



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket DARS-2023-0036; OMB Control Number 0704-0497]

**Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition
Regulation Supplement; Part 215 Negotiation**

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of
Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed
extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of
1995, DoD announces the proposed extension of a public
information collection requirement and seeks public comment on
the provisions thereof. *DoD invites comments on:* whether the
proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper
performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the
information will have practical utility; the accuracy of DoD's
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 through the
use of automated collection techniques or other forms of
information technology. The Office of Management and Budget
(OMB) has approved this information collection for use under
Control Number 0704-0497 through January 31, 2024. DoD proposes

that OMB approve an extension of the information collection requirement, to expire three years after the approval date.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]**.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0704-0497, using any of the following methods:

- o Federal eRulemaking Portal: <https://www.regulations.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- o Email: osd.dfars@mail.mil. Include OMB Control Number 0704-0245 in the subject line of the message.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jon Snyder, 703-945-5341.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 215 Negotiation; OMB Control Number 0704-0497.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 157

Responses per Respondent: 1

Annual Responses: 157

Average Burden Per Response: 4 hours

Annual Burden Hours: 628

Frequency: On Occasion.

Needs and Uses: DFARS 215.403-5 provides contractors with guidance for the submittal of forward pricing rate proposals, including a checklist for contractors to use in preparing their proposals. The checklist is submitted to DoD with the forward pricing rate proposal. The purpose of this information collection is to improve the efficiency of the negotiations process by ensuring the submission of thorough, accurate, and complete forward pricing rate proposals. If the contracting officer determines that a forward pricing rate proposal should be obtained pursuant to Federal Acquisition Regulation 42.1701, then contractors following the contract cost principles for commercial organizations in FAR subpart 31.2 will be required to submit a forward pricing rate proposal that complies with Federal Acquisition Regulation 15.408, Table 15-2, and DFARS 215.403-5 and 215.407-5-70. The forward pricing rate proposal adequacy checklist at Table 215.403-1 is used by the contracting officer and the contractor to ensure the proposal is complete. The completed forward pricing rate proposal adequacy checklist will be submitted to DoD with the forward pricing rate proposal.

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