

ATTACHMENT A

**Department of Commerce
United States Census Bureau
Annual Survey of Manufactures (ASM)
OMB Control No. 0607-0449**

Draft Letters

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A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:

We request your participation with the **2018 Report of Organization** and the **2018 Annual Survey of Manufactures**. The Report of Organization is used to update the Census Bureau's list of businesses, and provides key source data for the County Business Patterns program and other statistical series. Companies, business analysts, and trade associations use this information in planning investments, production, and marketing. The Annual Survey of Manufactures collects key data about the manufacturing sector of the nation's economy. These data are used to develop accurate estimates of domestic output and productivity, and they serve as a valuable resource for making sound decisions on economic trade policies.

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YOUR RESPONSE IS REQUIRED BY LAW and will be kept strictly **CONFIDENTIAL**. We estimate the time to complete the Report of Organization varies from 30 minutes for the smallest companies to 25 hours for the largest companies, with an average of 3 hours 31 minutes. We estimate the time to complete the Annual Survey of Manufactures to be 3 hours 30 minutes. Additional information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

For assistance with completing these surveys, please sign into your Census Bureau account or call our customer help line at 1-844-303-7713, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Eastern time.

Thank you in advance for your time and participation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people, places, and economy.

Sincerely,

Steven D. Dillingham
Director

OMB Number

This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB approval number for the Report of Organization is 0607-0444, and for the Annual Survey of Manufactures is 0607-0449. These numbers appear in the top right corner of each reporting screen. Without these approvals, we could not conduct these surveys.

Authority and Confidentiality

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Burden Estimate Statement

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ASCO-L1R
(04-08-2019)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Economics and Statistics Administration
U.S. Census Bureau
Washington, DC 20233-0001

DUE DATE REMINDER

Recently, the U.S. Census Bureau mailed you a letter asking you to complete the **2018 Report of Organization** and **2018 Annual Survey of Manufactures**. If you have submitted these surveys in the past few weeks, **thank you**. If you have not yet reported, please do so before the due date noted below.

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NOTICE OF FAILURE TO PROVIDE MANDATORY CENSUS BUREAU REPORT

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Your company has received repeated requests for this information and to date a response has not been received. If you recently reported, you can verify your filing status by logging into your account at <https://portal.census.gov> and clicking on "Options" and then "Filing Status."

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If you do not comply with this final request, your case may be submitted to the U.S. Department of Justice for further action.

Online reporting is easy and secure using the account that you set up according to the instructions below. For assistance with meeting the mandatory filing requirement, please contact our toll-free customer help line at 1-844-303-7713, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Eastern time.

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Account Manager:

Upon receipt of this letter, please report within 10 days following these steps:

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Thank you in advance for your time and participation.

Respectfully,

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Michael A. Cannon
Acting Chief Counsel for Economic Affairs



NOTICE OF FAILURE TO PROVIDE MANDATORY RESPONSE

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After reporting, we invite you to review the useful data and analysis tools available to aid and inform businesses such as yours by visiting the Census Bureau's website at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/cos.html> and <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/asm.html>.

Thank you in advance for your time and participation.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nick Orsini". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "N" and "O".

Nick Orsini
Associate Director for Economic Programs
U.S. Census Bureau



A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:

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