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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) Product Development Committee (CPDC) for Synthesis and Assessment Product 1.3

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) Product Development Committee for Synthesis and Assessment Product 1.3 (CPDC-S&A 1.3) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated November 21, 2006. CPDC-S&A 1.3 is the Federal Advisory Committee charged with responsibility to develop a draft Synthesis and Assessment Product that addresses CCSP Topic 1.3: "Re-analyses of Historical Climate Data for Key Atmospheric Features: Implications for Attribution of Causes of Observed Change."

Time and Date: The meeting will be held Monday, June 25, 2007, from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Tuesday, June 26, 2007, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Wednesday, June 27, 2007, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. These times and the agenda topics described below are subject to change. Refer to the Web page

<http://www.climate.noaa.gov/ccsp/13.jsp> for the most up-to-date meeting agenda.

Place: The meeting will be held at the NOAA Earth System Research Laboratory, 325 Broadway, Boulder, Colorado 80305, Room GB-124.

Status: The meeting will be open to public participation with a 30-minute public comment period on Monday, June 25 from 2:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. (check Web site to confirm this time). The CPDC-S&A 1.3 expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of five (5) minutes. Written comments (at least 35 copies) should be received by the CPDC-S&A 1.3 Designated Federal Official by June 18, 2007 to provide sufficient time for review. Written comments received after June 18 will be distributed to the CPDC-S&A 1.3, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Matters To Be Considered: The meeting will include the following topics: (1) Review, recommend and make changes to the reanalysis and attribution chapters of Synthesis and Assessment Product 1.3; and (2) Discussion of plans for completion and submission of the first draft of Synthesis and Assessment Product 1.3.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Neil Christerson, Designated Federal Official, CPDC-S&A 1.3 (NOAA Climate Program Office, 1315 East-West Hwy., Suite 12105, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. Phone: 301-734-1211, Fax: 301-713-0518, E-mail: Neil.Christerson@noaa.gov or visit the Web site at <http://www.climate.noaa.gov/ccsp/13.jsp>.)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

United States Patent Applicant Survey

AGENCY: Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork

and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the extension of a continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 3, 2007.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

E-mail: Susan.Fawcett@uspto.gov. Include "0651-0052 comment" in the subject line of the message.

Fax: 571-273-0112, marked to the attention of Susan Fawcett.

Mail: Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Customer Information Services Group, Public Information Services Division, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. *Federal e-Rulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to the attention of Gus Mastrogianis, Economist, Office of Corporate Planning, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450; by telephone 571-272-6292; or by e-mail at gus.mastrogianis@uspto.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

For several years the USPTO has supported an ongoing forecasting program for patent application filings that includes the use of quantitative and qualitative methodologies. Given the importance of accurate application filings forecasts, the USPTO considers more than one type of methodology. As part of this strategy, information from a survey of the inventor community is included when formulating application filings forecasts. In addition to using the survey as part of a comprehensive approach to forecasting, the USPTO is also using this tool in response to Senate Appropriations Report 106-404 (September 8, 2000). This report directed the USPTO to "develop a workload forecast with advice from a representative sample of industry and the inventor community." A patent application filing survey will assist the USPTO in better understanding key factors driving future application filings, such as newly emerging technologies.

The USPTO has developed the United States Patent Applicant Survey as part of the continuing effort to better predict the future growth of patent application filings by understanding applicant intentions. The main purpose of this