

collection of skin and mucosal swabs from harbor seals and Steller sea lions for development of cell lines and microbiological analyses; (4) administration of deuterium labeled vitamin E and a vitamin A analog and increased frequency of blood sampling to determine metabolic requirements of these vitamins; and (5) photographic studies to determine pelage pattern consistency of harbor seals.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

September 18, 2001.

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## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

### Notice of Meeting

**AGENCY:** U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

*Time and Date:* Thursday, September 20, 2001 2:00 p.m.

*Location:* Room 410, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

*Status:* Closed to the Public—Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(f)(1) and 16 CFR 1013.4(b)(3)(7)(9) and (10) and submitted to the **Federal Register** pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3).

*Matter to be Considered:*

*Compliance Status Report*

The staff will brief the Commission on the status of various compliance matters.

For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-0709.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Todd A. Stevenson, Office of the Secretary, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20207 (301) 504-0800.

Dated: September 13, 2001.

**Todd A. Stevenson,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY:** U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

*Time and Date:* Friday, September 21, 2001, 10 a.m.

*Location:* Room 420, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

*Status:* Open to the Public.

*Matter To Be Considered:*

Mattresses/Bedding

The staff will brief the Commission and the Commission will consider options addressing open flame ignition of mattresses/bedding and issues related to Petitions FP 00-1 through FP 00-4, submitted by Whitney A. Davis, Director of Children's Coalition for Fire-Safe Mattresses, requesting various actions concerning mattress flammability.

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### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Todd A. Stevenson, Office of the Secretary, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20207 (301) 504-0800.

Dated: September 17, 2001.

**Todd A. Stevenson,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

**[OMB Control No. 9000-0136]**

### Federal Acquisition Regulation; Proposed Collection; Commercial Item Acquisitions

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0136).

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning the clauses and provisions required for use in commercial item acquisitions.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before November 20, 2001.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Victoria Moss, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-4764.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat, 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### A. Purpose

The Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994 included Title VIII, entitled Commercial Items. The title made numerous additions and revisions to both the civilian agency and Armed Service acquisition statutes to encourage and facilitate the acquisition of commercial items and services by Federal Government agencies.

To implement these changes, DoD, NASA, and GSA amended the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to include several streamlined and simplified clauses and provisions to be used in place of existing clauses and provisions. They were designed to simplify solicitations and contracts for commercial items.

Information is used by Federal agencies to facilitate the acquisition of commercial items and services.