

accordance with the law and the public interest.

Postal mail addressed to the Commission is subject to delay due to heightened security screening. As a result, we encourage you to submit your comments online. To make sure that the Commission considers your online comment, you must file it at <https://ftcpbpublic.commentworks.com/ftc/RegsBEMZpra>, by following the instructions on the web-based form. If this Notice appears at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!home>, you also may file a comment through that Web site.

If you file your comment on paper, write "Regs BEMZ, PRA Comments, P084812" on your comment and on the envelope, and mail or deliver it to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, Room H-113 (Annex J) 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20580. If possible, submit your paper comment to the Commission by courier or overnight service.

Visit the Commission Web site at to read this Notice and the news release describing it. The FTC Act and other laws that the Commission administers permit the collection of public comments to consider and use in this proceeding as appropriate. The Commission will consider all timely and responsive public comments that it receives on or before April 9, 2012. You can find more information, including routine uses permitted by the Privacy Act, in the Commission's privacy policy, at <http://www.ftc.gov/ftc/privacy.htm>.

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General Counsel.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

[Notice-FAS-2011-01; Docket No. 2011-0006; Sequence 22]

Providing Refurbishment Services to Federal Agencies

AGENCY: Federal Acquisition Service, U.S. General Services Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Strategy for Electronics Stewardship recommendations (<http://www.gsa.gov/estewardship>), GSA is exploring whether and how best to make cost-effective refurbishment services available to Federal agencies to extend the useful life of non-functional

electronic equipment. GSA seeks to determine whether providing refurbishment as a service to Federal agencies fits into viable business models, what appropriate standards and certifications ought to be considered, and how best to build Federal contracts for such services.

DATES: *Effective date:* Submit comments on or before March 8, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments identified by "Notice-FAS-2011-01" by any of the following methods:

- *Regulations.gov:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by inputting "Notice-FAS-2011-01" under the heading "Enter Keyword or ID" and selecting "Search." Select the link "Submit a Comment" that corresponds with "Notice-FAS-2011-01." Follow the instructions provided at the "Submit a Comment" screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "Notice-FAS-2011-01" on your attached document.

- *Fax:* (202) 501-4067.

- *Mail:* General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), ATTN: Hada Flowers, 1275 First Street, NE., 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20417.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite "Notice-FAS-2011-01", in all correspondence related to this case. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Inquiries and clarifications may be sent to Mr. Chris Hoagland, Office of Governmentwide Policy, U.S. General Services Administration, christopher.hoagland@gsa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Purpose and Information Sought

This notice is for data gathering and planning purposes only, does not constitute a solicitation, and is not to be construed as a commitment by the government to issue a solicitation, Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) or award a contract. The Government will not reimburse any respondent for any costs associated with information submitted in response to this notice.

GSA seeks to determine whether providing refurbishment as a service to Federal agencies fits into viable business models, what appropriate standards and certifications ought to be considered, and how best to build Federal contracts for such services. GSA is seeking this information through

voluntary responses to the following questions:

1. If you currently provide refurbishment as a service to customers, including Federal, state, or local government entities, describe the process of obtaining equipment and returning it to the customer, including the typical amount of time between pick-up and return.

2. Is there a minimum number of pieces of electronic equipment that must be provided (e.g., a pallet load, a truckload)?

3. Does providing refurbishment as a service (rather than refurbished equipment) fit into viable business models for computer refurbishment companies?

4. How do the fees you charge per refurbished item compare to the cost of new or used equipment?

5. Describe the process for disposing and recycling of failed equipment. Have all facilities in your recycling and disposal process been certified to safely recycle and manage electronics? If so, what certifications do they hold?

6. Who is responsible for disposition of equipment that cannot be refurbished, the customer or the provider of refurbishment services? Is there an additional fee for disposition of equipment that cannot be refurbished?

7. What certifications should the government require of firms offering refurbishment services, including those developed specifically for recycling facilities (e.g., R2 and e-Stewards)?

Dated: February 2, 2012.

Houston Taylor,

Assistant Commissioner, Office of Acquisition Management, Federal Acquisition Service, General Services Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As stipulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service (DHHS) is hereby giving notice that the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS (PACHA) will hold a meeting. The meeting will be open to the public.