DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0196]

[Docket No. 2020-0053; Sequence No. 2]

Information Collection; Payments to Small Business Subcontractors

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations, DoD, GSA, and NASA invite the public to comment on a revision and renewal concerning payments to small business subcontractors. DoD, GSA, and NASA invite comments on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of Federal Government acquisitions, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the
burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. OMB has approved this information collection for use through April 30, 2020. DoD, GSA, and NASA propose that OMB extend its approval for use for three additional years beyond the current expiration date.

DATES: DoD, GSA, and NASA will consider all comments received by [Insert date 60 days after date of publication in the Federal Register.]

ADDRESSES: DoD, GSA, and NASA invite interested persons to submit comments on this collection by either of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: This website provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the instructions on the site.

- Mail: General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20405. ATTN: Lois Mandell/IC 9000-0196, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors.
Instructions: All items submitted must cite Information Collection 9000-0196, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors. Comments received generally will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check www.regulations.gov, approximately two-to-three days after submission to verify posting (except allow 30 days for posting of comments submitted by mail).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Zenaida Delgado, Procurement Analyst, at telephone 202-969-7207, or zenaida.delgado@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. OMB control number, Title, and any Associated Form(s):

9000-0196, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors.

B. Need and Uses

This clearance covers the information that contractors must submit to comply with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clause at 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors. This clause requires the prime contractor to self-report to the contracting officer when the prime contractor makes late or reduced payments to small business subcontractors. The notice shall include the
reason(s) for making the reduced or untimely payment. The contracting officer uses the information to record the identity of contractors with a history of late or reduced payments to small business subcontractors in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS). The contracting officer considers and evaluates the contractor's written explanation for a reduced or an untimely payment to determine whether the reduced or untimely payment is justified.

C. Annual Burden

Respondents: 473.

Total Annual Responses: 473.

Total Burden Hours: 946.

OBTAINING COPIES: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202-501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0196, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors, in all correspondence.

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