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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Skidmore or Ruth Johnson, (301)713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On April 16, 2004, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (69 FR 20602) that a request for a scientific research permit to acquire, import and export samples taken from marine mammals of the Orders Pinnipedia (except walrus) and Cetacea had been submitted by the above-named applicant. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the regulations governing endangered and threatened fish and wildlife (50 CFR parts 222-226), and the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*).

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), a final determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Dated: November 2, 2004.

**Stephen L. Leathery,**

*Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Invention; Available for Licensing

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DOD.  
**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The invention listed below is assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and are available for licensing by the Department of the Navy. Patent application 10/945,573: ELECTROMAGNETIC WEAPON.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests for copies of the invention cited should be directed to the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Div, Code 054, Bldg 1, 300 Highway 361, Crane, IN 47522-5001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Brian Bailey, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Crane Div, Code 054, Bldg 1, 300 Highway 361, Crane, IN 47522-5001, telephone (812) 854-2378. To download an application for license, see: [http://www.crane.navy.mil/newscommunity/techtrans\\_CranePatents.asp](http://www.crane.navy.mil/newscommunity/techtrans_CranePatents.asp).

(Authority: 35 U.S.C. 207, 37 CFR Part 404)

Dated: October 25, 2004.

**S.K. Melancon,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Federal Interagency Coordinating Council Meeting (FICC)

**AGENCY:** Federal Interagency Coordinating Council, Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice describes the schedule and agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Federal Interagency Coordinating Council (FICC). Notice of this meeting is intended to inform members of the general public of their opportunity to attend the meeting. The FICC will engage in policy discussions related to educational research for young children with communication difficulties and their families. The meeting will be open and accessible to the general public.

**DATE AND TIME:** FICC Meeting: Thursday, December 2, 2004 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** American Institutes for Research, 1000 Thomas Jefferson Street, NW., Conference Rooms B & C, 2nd Floor Washington, DC 20007.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Obral Vance, U.S. Department of Education, 550 12th Street SW., Room 4127, Washington, DC, 20202. Telephone: (202) 245-7584 (press 3). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call (1-800) 877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FICC is established under section 644 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1444). The FICC is established to: (1) Minimize duplication across Federal, State and local agencies of programs and activities relating to early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families and preschool services for children with disabilities; (2) ensure effective coordination of Federal early intervention and preschool programs,

including Federal technical assistance and support activities; and (3) identify gaps in Federal agency programs and services and barriers to Federal interagency cooperation. To meet these purposes, the FICC seeks to: (1) Identify areas of conflict, overlap, and omissions in interagency policies related to the provision of services to infants, toddlers, and preschoolers with disabilities; (2) develop and implement joint policy interpretations on issues related to infants, toddlers, and preschoolers that cut across Federal agencies, including modifications of regulations to eliminate barriers to interagency programs and activities; and (3) coordinate the provision of technical assistance and dissemination of best practice information.

Individuals who need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (*i.e.*, interpreting services, assistive listening devices, material in alternative format) should notify Obral Vance at (202) 245-7584 (press 3) or (1-800) 877-8339 (TDD) ten days in advance of the meeting. The meeting location is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Summary minutes of the FICC meetings will be maintained and available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, 550 12th Street SW., Room 4127, Washington, DC 20202, from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays, except Federal Holidays.

**Troy R. Justesen,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

**AGENCY:** President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of an open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and agenda of the meeting of the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of its opportunity to attend.

*Date:* Wednesday, December 8, 2004.

*Time:* 9 a.m.-3 p.m.