DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2009-HA-0150]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, Dod

ACTION: Notice of action.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs announces a proposed new public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the 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. DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by December 15,

ADDRESSES: Written comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail*: Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1160.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal**Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the general public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposed and associated collection instruments, please write to Health Program Analysis and Evaluation/TRICARE Management Activity, ATTN: LTC Lorraine Babeu USA, 5111 Leesburg Pike, Five Skyline

Place, Suite 510, Falls Church, Virginia 22041–3206.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: TRICARE Award Fee Provider Survey; OMB Control Number 0720– TBD.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to obtain and record TRICARE network civilian provider-user satisfaction with the administrative processes/services of managed care support contractors (MCSC) in the three TRICARE regions within the United States. The survey will obtain provider opinions regarding claims processing, customer service, and administrative support by the TRICARE regional contractors. The reports of findings from these surveys, coupled with performance criteria from other sources, will be used by the TRICARE Regional Administrative Contracting Officers to determine award

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 50. Number of Respondents: 600 (150 respondents will be surveyed each quarter).

Responses per Respondent: 1. Average Burden per Response: 5 minutes.

Frequency: Quarterly.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:Summary of Information Collection

The Health Program Analysis and Evaluation Directorate (HPA&E) under the authority of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs)/TRICARE Management Activity will undertake a survey of TRICARE network providers to ask a series of questions regarding satisfaction with the TRICARE Health Plan. For these purposes, a provider is defined as a person, business, or institution that provides health care. For example, a doctor, hospital, or ambulance company is a provider. Providers must be authorized under TRICARE regulations and have their status certified by the regional contractors to provide services to TRICARE beneficiaries.

TRICARE Management Activity, the Defense Department activity that administers the health care plan for the uniformed services, retirees and their families, serves more than 9.4 million eligible beneficiaries worldwide in the Military Health System. TRICARE supplements the health care resources of the uniformed services with networks of civilian professionals to provide high-quality health care services while maintaining the capability to support military operations. The TRICARE Management Activity has partnered

with civilian regional contractors in the three U.S regions to provide these health care services and support to beneficiaries.

DoD has delegated oversight of the civilian provider network to the TRICARE Regional Offices. To improve DoD's oversight of the civilian provider network, the General Accounting Office (GAO) (Defense Health Care: Oversight of the Tricare Civilian Provider Network Should Be Improved; GAO-03-928; July 31, 2003) has recommended the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs to explore options for improving the civilian provider surveys so that the results of the surveys could be useful to DoD and to the contractors in identifying civilian provider concerns and developing actions that might mitigate concerns and help ensure the adequacy of the civilian provider network.

As a result, the new MCSC incorporate an incentive award fee component. The determination of the award fee is through an evaluation by the Government that rewards contractor performance that exceeds contract requirements. For assessment of awards, activities will include, in part, the collection and analyses of survey data obtained confidentially via telephone from network civilian providers within U.S. regions. The goal of this survey effort is to provide regional Administrative Contracting Officers with information on provider-user satisfaction with the administrative processes/services of MCSC. Specifically, confidential telephone surveys of civilian network providers will be conducted that focus on three basic business functions provided of claims processing, customer service, and administrative services by the MCSC.

Dated: October 8, 2009.

Patricia L. Toppings,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Availability of the Fiscal Year 2008
Washington Headquarters Services
(WHS) Services Contract Inventory

AGENCY: Washington Headquarters Services, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 2330a of Title 10 United States Code as

amended by the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (NDAA 08) section 807, the Director of Washington Headquarters Services (WHS), in cooperation with the Director of the Acquisition and Procurement Office (WHS/A&PO), and the Office of the Director, Defense Procurement, Acquisition Policy and Strategic Sourcing (DPAP) will make available to the public its inventory of activities performed pursuant to contracts for services. The inventory will be published to the WHS/A&PO Web site at the following location: http:// www.whs.mil/APO/.

DATES: Inventory publically available starting October 7, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments and suggestions concerning this inventory to Ken Sateriale, DOD/Washington
Headquarters Services, Acquisition and Procurement Office, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301.
Telephone (703) 696–3870 or e-mail at Kenneth.Sateriale@whs.mil.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Sateriale, (703) 696–3870 or e-mail at Kenneth.Sateriale@whs.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NDAA 08, section 807 amends section 2330a of Title 10 United States Code to require annual inventories and reviews of activities performed under services contracts. The WHS/A&PO submitted its Fiscal Year 2008 Services Contract Inventory to DPAP on August 28, 2009. Included with this inventory is a narrative that describes the methodology used to populate the Inventory data fields. The Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology) (DUSD(AT)) transmitted WHS's inventory to Congress on September 29, 2009. The inventory does not include contract numbers, contractor identification or other proprietary or sensitive information as this data can be used to disclose a contractor's proprietary proposal information.

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Meeting of the Defense Business Board (DBB)

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Meeting notice; cancellation.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense published an announcement of a meeting of the Defense Business Board (DBB) on October 1, 2009 (74 FR 50782–50783). The meeting was scheduled for October 22, 2009. This meeting has been cancelled. This meeting may be rescheduled and announced at a later date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Debora Duffy, Defense Business Board, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Room 5B–1088A, Washington, DC 20301–1155, Debora.duffy@osd.mil, (703) 697–2168.

Dated: October 7, 2009.

Patricia L. Toppings,

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Reserve Forces Policy Board (RFPB)

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense Reserve Forces Policy Board, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of advisory committee meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.150, the Department of Defense announces that the Reserve Forces Policy Board (RFPB) will meet November 12–13, 2009. The meeting is open to the public, depending on the availability of space.

DATES: The meeting will be held on November 12 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on November 13, 2009, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Pentagon, Conference Room 3E863, Arlington, VA.

Mailing address is Reserve Forces Policy Board, 7300 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330–7300.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Col. Marjorie Davis, Designated Federal Officer, (703) 697–4486 (Voice), (703) 614–0504 (Facsimile),

marjorie.davis@osd.mil. Mailing address is Reserve Forces Policy Board, 7300 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–7300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda:

The RFPB will hold this quarterly meeting to discuss future demographics

and the impact on the Reserve Components, as well other issues relevant to the Reserve Components.

Meeting Accessibility:
Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space this meeting is open to the public. To request a seat, contact the DFO in advance at 703–697–4486, or by e-mail, marjorie.davis@osd.mil no later than 30 October 2009.

Written Statements:

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the membership of the RFPB at any time or in response to the stated agenda of a planned meeting. Written statements should be submitted to the RFPB's Designated Federal Officer (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT). The Designated Federal Officer's contact information can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database—https://www.fido.gov/facadatabase/public.asp.

Written statements that do not pertain to a scheduled meeting of the RFPB may be submitted at any time. However, if individual comments pertain to a specific topic being discussed at a planned meeting then these statements must be submitted no later than five business days prior to the meeting in question. The Designated Federal Officer will review all submitted written statements and provide copies to all the committee members.

Dated: October 8, 2009.

Patricia L. Toppings,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Privacy Act of 1974; Notice of a Computer Matching Program

AGENCY: Defense Manpower Data Center, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of a computer matching program; correction.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense published an announcement of a computer matching program on August 7, 2009 (74 FR 39647–39649). This notice is being published to correct the first paragraph of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section that describes the purpose of the computer matching agreement. All other information remains the same.