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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

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Emergency Clearance: Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

We are, however, requesting an emergency review of the information collections referenced below. In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following requirements for emergency review. We are requesting an emergency review because the collection of this information is needed before the expiration of the normal time limits under OMB's regulations at 5 CFR part 1320. This is necessary to ensure compliance with section 1847 of the Social Security Act. We cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures because public harm would result. In order to determine the best way to let competitive bids to the most efficient/effective bidder and as soon as possible, we must

conduct the demonstration on as recent data as possible; we also need the data as soon as possible in order to include our findings in a report to Congress in January 2002.

HCFA is requesting OMB review and approval of this collection by November 21, 2000 with a 180-day approval period. Written comments and recommendations will be accepted from the public if received by the individuals designated below by November 21, 2000. During this 180-day period, we will publish a separate **Federal Register** notice announcing the initiation of an extensive 60-day agency review and public comment period on these requirements. We will submit the requirements for OMB review and an extension of this emergency approval. *Type of Information Request:* New collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Durable Medical Equipment and Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) Supplier Survey; *HCFA Form Number:* HCFA-10019 (OMB approval #: 0938-NEW); *Use:* This survey is necessary to collect access, quality, and financial performance information from suppliers of durable medical equipment (hospital beds, oxygen, urologic supplies, enteral nutrition, or wound care). The information will be presented to HCFA and to Congress, who will use the results to determine whether the demonstration should be extended to other sites; *Frequency:* Once; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; *Number of Respondents:* 340; *Total Annual Responses:* 340; *Total Annual Burden Hours:* 620.

We have submitted a copy of this notice to OMB for its review of these information collections. A notice will be published in the **Federal Register** when approval is obtained.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326.

Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden or any other aspect of these collections of information requirements. However, as noted above, comments on these information collection and recordkeeping requirements must be mailed and/or faxed to the designees referenced below, by November 20, 2000.

Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Information Services, Security and Standards Group, Division of HCFA Enterprise Standards, Room N2-14-26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850. Fax Number: (410) 786-0262. Attn: Julie Brown, HCFA 10019

and,

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, Fax Number: (202) 395-6974 or (202) 395-5167. Attn: Wendy Taylor, HCFA Desk Officer.

Dated: October 21, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Public Health Service; Notice of Listing of Members of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board (PRB)

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) announces the persons who will serve on the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Performance Review Board. This action is being taken in accordance with Title 5, U.S.C., section 4314(c)(4), which requires that members of performance review boards be appointed in a manner to ensure consistency, stability, and objectivity in performance appraisals, and requires that notice of the appointment of an individual to serve as a member be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following persons will serve on the SAMHSA Performance Review Board, which oversees the evaluation of performance appraisals of SAMHSA's Senior Executive Service (SES) members: Joseph Autry, M.D., Chairperson; H. Westley Clark, M.D., J.D., M.P.H.; Ruth Sanchez-Way, Ph.D.; Randolph Wykoff, M.D., M.P.H., T.M.

For further information about the SAMHSA Performance Review Board, contact the Division of Human Resources Management, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, 5600 Fishers Land, Room 14 C-24, Rockville, Maryland

20857, telephone (301) 443-5030 (not a toll-free number).

Dated: October 18, 2000.

Nelba Chavez,

Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Application

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of application.

The following applicant has applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*). Permit Number TE034594

Applicant: M. Brent McCrane, St. Louis, Missouri.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, handle and release) all federally listed unionid mussel species within U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regions 3 and 4, in particular Clubshell (*Pleurobema clava*), Curtis' pearlymussel (*Epioblasma florentina curtisi*), Fanshell (*Cyprogenia stegaria*), Fat pocketbook (*Potamilus capax*), Higgins' eye pearlymussel (*Lampsilis higginsii*), Orange-foot pimpleback pearlymussel (*Plethobasus cooperianus*), Pink mucket pearlymussel (*Lampsilis abrupta*), Scaleshell mussel (*Leptodea leptodon*), White wartyback pearlymussel (*Plethobasus cicatricosus*), and Winged mapleleaf mussel (*Quadrula fragosa*). The applicant requests the permit to collect the threatened and endangered mussel species in all streams located throughout U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Region 3 (Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin) and portions of Region 4 (Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, and West Virginia). Activities are proposed for studies to identify populations of listed mussel species, develop methods to minimize or avoid project related impacts to those populations, and to identify new populations of listed unionid species. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological

Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056, and must be received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review by any party who requests a copy of such documents from the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056, *peter fasbender@fws.gov*, telephone (612/713-5343), or FAX (612/713-5292).

Dated: October 20, 2000.

T.J. Miller,

Acting, Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

Endangered Species

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

Applicant: Harry (Sonny) L. Evans, Jr. San Antonio, TX, PRT-032508.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Daniel Brunner, San Antonio, TX, PRT-032500.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Smithsonian National Zoological Park, Washington, DC 20008, PRT-700309.

The applicant seeks to renew their permit to take, import, export, re-export, and purchase in interstate and foreign commerce blood, hair, and other tissue samples and salvaged carcasses from any endangered wildlife exotic to the

United States for the purpose of scientific research to enhance the survival of endangered species in the wild. Samples are to be obtained from wild, captive held, or captive born animals. Samples collected from animals in the wild are to be done so opportunistically during immobilization of the animals by local wildlife management officials. Wild animals may be immobilized, but not harmed, for collection of samples. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a five year period.

Applicant: The Peregrine Fund, Boise, ID, PRT-819573.

The applicant requests a permit to import live harpy eagle (*Harpia harpja*), blood, tissue, and DNA samples and to export/re-export live birds as part of an on-going conservation project which enhances the survival and propagation of this species. This notice covers activities conducted by the applicant over a five year period.

Marine Mammals

The public is invited to comment on the following application for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

Applicant: Phil Mancuso, Staten Island, NY, PRT-034958.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Cambridge Bay polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife has information collection approval from OMB through February 28, 2001. OMB Control Number 1018-0093. Federal Agencies may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a current valid OMB control number.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S.