

when there are few synergies to be captured by combining licenses.

38. For Auction 86, it is not possible to combine licenses across multiple frequency blocks in a given geographic area, and opportunities for combining licenses in adjacent areas are somewhat limited, so there is likely to be little need to use withdrawals to protect against incomplete aggregations. Therefore, the Bureau proposes to establish the percentage of the withdrawn bid to be assessed as an interim bid withdrawal payment at fifteen percent for this auction. The Bureau seeks comment on this proposal.

ii. Establishing the Additional Default Payment Percentage

39. Any winning bidder that, after the close of an auction, defaults—by, for example, failing to remit the required down payment within the prescribed period of time, to submit a timely long-form application, or to make full payment—or is otherwise disqualified is liable for a default payment under 47 CFR 1.2104(g)(2). This payment consists of a deficiency payment, equal to the difference between the amount of the bidder's bid and the amount of the winning bid the next time a license covering the same spectrum is won in an auction, plus an additional payment equal to a percentage of the defaulter's bid or of the subsequent winning bid, whichever is less.

40. As previously noted by the Commission, defaults weaken the integrity of the auctions process and impede the deployment of service to the public. Given the nature of the service and the inventory of the licenses being offered in Auction 86, the Bureau believes that an additional default payment percentage of fifteen percent will provide a sufficient deterrent to defaults. Accordingly, the Bureau proposes an additional default payment of fifteen percent of the relevant bid for Auction 86 and seeks comment on this proposal.

III. Commission *ex parte* Rules

41. This proceeding has been designated as a permit-but-disclose proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules. Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required. Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in

permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in 47 CFR 1.1206(b).

Federal Communications Commission.

Gary D. Michaels,

Deputy Chief, Auctions and Spectrum Access Division, WTB.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 11:30 a.m., Monday, May 18, 2009.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michelle Smith, Director, or Dave Skidmore, Assistant to the Board, Office of Board Members at 202-452-2955.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 8, 2009.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Biodefense Science Board; Notification of a Public Teleconference

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As stipulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the U.S.

Department of Health and Human Services is hereby giving notice that the National Biodefense Science Board (NBSB) will be holding a public teleconference. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The NBSB will hold a public teleconference on May 22, 2009. The teleconference will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: The conference will be conducted by phone. Public Conference Call-in Number is available by e-mailing NBSB@hhs.gov and will be posted on the NBSB Web site at <http://www.hhs.gov/aspr/omsph/nbsb/index.html> prior to the meeting. Participants should call in 15 minutes prior to the call and will be asked to provide their name, title, and organization.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing to obtain general information concerning this public teleconference should contact NBSB@hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 319M of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d-7f) and section 222 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 217a), the Department of Health and Human Services established the National Biodefense Science Board. The Board shall provide expert advice and guidance to the Secretary on scientific, technical, and other matters of special interest to the Department of Health and Human Services regarding current and future chemical, biological, nuclear, and radiological agents, whether naturally occurring, accidental, or deliberate. The Board may also provide advice and guidance to the Secretary on other matters related to public health emergency preparedness and response.

Background: The purpose of the May 22, 2009 teleconference is to discuss issues regarding the 2009 H1N1 influenza outbreak. A special meeting of the Board is being convened to assure that the public is given the opportunity to provide comments on the actions and deliberations of the Board regarding the ongoing response to the H1N1 influenza. There will be time for members of the public to present their comments to the Board on this subject matter.

Availability of Materials: The agenda and other materials will be posted on the NBSB Web site at <http://www.hhs.gov/aspr/omsph/nbsb/index.html> prior to the meeting.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral

information for the NBSB to consider. All written comments must be received prior to May 15, 2009 and should be sent by e-mail to NBSB@hhs.gov with "NBSB Public Comment" as the subject line.

Oral Statements: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public NBSB teleconference will be limited to three minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 20 minutes for all speakers. To be placed on the public participant list, you should notify the operator when you enter the call-in number.

Dated: May 5, 2009.

RADM William C. Vanderwagen,

Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Public Meeting of the Federal Coordinating Council on Comparative Effectiveness Research

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Authorized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), the Federal Coordinating Council for Comparative Effectiveness Research will help coordinate research and guide investments in comparative effectiveness research funded by the Recovery Act. The Coordinating Council is holding this meeting to hear from the public about their views on the Council's activities.

DATES: The meeting, which is the second of three public meetings that the Coordinating Council expects to convene, will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2009, from 2:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m. CDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the University of Illinois at Chicago Forum, 725 W. Roosevelt Rd., (MC 126) Chicago, IL 60608. In addition, the meeting will be Web cast and individuals may also participate by audioconference.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick Conway, Office of the Secretary, HHS, Telephone: 202-690-7858; E-mail: Patrick.conway@hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coordinating Council will assist the agencies of the Federal Government, including HHS, Departments of

Veterans Affairs and Defense, as well as others, to coordinate comparative effectiveness and related health services research. The Coordinating Council also will provide input on priorities for the \$400 million fund in the Recovery Act that the Secretary will allocate to advance this type of research.

The Coordinating Council will not recommend clinical guidelines for payment, coverage or treatment. The Coordinating Council will consider the needs of populations served by Federal programs and opportunities to build and expand on current investments and priorities.

Registration and Other Information

About the Meeting: Individuals may participate in the meeting either by attending in person, viewing the meeting over the Internet, or by audioconference. Individuals may also nominate themselves to make a 3-minute statement before the Coordinating Council. In addition, individuals may submit written statements for the Coordinating Council's consideration, regardless of whether individuals are chosen to give an oral statement. The Coordinating Council does request that individuals nominating themselves to make an oral statement make every effort to be present to give their statement in person. However, to facilitate hearing as many different viewpoints as possible, consideration will be given to individuals who would make their oral statements via audioconference.

Oral statements, as well as written statements submitted for the Coordinating Council's consideration, should address the following kinds of questions:

- What types of investments in infrastructure for comparative effectiveness research should the Coordinating Council consider?
- What criteria should the Coordinating Council consider when evaluating different investment options?
- What Federal government activities in the area of comparative effectiveness research should the Coordinating Council focus its attention on?
- How can the Coordinating Council best foster integration of these activities across the programs managed by the Departments of Health and Human Services, Defense, and Veterans Affairs?
- What steps should the Coordinating Council consider to help ensure that public- and private-sector efforts in the area of comparative effectiveness research are mutually supportive?
- What information on the Coordinating Council's activities would be most useful?

The Office of the Secretary requests that interested persons register to participate and indicate (a) whether they will attend in person, view the Coordinating Council's meeting over the Internet, or listen by audioconference; (b) whether they are nominating themselves to give a 3-minute oral statement; and/or, (c) if they intend to submit a written statement for the Coordinating Council to consider. Per Section 3, "Ensuring Responsible Spending of Recovery Act Funds," 74 FR 12531, 12533 (March 25, 2009), individuals who wish to make an oral statement will be asked to disclose whether they are registered lobbyists.

Individuals should register to participate no later than Monday, May 11, at 5 p.m., EDT. Due to time constraints, not everyone who volunteers to make an oral statement will be able to do so. However, all statements received will be considered by the Coordinating Council as part of their deliberations.

To register, go to <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/CER/index.html>. Individuals who do not register in advance will only be able to attend the meeting in person if space is available. Information on how to view the meeting over the Internet and participate by audioconference will be sent to registered participants in advance and posted on the Recovery.gov Web site on Tuesday, May 12, 2009. The number of audioconference lines for non-registered participants may be limited.

If sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodation for a disability is needed, please contact Mr. Donald L. Inniss, Director, Office of Equal Employment Opportunity Program, Program Support Center, on (301) 443-1144.

Each public meeting is scheduled for a three-hour period, but will end sooner if participants have finished providing input before the time period expires. We are asking for input concerning specific topics as follows:

To help interested individuals prepare for the meetings, we invite review of the Act. The full text is set forth on the Internet at: <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/plaws/> (search for "Public Law 111-50").

Also, the Office of the Secretary has an e-mail notification list to provide interested parties with automatic notification of relevant information posted on Recovery.gov and the HHS Web site (<http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/CER/index.html>) concerning the Federal Coordinating Council. To be added to the e-mail notification list, send your e-mail address to CoordinatingCouncil@bls.com, and use