

January 6, 2025

Mr. Michael Hoover  
Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau  
1310 G Street, NW Box 12  
Washington, DC 20005

RE: *Federal Register* notice of November 29, 2024, for the Form 5220.6, Monthly Report – Importer of Tobacco Products or Processed Tobacco (OMB Number: 1513-0107)

Dear Mr. Hoover:

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) supports the continued collection of data by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau on Form 5220.6, Monthly Report – Importer of Tobacco Products or Processed Tobacco. The data collected on these forms help inform key components of BEA's economic statistics, specifically personal consumption expenditures (PCE).

BEA references information from these forms to validate estimates of monthly personal consumption expenditures of tobacco in the national income and product accounts that are prepared using retail sales indicators.

Please keep BEA informed about any modifications to these forms. We are particularly interested in any modifications proposed during the forms' approval process that would substantially affect our use of these data. For additional information, please contact Tiffany Burrell, Source Data Coordinator, on 301-278-9618 or by e-mail at [Tiffany.Burrell@bea.gov](mailto:Tiffany.Burrell@bea.gov). Should you need assistance in justifying this form to the Office of Management and Budget, please do not hesitate to contact BEA.

Sincerely,

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