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The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities for both CDC and NCEH/ATSDR.

Dated: November 14, 2006.

**Alvin Hall,**

*Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act Delegation of Authority

Notice is hereby given that I have delegated to the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), with authority to redelegate, the following authorities vested in the Secretary of Health and Human Services, under Title III of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act and the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response (PHSBPR) Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107–188) as amended hereafter, insofar as these authorities pertain to the functions assigned to the CDC:

- PHS Act, Title III, Section 351A (42 U.S.C. 262a), excluding sections (i), (g)(3) and (g)(4) as provided in § 201 of the Act; and
- PHSBPR Act, Title II, Subtitle C, Section 221 (7 U.S.C. 8411).

This delegation excludes the authority to submit reports to the Congress, but should be exercised under the Department's existing delegation of authority and policy on regulations.

This delegation is effective upon signature. In addition, I hereby affirm and ratify any actions taken by you or your subordinates which involved the exercise of the authorities delegated herein prior to the effective day of the delegation.

Dated: November 8, 2006.

**Michael O. Leavitt,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

#### Privacy Act of 1974; Report of a Modified or Altered System

**AGENCY:** Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

**ACTION:** Notice of a Modified or Altered System of Records (SOR).

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, we are proposing to modify or alter an existing SOR, “Record of Individuals Authorized Entry to the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) Building via a Card Key Access System (RICKS), System No. 09–70–3001” last modified 66 FR 15264 (March 16, 2001). The name of the Agency has been changed from HCFA to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). We will modify the system name to read: “Record of Individuals Authorized Entry to the CMS Building via a Card Key Access System (RICKS).” We propose to assign a new CMS identification number to this system to simplify the obsolete and confusing numbering system originally designed to identify the Bureau, Office, or Center that maintained information in the HCFA systems of records. The new assigned identifying number for this system should read: System No. 09–70–0518.

We propose to modify existing routine use number 1 that permits disclosure to agency contractors and consultants to include disclosure to CMS grantees who perform a task for the agency. CMS grantees, charged with completing projects or activities that require CMS data to carry out that activity, are classified separate from CMS contractors and/or consultants. The modified routine use will remain as routine use number 1. We will delete routine use number 3 authorizing disclosure to support constituent requests made to a congressional representative. If an authorization for the disclosure has been obtained from the data subject, then no routine use is needed. The Privacy Act allows for disclosures with the “prior written consent” of the data subject.

We are modifying the language in the remaining routine uses to provide a proper explanation as to the need for the routine use and to provide clarity to CMS's intention to disclose individual-specific information contained in this system. The routine uses will then be prioritized and reordered according to their usage. We will also take the opportunity to update any sections of the system that were affected by the recent reorganization or because of the impact of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA) (Pub. L. 108–173) provisions and to update language in the administrative sections to correspond with language used in other CMS SORs.

The primary purpose of the system of records is to issue and control United States Government card keys to all CMS employees and other authorized individuals who require access into certain designated or secured areas. Information retrieved from this system of records will also be disclosed to: (1) Support regulatory, reimbursement, and policy functions performed within the agency or by a contractor, consultant or grantee; (2) assist another Federal agency to conduct activities related to this system; and (3) support litigation involving the agency. We have provided background information about the modified system in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below. Although the Privacy Act requires only that CMS provide an opportunity for interested persons to comment on the routine uses, CMS invites comments on all portions of this notice. See “Effective Dates” section for comment period.

**DATES: Effective Dates:** CMS filed a modified or altered system report with the Chair of the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, the Chair of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs, and the Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on November 13, 2006. To ensure that all parties have adequate time in which to comment, the modified system, including routine uses, will become effective 30 days from the publication of the notice, or 40 days from the date it was submitted to OMB and Congress, whichever is later, unless CMS receives comments that require alterations to this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** The public should address comments to: CMS Privacy Officer, Division of Privacy Compliance, Enterprise Architecture and Strategy Group, Office of Information Services, CMS, Room N2–04–27, 7500 Security