Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

2005 Lead Disclosure Rule Public Awareness Survey—New—National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The proposed 2005 Lead Disclosure Rule Public Awareness Survey will assess small and medium-sized rental property owners' self-reported awareness of and compliance with the Lead Disclosure Rule. The Lead Disclosure Rule requires property owners to disclose to prospective tenants and buyers the presence of lead paint and lead-based paint hazards in

residential properties built before 1978, if known by the owners. The rule was published under the authority of Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) at 24 CFR 35, subpart A, and by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR 745, subpart F.

Childhood lead poisoning, while on the decline, remains a threat to the health and well-being of young children across the United States. In accordance with the Healthy People 2010 goal to "eliminate elevated blood lead levels in children," there is a need for primary prevention of childhood lead poisoning. Primary prevention is the removal of lead hazards from a child's environment before the child is exposed. Ensuring compliance with the Lead Disclosure Rule is one component of a primary prevention strategy.

The U.S. Department of Justice, HUD, and EPA, in partnership with local health, housing, and law enforcement agencies have completed more than 34 enforcement settlements under the Lead Disclosure Rule. As a result, they have obtained commitments from property owners to test and abate lead-based paint hazards in their high-risk rental housing units. HUD has requested the

assistance of the Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch at CDC to design and implement an evaluation of their enforcement efforts.

As part of this evaluation effort, CDC is interested in the perception of the Lead Disclosure Rule by sectors of the property owner population that have been targeted less often for enforcement of the rule. This survey of small and medium-sized rental property owners (owning fewer than 50 rental units) will be the first effort of its kind to capture this particular population's self-reported awareness of and compliance with the Lead Disclosure Rule.

The survey will be administered in four U.S. cities during 2005 and 2006. Two of the cities will be involved in a compliance assistance and enforcement intervention by HUD. The other two cities will be control cities (without such an intervention). For all four cities, CDC will conduct a cross-sectional "before and after" study design, but utilizing different respondents. Therefore, each respondent will be surveyed only once. Participation is voluntary. Respondents will be asked to complete a brief written survey and return the survey anonymously via the addressed, stamped envelope CDC will provide. There is no cost to respondents except the time to complete the survey.

ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE

| Respondents | Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Average bur- den per re- sponse (in hours.) | Total burden (in hrs.) |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Targeted Property Owners | 1000 | 1 | 15/60 | 250 |
| Total | | | | 250 |

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publishes a list of

information collection requests under review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of these requests, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer at (404) 498–1210 or send an email to omb@cdc.gov. Send written comments to CDC Desk Officer, Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 or by fax to (202) 395–6974. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

Cardiovascular Health Branch Management Information System— New—National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The Cardiovascular Health Branch Management Information System will collect the following in electronic format: (a) Data needed to measure progress by State Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Programs toward, or achievement of, program performance measures, and (b) information on State Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Programs currently being reported in hard copy.

In 1998, the U.S. Congress provided funding for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to initiate a national, state-based heart disease and stroke prevention program. CDC's strategic plan is to implement a comprehensive national heart disease and stroke prevention program that supports state-based programs in all states and territories. In 2003 under Program Announcement 02045, CDC's

Cardiovascular Health Branch selected and funded 32 states and the District of Columbia to address heart disease and stroke. Awardees were selected through a competitive peer review process, and the awards are managed as CDC cooperative agreements. Awards are made for five years and may be renewed through a continuation application. This program is authorized under sections 301(a) and 317b(k)(2) of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, [42 U.S.C. sections 241(a) and 247b(k)(2)], as amended.

All funded programs are required to submit continuation applications and semi-annual progress reports consistent with federal requirements that all agencies, in response to the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, prepare performance plans and collect program-specific performance measures. There will be two respondents per site.

An internet-based management information system (MIS) will allow CDC to monitor, and report on state Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Programs more efficiently. Data reported

to CDC through the MIS will be used by CDC to identify training and technical assistance needs, monitor compliance with cooperative agreement requirements, evaluate progress made in achieving program-specific goals, and obtain information needed to respond to Congressional and other inquiries regarding program activities and effectiveness. There are no costs to respondents except their time to respond. The total annual burden for this data collection is 396 hours.

ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE

| Respondents | Number of re- spondents | Number of re- sponses per respondent | Average bur- den per re- spondent (in hours) | Total burden hours |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|-----------------------|
| States and Washington, DC | 66 | 2 | 3 | 396 |

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call 404-371-5983 or send comments to Dale Verell, CDC Alternate OMB Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D74, Atlanta, GA 30333 or send an e-mail to omb@cdc.gov.

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Proposed Project

National Public Health Performance Standards Program Local Public Health System Assessment (OMB 0920–0555)— Extension—Office of the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The Office of the Director, CDC is proposing to extend the currently approved National Public Health Performance Standards Program Local Public Health System Assessment. From 1998–2002, the CDC National Public Health Performance Standards Program convened workgroups with the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO), The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

(ASTHO), the National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH), the American Public Health Association (APHA), and the Public Health Foundation (PHF) to develop performance standards for public health systems based on the essential services of public health.

CDC is now proposing to extend the formal, voluntary data collection that assesses the capacity of local public health systems to deliver the essential services of public health. Local health departments will respond to the survey on behalf of the collective body of representatives from the local public health system. Electronic data submission will be used when local public health agencies complete the public health assessment.

The extension will provide additional time for local public health systems to undertake the assessment. Some states have sought to include mention of the assessment in legislation or regulations and are now encouraging their localities to respond to the assessment in the upcoming two years. The focus on bioterrorism and other emerging issues diverted resources and attention from immediate use of the assessment since its national release in 2002. A two-year extension will provide additional needed time.

The estimated annualized burden for each extension year is 4,200 hours.

| Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Average bur- den per re- sponse (in hours) | Total burden (in hours) |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| 175 | 1 | 24 | 4200 |