++ AOA/HFAP's processes and procedures for monitoring a hospital that is out of compliance with AOA/HFAP's program requirements. These monitoring procedures are used only when AOA/HFAP identifies noncompliance. If noncompliance is identified through validation reviews or complaint surveys, the state survey agency monitors corrections as specified at § 488.7(d).

++ AOA/HFAP's capacity to report deficiencies to the surveyed facilities and respond to the facility's plan of correction in a timely manner.

++ AOA/HFAP's capacity to provide CMS with electronic data and reports necessary for effective validation and assessment of the organization's survey process.

++ The adequacy of AOA/HFAP's staff and other resources, and its financial viability.

++ AOA/HFAP's capacity to adequately fund required surveys.

++ AOA/HFAP's policies with respect to whether surveys are announced or unannounced.

++ AOA/HFAP's agreement to provide CMS with a copy of the most current accreditation survey together with any other information related to the survey as CMS may require (including corrective action plans).

IV. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection and recordkeeping requirements. Consequently, it need not be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 35).

V. Response to Public Comments

Because of the large number of public comments we normally receive on **Federal Register** documents, we are not able to acknowledge or respond to them individually. We will consider all comments we receive by the date and time specified in the **DATES** section of this preamble, and, when we proceed with a subsequent document, we will respond to the comments in the preamble to that document.

Upon completion of our evaluation, including evaluation of comments received as a result of this notice, we will publish a final notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the result of our evaluation.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.778, Medical Assistance Program; No. 93.773 Medicare—Hospital Insurance Program; and No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: March 5, 2013.

Marilyn Tavenner,

Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Implementation of the Updated American Veterinary Medical Association Guidelines for the Euthanasia of Animals: 2013 Edition

SUMMARY: The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is providing guidance to Public Health Service (PHS) awardee institutions on implementation of the *American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Guidelines for the Euthanasia of Animals: 2013 Edition* (*Guidelines*). The NIH is seeking input from the public on any concerns they may have regarding the updated *Guidelines.*

DATES: Public concerns regarding the updated *AVMA Guidelines for the Euthanasia of Animals: 2013 Edition* must be submitted electronically at *http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/2013avmaguidelines_comments/add.cfm?ID=32* by May 31, 2013, in order to be considered.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare, Office of Extramural Research, NIH, RKL1, Suite 360, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892–7982; phone 301–496–7163; email *olaw@od.nih.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The NIH Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) oversees PHS-funded animal activities by the authority of the Health Research Extension Act of 1985 (*http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/references/hrea1985.htm*) and the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (PHS Policy; *http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/references/phspol.htm*). The PHS Policy IV.C.1.G. (*http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/references/phspol.htm#ReviewofPHS-ConductedorSupportedResearchProjects*) requires that Institutional Animal Care and Use Committees (IACUCs) reviewing PHS-conducted or -supported research projects, determine if methods of euthanasia used in projects will be consistent with the recommendations of the AVMA Panel on Euthanasia, unless a deviation is justified for scientific reasons in writing by the investigator.

PHS-Assured institutions are encouraged to begin using the *2013 Guidelines* as soon as possible when reviewing research projects, and full implementation is expected after September 1, 2013. Previously approved projects undergoing continuing review according to PHS Policy IV.C.5. (*http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/references/phspol.htm#ReviewofPHS-ConductedorSupportedResearchProjects*), which requires a complete de novo review at least once every 3 years, must be reviewed using the *2013 Guidelines* after September 1, 2013.

II. Electronic Access

The AVMA has issued and posted an update to the *2007 Guidelines on Euthanasia* with a new title, *AVMA Guidelines for the Euthanasia of Animals: 2013 Edition,* available at *https://www.avma.org/KB/Policies/Documents/euthanasia.pdf* (PDF).

Dated: March 14, 2013.

Francis S. Collins,

Director, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; NIAMS Clinical Trial Outcome Development.

Date: March 29, 2013.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Hilton Washington/Rockville, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Xincheng Zheng, Ph.D., M.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, National Institute of Arthritis, Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, NIH, 6701 Democracy Boulevard, Suite 800, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–594–4953, *xincheng.zheng@nih.gov.*

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.846, Arthritis, Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: March 18, 2013.

Carolyn Baum,

Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism; Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, Special Emphasis Panel, NIAAA Member Conflict Applications.

Date: April 4, 2013.

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: 5635 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Ranga Srinivas, Ph.D., Chief, Extramural Project Review Branch EPRB, NIAAA, National Institutes of Health, 5365 Fishers Lane, Room 2085, Rockville, MD 20852 (301) 451–2067 *srinivar@mail.nih.gov.*

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.273, Alcohol Research Programs; National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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Carolyn A. Baum,

Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. DHS–2012–0061]

Information Collection Request; Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Personnel Surety Program

AGENCY: National Protection and Programs Directorate, DHS.

ACTION: 60-Day notice and request for comments; New Information Collection Request: 1670—NEW.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD), Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP), Infrastructure Security Compliance Division (ISCD) will submit the following Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). This is a new information collection and follows the withdrawal of a previous ICR on the same topic.[1] The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments during a 60-day public comment period prior to the submission of this ICR to OMB. The submission describes the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (in hours), and the estimated burden cost necessary to implement the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) Personnel Surety Program pursuant to 6 CFR 27.230(a)(12)(iv).

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until May 21, 2013. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.8.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on the proposed information collection through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at *http://www.regulations.gov.* All submissions received must include the words ''Department of Homeland Security'' and the docket number DHS–2012–0061. Except as provided below, comments received will be posted without alteration at *http://www.regulations.gov,* including any personal information provided.

Comments that include trade secrets, confidential commercial or financial information, Chemical-terrorism Vulnerability Information (CVI),[2] Sensitive Security Information (SSI),[3] or Protected Critical Infrastructure Information (PCII) [4] should not be submitted to the public regulatory docket. Please submit such comments separately from other comments in response to this notice. Comments containing trade secrets, confidential commercial or financial information, CVI, SSI, or PCII should be appropriately marked and packaged in accordance with applicable requirements and submitted by mail to the DHS/NPPD/IP/ISCD CFATS Program Manager at the Department of Homeland Security, 245 Murray Lane, SW., Mail Stop 0610, Arlington, VA 20528–0610. Comments must be identified by docket number DHS–2012–0061.

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[1] A 60-day public notice for comments was published in the **Federal Register** on June 10, 2009. *See* 74 FR 27555. Comments submitted by the public may be found on *http://www.regulations.gov* under Docket ID DHS–2009–0026. The Department's responses were included in a Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) 30-day **Federal Register** notice. The 30-day public notice for comments was published in the **Federal Register** on April 13, 2010. *See* 75 FR 18850. Comments submitted by the public may be found on *http://www.regulations.gov* under Docket ID DHS–2009–0026. The Department's responses were published in a separate **Federal Register** notice on June 14, 2011. *See* 76 FR 34720. Concurrently with publication of the June 14, 2011 **Federal Register** notice, the Department submitted an Information Collection Request about the CFATS Personnel Surety Program to OMB. *See http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201105-1670-002.* In July 2012, the Department withdrew that ICR.

[2] For more information about CVI see 6 CFR 27.400 and the CVI Procedural Manual at *http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/chemsec_cvi_proceduresmanual.pdf.*

[3] For more information about SSI see 49 CFR part 1520 and the SSI Program Web page at *http://www.tsa.gov/ssi.*

[4] For more information about PCII see 6 CFR part 29 and the PCII Program Web page at *http://ww.dhs.gov/pcii.*