

DIRECTIVE NO. 9¹¹

STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION OF ENTERPRISES

The Enterprise Standard Industrial Classification is to be used to classify enterprises by kind of economic activity in which engaged. The classification of enterprises, rather than their constituent establishments, is required for purposes of compiling and analyzing financial and related statistics (such as income, expense and balance sheet items) which are commonly available only on an enterprise basis.

¹¹ Directive No. 9 supersedes section 7(e) of OMB Circular No. A-46 dated May 3, 1974.

The structure of the classification makes it possible to publish data on enterprises by industry on a division, two-digit, three-digit, or four-digit basis, according to the degree of industrial detail available and needed. The details of the classification are presented in *Enterprise Standard Industrial Classification 1974*, issued by the Office of Management and Budget and available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, Stock No. 4101-00093.