

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Food and Drug Administration**

[Docket No. 97N-0025]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Announcement of OMB Approval

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a collection of information entitled, "Medical Devices Standards Activities Report" has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This document announces the OMB approval number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margaret R. Wolff, Office of Information Resources Management (HFA-250), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 16B-19, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-1223.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of February 21, 1997 (62 FR 8024), the agency announced that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB for review and clearance under section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507). OMB has approved the information collection and has assigned OMB control number 0910-0219. The approval expires on April 30, 2000. Under 5 CFR 1320.5(b), an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Dated: May 21, 1997.

William K. Hubbard,

Associate Commissioner for Policy Coordination.

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Name of SEP: Review of Conference Grant (R13) (Telephone Conference Call).

Date: June 11, 1997.*Time:* 1:00 p.m.

Place: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, North Campus, Building 17 Conference Room 1713, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Contact Person: Dr. John Braun, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (919) 541-1446.

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

This notice is being published less than fifteen days prior to this meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the grant/contract review and funding cycle.

Name of SEP: Review of Conference Grant (R13) (Telephone Conference Call).

Date: June 24, 1997.*Time:* 1:00 p.m.

Place: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, North Campus, Building 17, Conference Room 1713, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Contact Person: Dr. John Braun, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (919) 541-1446.

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

These meetings will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C. Grant applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Programs Nos. 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Agents; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing; 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation; 93.894, Resource and Manpower Development, National Institutes of Health.)

Dated: May 23, 1997.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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Biennial Report on Carcinogens. The NTP solicits and encourages the broadest participation from interested individuals or parties in nominating agents, substances or mixtures for listing in or delisting from the BRC. The criteria for listing or for removing an agent substance or mixture in the Biennial Report on Carcinogens were revisited during 1994 and 1995 in a series of open public meetings. In recognition of the advances made in understanding the biological events involved in carcinogenesis, it was recommended that the criteria for listing an agent be expanded to include a broader array of information related to the carcinogenic process. The revised criteria for listing a substance in the Biennial Report on Carcinogens were approved by the Secretary, HHS on September 13, 1996, and are as follows:

1. Known To Be Human Carcinogens

There is sufficient evidence of carcinogenicity from studies in humans which indicates a causal relationship between exposure to the agent, substance or mixture and human cancer.

2. Reasonably Anticipated To Be Human Carcinogens

There is limited evidence of carcinogenicity from studies in humans which indicates that causal interpretation is credible but that alternative explanations such as chance, bias or confounding factors could not adequately be excluded; or

There is sufficient evidence of carcinogenicity from studies in experimental animals which indicates there is an increased incidence of malignant and/or a combination of malignant and benign tumors: (1) In multiple species, or at multiple tissue sites, or (2) by multiple routes of exposure, or (3) to an unusual degree with regard to incidence, site or type of tumor or age at onset; or

There is less than sufficient evidence of carcinogenicity in humans or laboratory animals, however; the agent, substance or mixture belongs to a well defined, structurally-related class of substances whose members are listed in a previous Annual or Biennial Report on Carcinogens as either a known to be human carcinogen, or reasonably anticipated to be human carcinogen or there is convincing relevant information that the agent acts through mechanisms indicating it would likely cause cancer in humans.

Conclusions regarding carcinogenicity in humans or experimental animals are based on scientific judgment, with consideration given to all relevant information. Relevant information

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**National Institutes of Health****National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; Notice of Closed Meetings**

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Emphasis Panel (SEP) meetings:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Public Health Service****National Toxicology Program; Call for Nominations for Listing or Delisting Substances in the Biennial Report on Carcinogens (BRC)****Background**

The National Toxicology Program (NTP) has the responsibility within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for preparation of the

includes, but is not limited to dose response, route of exposure, chemical structure, metabolism, pharmacokinetics, sensitive sub populations, genetic effects, or other data relating to mechanism of action or factors that may be unique to a given substance. For example, there may be substances for which there is evidence of carcinogenicity in laboratory animals but there are compelling data indicating that the agent acts through mechanisms which do not operate in humans and would therefore not reasonably be anticipated to cause cancer in humans.

Call for Nominations

Petitions for listing or delisting an agent, substance, or mixture in the BRC may be submitted by any interested individual or party and should be sent to the National Toxicology Program, Biennial Report on Carcinogens, MD WC-05, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. Petitions must contain a rationale for listing or delisting as either a "known human carcinogen" or a "reasonably anticipated human carcinogen". Appropriate background information and relevant data (e.g. Journal articles, NTP Technical Reports, IARC listings, exposure surveys, release inventories, etc.) which support a petition should be provided or referenced when possible.

A detailed description of listing/delisting procedures, including the steps in the formal review process, can be obtained by contacting: Dr. C. W. Jameson, National Toxicology program, Biennial Report on Carcinogens, MD WC-05, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709; phone (919) 541-4096, fax: (919) 541-2242, email: jameson@niehs.nih.gov. Any questions regarding the process, procedures, or the information contained herein may also be directed to Dr. Jameson.

The most recent Report (the 7th Annual Report on Carcinogens) was published in 1994 and may be obtained by contacting: NTP Central Data Management, P.O. Box 12233, MD E1-02, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. The 8th BRC is nearing completion and will be published in 1997. All nominations received in 1997 are expected to receive consideration and review in 1997 and 1998 and any new listings or delistings would be included in the 9th BRC to be published in 1999.

Dated: May 20, 1997.

Kenneth Olden,

Director, National Toxicology Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4210-C-02]

Notice of Funding Availability for Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS; Correction

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: In the NOFA published on Wednesday, May 7, 1997 (62 FR 25082), one provision concerning compliance with a court order involving Dallas, Texas was not stated clearly enough. This document corrects the language to make it clear that two bonus points are available for an application from Dallas that would address issues of racial segregation in low income housing.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: To correct an inadvertent error in stating how points are determined with respect to responsiveness to the needs of clients, the last sentence of paragraph II, (c)(2)(C)(ii)(f) of the NOFA (FR-Doc. 97-11881) published on May 7, 1997, in the third column of page 25090 (lines 8 through 11), is revised to read as follows: "HUD may add up to 2 points, based on this consideration, to the points otherwise available under this criterion."

Dated: May 20, 1997.

Jacquie Lawing,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Availability of an Environmental Assessment and Receipt of an Application for a Permit To Authorize Incidental Take of the Threatened Northern Spotted Owl by Ribar Timberlands, Humboldt County, California

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that Ribar Timberlands of Humboldt County, California (Applicant) has applied to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an incidental take permit pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The application has been assigned permit number PRT-828760. The requested permit would

authorize the incidental take of northern spotted owls (*Strix occidentalis caurina*) (owls) that may occur in or near the project area in Humboldt County, California, as a result of the Applicant's timber-management activities. A Habitat Conservation Plan, including an Implementing Agreement, was submitted as part of the application in accordance with section 10(a) of the Act. The Service specifically requests comments on the appropriateness of the "No Surprises" assurances contained in this application (see sections II.D.1 and III.K of the Implementing Agreement).

The Service also announces the availability of an Environmental Assessment for the proposed issuance of the incidental take permit and approval of the Habitat Conservation Plan. All comments received will become part of the public record and may be released. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Act and National Environmental Policy Act regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

DATES: Written comments on the permit application and Environmental Assessment should be received on or before June 30, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding the application or Environmental Assessment should be addressed to Mr. Bruce Halstead, Project Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Coastal California Fish and Wildlife Office, 1125 16 Street, Room 209, Arcata, California 95521; (707) 822-7201. Please refer to permit number PRT-828760 when submitting comments. Individuals wishing copies of the application package or Environmental Assessment for review should immediately contact the office listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Ken Hoffman, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, at the above address; telephone (707) 822-7201.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under section 9 of the Act and its implementing regulations, "taking" of threatened and endangered species is prohibited. However, the Service, under limited circumstances, may issue permits to take threatened or endangered wildlife species if such taking is incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise lawful activities. Regulations governing permits for threatened and endangered species are codified in 50 CFR 17.32 and 17.22, respectively.

The Applicant has requested that the Service issue an incidental take permit and approve the Habitat Conservation Plan, authorizing incidental take of owls that may result from their proposed timber harvest on the 1,384-acre project