

(ECEs). This year's Form M-1 is substantively identical to the Year 2008 Form M-1. The electronic filing option has been retained and filers are encouraged to use this method. The Year 2009 Form M-1 is due March 1, 2009, with an extension until May 3, 2009 available.

The Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) is committed to working together with administrators to help them comply with this filing requirement. Copies of the Form M-1 are available on the Internet at [http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/forms\\_requests.html](http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/forms_requests.html). In addition, after printing, copies will be available by calling the EBSA toll-free publication hotline at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272). Questions on completing the form are being directed to the EBSA help desk at (202) 693-8360. For questions regarding the electronic filing capability, contact the EBSA computer help desk at (202) 693-8600.

**Statutory Authority:** 29 U.S.C. 1021-1024, 1027, 1029-31, 1059, 1132, 1134, 1135, 1181-1183, 1181 note, 1185, 1185a-b, 1191, 1191a-c; Secretary of Labor's Order 6-2009, 74 FR 21524 (May 7, 2009).

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## NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

### Notice of Charter Renewal for Humanities Panel

**AGENCY:** The National Endowment for the Humanities.

**ACTION:** Notice of Charter Renewal for Humanities Panel.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, 5 U.S.C. App. 2 (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), as amended, the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) gives notice that it will renew the charter for the Humanities Panel for two years from December 29, 2009 to December 29, 2011. The Chairman of NEH has determined that the renewal of the Humanities Panel is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Chairman of NEH by the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, 5 U.S.C. App. 3(2) (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), as amended, and Section 10(a)(4) of the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. 959(a)(4), as amended.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael P. McDonald, Committee

Management Officer, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 529, Washington, DC 20506. (Phone: (202) 606-8322, facsimile (202) 606-8600, or e-mail to [gencounsel@neh.gov](mailto:gencounsel@neh.gov)). Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the NEH's TDD terminal on (202) 606-8282.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Humanities Panel is a Federal advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. App. 2 (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770). The purpose and objective of the Humanities Panel is to advise the National Council on the Humanities and the Chairman of the NEH concerning policies, programs, and procedures of NEH as requested. The Humanities Panel furthermore makes recommendations on applications for financial support submitted to NEH.

Members of the Humanities Panel are selected on the basis of their subject matter expertise in a humanities discipline or on the basis of their experience in a humanities institution, or both, in order to ensure that all applications are reviewed under the highest standards of excellence in the humanities. The NEH selects panelists from a broad range of humanities disciplines (including languages, literature, history, jurisprudence, philosophy, archaeology, comparative religion, ethics, and the history, criticism, and theory of the arts). Panelists also are selected from a wide range of humanities institutions (including colleges, universities, archives, libraries, museums and historical societies). By statute, the Humanities Panel is also required to have broad geographic and culturally diverse representation.

Dated: December 15, 2009.

**Michael P. McDonald,**

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), and as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the National Science Foundation invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this information collection.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received by February 26, 2010 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 295, Arlington, VA 22230, or by e-mail to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact Suzanne Plimpton, the NSF Reports Clearance Officer, phone (703) 292-7556, or send e-mail to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including Federal holidays.)

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** Generic Clearance of the Science Resources Statistics Survey Improvement Projects.

**OMB Approval Number:** 3145-0174.

**Expiration Date of Approval:** February 28, 2010.

**Abstract.** Generic Clearance of the Science Resources Statistics Survey Improvement Projects. The National Science Foundation's Division of Science Resources Statistics (NSF/SRS) needs to collect timely data on constant changes in the science and technology sector and to provide the most complete and accurate information possible to policy makers in Congress and throughout government and academia. NSF/SRS conducts many surveys to obtain the data for these purposes. The Generic Clearance will be used to ensure that the highest quality data are obtained from these surveys. State-of-the-art methodology will be used to develop, evaluate, and test questionnaires and survey concepts as well as to improve survey methodology. This may include field or pilot tests of questions for future large-scale surveys, as needed.

**Expected Respondents.** The respondents will be from industry, academia, nonprofit organizations, members of the public, and State, local, and Federal governments. Respondents will be either individuals or institutions, depending upon the survey under investigation. Qualitative procedures will generally be conducted in person or over the phone, but quantitative procedures may be conducted using mail, Web, e-mail, or phone modes, depending on the topic