DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).


Title: Patent Examiner Employment Application.

Form Number(s): N/A.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 3,500 hours annually.

Number of Respondents: 7,000 responses per year.

Average Hours per Response: 30 minutes. The USPTO estimates that it will take the public approximately 30 minutes (0.50) to gather and prepare the necessary information, and submit the electronic employment application.

Needs and Uses: The Patent Examiner Employment Application, as administered through the USA Staffing system provided by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), is used by the public to apply for entry-level patent examiner positions in a user-friendly process. The USPTO uses the electronic transmission of this information to review and rate applicants on-line almost instantaneously. It is also used by the USPTO to expedite the hiring process by eliminating the time used in the mail distribution process, thereby streamlining labor and reducing costs.

Affect ed Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395–3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by any of the following methods:

E-mail: Susan.Fawcett@uspto.gov.
Include "0651–0042 copy request" in the subject line of the message.

Fax: 571–273–0112, marked to the attention of Susan K. Fawcett.

Mail: Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Customer Information Services Group, Public Information Services Division, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before July 18, 2008 to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 11, 2008.

Susan K. Fawcett,
Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Customer Information Services Group, Public Information Services Division.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Renewal of the Global Markets

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.


SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission has determined to renew the charter of its Global Markets Advisory Committee. As required by sections 9(a)(2) and 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, §§ 9(a)(2) and 14(a)(2)(A), and 41 CFR 101–6.1007 and 101–6.1029, the Commission has consulted with the Committee Management Secretariat of the General Services Administration. The Commission certifies that the renewal of this advisory committee is necessary and is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Commission by the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. 1, et seq., as amended. This notice is published pursuant to section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, § 9(a)(2), and 41 CFR 101–6.1015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Martin B. White, Committee Management Officer, at 202–418–5129.

Written comments should be submitted to David A. Stawick, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington, DC 20581.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Global Markets Advisory Committee is to provide the Commission with input on international market issues that affect the integrity and competitiveness of U.S. futures markets. The advisory committee also serves as a channel for communication between the Commission and U.S. and foreign markets, firms and end users involved in and affected by futures market globalization.

Contemporaneously with publication of this notice in the Federal Register, a copy of the renewal charter of the Global Markets Advisory Committee will be filed with the Commission, the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry and the House Committee on Agriculture. A copy of the renewal charter will be furnished to the Library of Congress and to the Committee Management Secretariat and will be posted on the Commission’s Web site at http://www.cftc.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC, on June 12, 2008, by the Commission.

David A. Stawick,
Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 18, 2008.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency’s ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and