

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****GENERAL SERVICES  
ADMINISTRATION****NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND  
SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0005]

**Proposed Collection; Comment  
Request Entitled Architect-Engineer  
and Related Services Questionnaire for  
Specific Project (SF 255)**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Architect-Engineer and Related Services Questionnaire for Specific Project (SF 255). The clearance currently expires on April 30, 1999.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before February 22, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRS), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0005, Architect-Engineer and Related Services Questionnaire for Specific Project (SF 255), in all correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jack O'Neill, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3856.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****A. Purpose**

Standard Form 255 is used by all Executive agencies to obtain information from architect-engineer (A-E) firms interested in a particular project. The information on the form is reviewed by a selection panel composed of professional people and assists the panel in selecting the most qualified A-E firm to perform the specific project. The form is designed to provide a uniform method for A-E firms to submit

information on experience, personnel, capabilities of the A-E firm to perform, along with information on the consultants they expect to collaborate with on the specific project.

**B. Annual Reporting Burden**

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.2 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 5,000; responses per respondent, 4; total annual responses, 20,000; preparation hours per response, 1.2; and total response burden hours, 24,000.

**Obtaining Copies of Proposals**

Requester may obtain a copy of the justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRS), Room 4035, 1800 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 208-7312. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0005, Architect-Engineer and Related Services Questionnaire for Specific Project (SF 255), in all correspondence.

Dated: December 17, 1998.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Office of the Secretary****Proposed collection; Comment  
Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) announces the proposed reinstatement of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and

clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by February 22, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the TRICARE Management Activity, Special Contract Operations Branch, ATTN: Terri Katsouranis, 16401 East Centretech Parkway, Aurora, CO 80011-9043.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call the Special Contract Operations Branch at (303) 676-3444.

*Title Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Continued Health Care Benefit Program; OMB Number 0704-0364.

*Needs and uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary for individuals to apply for enrollment in the Continued Health Care Benefit Program (CHCBP). The CHCBP is a program of temporary health benefit coverage comparable to the health benefits provided for former civilian employees of the Federal Government.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 150.

*Number of Respondents:* 600 per year.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden Per Response:* 15 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Summary of Information Collection**

Respondents are beneficiaries who lose their Military Health System entitlement who desire to enroll in the Continued Health Care Benefits Program. These beneficiaries include former active duty members and their families, unmarried former spouses, emancipated children, and children placed for adoption or legal custody. This form is used to apply for enrollment in the Continued Health Care Benefit Program of temporary health benefit coverage comparable to the health benefits provided for former civilian employees of the Federal Government.