

IV. Does the Public Meeting Apply to Me?

The meeting on January 26, 2005, is open to the general public, and may be of interest to persons who are or may be required to perform analytical test measurements for reporting and compliance under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) under the CWA, including regulated industry, environmental groups, State governments, publicly owned treatment works (POTWs) and environmental laboratories. Since various individuals or groups may be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please consult the individual identified under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

V. How Can I Get Copies of This Document and Other Related

Information?

You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. You may obtain an electronic copy of the *Situation Assessment Report on Detection and Quantitation Approaches and Uses in Clean Water Act (CWA) Programs* on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/waterscience/methods/det/>. This document will be available as soon as possible, but no later than January 4, 2005. The docket number is OW-2004-0041. If you require a printed copy of the report, contact the individual identified under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

VI. How May I Participate in This Meeting?

Members of the general public are encouraged to attend this meeting in person. Anyone wishing to participate via teleconference should contact the individual listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** at least 5 business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Members of the general public are invited to pose questions on the Situation Assessment Report. Each individual or group wishing to make prepared comments should submit their request to the individual listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** before the date of the meeting in order to be included in the meeting agenda. The request should identify the name of the individual making the presentation, the organization (if any) the individual will represent, and any requirements for audiovisual equipment (e.g., overhead

projector, 35mm projector, chalkboard). Each speaker should bring 30 copies of his or her comments and presentation slides for distribution at the meeting. Other interested persons who did not pre-register may also present prepared comments at the meeting if time permits. Seating at the meeting will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Individuals requiring special accommodations at this meeting, including wheelchair access and assistance for the hearing impaired, should contact the individual listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** at least 5 business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 136

Environmental protection, Analytical methods, Wastewater, NPDES, FACAs.

Dated: December 22, 2004.

Geoffrey H. Grubbs,

Director, Office of Science and Technology.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

41 CFR Part 105

[GSPMR 2004-105-1]

General Services Administration Property Management Regulations; Privacy Act of 1974; New System of Records Exemption

AGENCY: Office of Inspector General, General Services Administration (GSA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The GSA Office of Inspector General (OIG) proposes to amend the General Services Administration Property Management Regulation (GSPMR) to exempt the new system of records for which a Privacy Act notice is being published concurrently with this notice in the **Federal Register**. The proposed new system of records consists of the investigatory files of the OIG's Office of Internal Evaluation. Due to the law enforcement nature of the records, a proposed rule amendment is required in order to invoke the relevant exemptions under the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C 552a). By relieving the OIG of certain information disclosure provisions, the exemption will help ensure that the OIG may efficiently and effectively perform internal investigations and other authorized duties and activities.

DATES: Interested parties should submit comments in writing on or before

January 28, 2005 to be considered in the formulation of a final rule.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted to the Office of Counsel to the Inspector General (JC), Office of Inspector General, General Services Administration, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405. Please refer to GSPMR case 2004-105-1 in any correspondence relating to this rule amendment. Comments also may be submitted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal, <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: GSA Privacy Act Officer, General Services Administration, Office of the Chief People Officer, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405; telephone (202) 501-1452.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

Elsewhere in today's **Federal Register**, an OIG notice is published proposing the establishment of the new system of records "Internal Evaluation Case Files," (GSA/ADM-25), under the Privacy Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 552a. This proposed amendment of 41 CFR 105-64.6 is necessary to exempt the new system of records from the provisions of the Act that require, among other things, that the OIG provide notice when collecting information, account for certain disclosures, permit individuals access to their records, and allow them to request that the records be amended. These provisions would interfere with the conduct of OIG internal investigations if applied to the OIG's maintenance of the proposed system of records.

Accordingly, the OIG proposes to exempt the system of records under sections (j)(2) and (k)(2) of the Privacy Act. Section (j)(2), 5 U.S.C. 552a(j)(2), exempts a system of records maintained by "the agency or component thereof which performs as its principal function any activity pertaining to enforcement of criminal laws * * *." Section (k)(2), 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2), exempts a system of records consisting of "investigatory materials compiled for law enforcement purposes," where such materials are not within the scope of the (j)(2) exemption pertaining to criminal law enforcement.

Where applicable, section (j)(2) may be invoked to exempt a system of records from any Privacy Act provision except: 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) (conditions of disclosure); (c)(1) and (2) (accounting of disclosures and retention of accounting, respectively); (e)(4)(A) through (F) (system notice requirements); (e)(6), (7), (9), (10), and (11) (certain agency requirements relating to system

maintenance); and (i) (criminal penalties). Section (k)(2) may be invoked to exempt a system of records from 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3) (making accounting of disclosures available to the subject individual); (d) (access to records); (e)(1) (G), (H) and (I) (notice of certain procedures); and (f) (promulgation of certain Privacy Act rules).

The proposed system of records consists of information covered by the (j)(2) and (k)(2) exemptions. The OIG internal evaluation case files are maintained pursuant to official investigatory and law enforcement functions of the OIG under the authority of the Inspector General Act of 1978, Public Law 95-452, 5 U.S.C. App. 3 (1978). Furthermore, the OIG constitutes a GSA component that performs as one of its principal functions activities pertaining to the enforcement of criminal laws, see 5 U.S.C. 552a(j)(2). Information covered under the (j)(2) exemption includes, but is not limited to, information compiled for the purpose of identifying criminal offenders and alleged offenders and consisting of identifying data and notations of arrests, and the nature and disposition of criminal charges, sentencing, confinement, release, and parole and probation status; information compiled for the purpose of a criminal investigation, including reports of informants and investigators, that is associated with an identifiable individual; or reports of enforcement of the criminal laws from arrest or indictment through release from supervision. Information contained in OIG complaint and investigative files under the (k)(2) exemption relates to non-criminal law enforcement matters, such as information pertaining to the investigation of civil, administrative, or regulatory violations and similar wrongdoing.

Access by subject individuals, among others, to this system of records, including the names of persons or agencies to whom the information has been transmitted, would substantially compromise the effectiveness of OIG investigations. Knowledge of such investigations could enable suspects to take action to prevent detection of unlawful activities, conceal or destroy evidence, or escape prosecution. Disclosure of this information could lead to the intimidation of, or harm to, informants, witnesses, and their families and could jeopardize the safety and well being of investigative and related personnel and their families. The imposition of certain restrictions on the manner in which investigative information is collected, verified, or

retained would significantly impede the effectiveness of OIG investigatory activities and, in addition, could preclude the apprehension and successful prosecution or discipline of persons engaged in fraud or other illegal activity.

For the above reasons, the OIG proposes to exempt the proposed system of records containing the OIG internal evaluation case files under exemptions (j)(2) and (k)(2) of the Privacy Act by amending 41 CFR 105-64.6, as provided below. Under this rule, the GSA and the OIG specify their systems of records that are exempt from the Privacy Act.

This is not a significant regulatory action and, therefore, was not subject to review under Section 6(b) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993. This rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

Pursuant to the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), 5 U.S.C. 605(b), the GSA certifies that the proposed amendment to its regulations, if adopted, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the RFA. The purpose of that amendment, which is proposed pursuant to the Privacy Act, is solely to exempt from disclosure certain files of the GSA's OIG that would be kept in a new system of records within the GSA OIG. The proposed amendment imposes no new regulatory requirements either directly or indirectly on anyone, including small entities.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the proposed changes to the GSPMR do not impose information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

D. Energy and Environment Considerations

We preliminarily conclude that this action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

List of Subjects in 41 CFR Part 105-64

Privacy.

Dated: December 17, 2004.

June V. Huber,

*Director, Office of Information Management,
Office of the Chief People Officer.*

Therefore, GSA proposes amending 41 CFR part 105-64 as set forth below:

PART 105-64—REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTING THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974

1. The authority citation for 41 CFR 105-64 is amended to read as follows:

Authority: The authority provided by Pub. L. 152, Ch. 288, 63 Stat 377 (codified as amended in scattered section of 40 U.S.C. and 41 U.S.C.).

2. Amend section 105-64.601 by adding paragraph (c); and in the undesignated paragraph following new paragraph (c) by removing “and GSA/ADM-24” and adding “, GSA/ADM-24, and GSA/ADM-25” in its place. The added text reads as follows:

§105-64.601 General exemptions.

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(c) Internal Evaluation Case Files, GSA/ADM-25.

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2. Amend section 105-64.602 by adding paragraph (d); and in the second sentence of the undesignated paragraph following new paragraph (d) by removing the words “identify” and “which” and adding “identity” and “where”, respectively, in their place; and revising the last sentence. The added and revised text reads as follows:

§105-64.602 Specific exemptions.

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(d) Internal Evaluation Case Files, GSA/ADM-25.

* * * * * The systems are exempted to maintain the effectiveness and integrity of investigations conducted as part of the Federal Protective Service, Office of Inspector General, and internal security law enforcement duties or responsibilities in the areas of Federal employment, Government contracts, and access to security classified information.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 04-3702; MB Docket No. 04-431, RM-11115]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Hermitage, AR

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Audio Division requests comments on a petition filed by Charles Crawford proposing the allotment of