of Review: Extension (with change).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 151,140.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 6 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 15,114.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost on the Public: \$302,280.

If additional information is required contact: Tracey Denning, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, 1300