

accompanied the NAFTA Implementation Act stated that any interested person may submit to CITA a request for a modification to a particular rule of origin based on a change in the availability in North America of a particular fiber, yarn or fabric and that the requesting party would bear the burden of demonstrating that a change is warranted. The SAA provides that CITA may make a recommendation to the President regarding a change to a rule of origin for a textile or apparel good. The NAFTA Implementation Act provides the President with the authority to proclaim modifications to the NAFTA rules of origin as are necessary to implement an agreement with one or more NAFTA country on such a modification.

On July 10, 2003, the Chairman of CITA received a petition from Amicale Industries, Inc. alleging that certain yarns of carded cashmere or of carded camel hair, classified in HTSUS heading 5108.10.60, cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner and requesting that the President proclaim a modification of the NAFTA rules of origin. The referenced yarns would be used to produce woven fabrics classified in HTS subheadings 5111.11 and 5111.19 for use in suits, coats and suit-type jackets classified under HTS subheadings 6201.11, 6202.11, 6203.11, 6203.31, 6204.11 and 6204.31. Such a proclamation may be made only after reaching agreement with the other NAFTA countries on the modification.

CITA is soliciting public comments regarding this request, particularly with respect to whether the yarns of cashmere or of camel hair described above, classified in HTSUS heading 5108.10.60, can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. The petition states that potential North American suppliers of the referenced yarns would be required to deliver them within 21 days of receipt of a purchase order. To ensure full consideration, comments must be received no later than September 19, 2003. Interested persons are invited to submit six copies of such comments or information to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, room 3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

If a comment alleges that yarns of carded cashmere or of carded camel hair can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner, CITA will closely review any supporting documentation, such as a signed statement by a

manufacturer of the yarn stating that it produces the yarn that is in the subject of the request, including the quantities that can be supplied and the time necessary to fill an order, as well as any relevant information regarding past production.

CITA will protect any business confidential information that is marked business confidential from disclosure to the full extent permitted by law. CITA will make available to the public non-confidential versions of the request and non-confidential versions of any public comments received with respect to a request in room 3100 in the Herbert Hoover Building, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230. Persons submitting comments on a request are encouraged to include a non-confidential version and a non-confidential summary.

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Proposed Agency Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed collection of information that DOE is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before October 20, 2003. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that

period, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be sent to (1) Lorena F. Truett, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, P.O. Box 2008, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-6073; or by fax to (865) 574-3851; or by e-mail to [TruettLF@ORNL.gov](mailto:TruettLF@ORNL.gov); and to (2) Sharon Evelin, Acting Director, Records Management Division IM-11/ Germantown Bldg., Office of Business and Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585-1290.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Lorena F. Truett, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, phone (865) 574-4225, fax (865) 574-3851, e-mail [TruettLF@ORNL.gov](mailto:TruettLF@ORNL.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This package contains the following supplementary information:

- (1) *OMB No.:* NEW.
- (2) *Package Title:* Hydrogen, Fuel Cells & Infrastructure Technologies Program Baseline Knowledge Assessment.
- (3) *Type of Review:* New collection.
- (4) *Purpose:* The Baseline Knowledge Assessment for the DOE Hydrogen, Fuel Cells & Infrastructure Technologies (HFC&IT) program will measure the levels of and changes in awareness and understanding of hydrogen and fuel cell technologies and the hydrogen economy within four target populations: (1) The general public, (2) students and educators, (3) personnel in state and local governments, and (4) potential users of hydrogen fuel and technologies in business and industry. Four distinct information collections will be required, one for each of the target populations. These collections will be conducted in stages, with the general public study conducted first. Changes relative to baseline knowledge levels will be determined when, after three years, each population group will be surveyed again using the same survey instrument and methodology. The instrument for assessing baseline knowledge will be specifically targeted to the population group. The public survey, for example, will assess a general knowledge of the production, storage, delivery, applications, and safety of hydrogen and fuel cells. Information gathered in this assessment will assist the HFC&IT program in formulating an overall education plan for hydrogen technologies. It will also provide a baseline for determining changes in public awareness and understanding of