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

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer on (404) 498-1210.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Send comments to Seleda

Perryman, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS-D24, Atlanta, GA 30333. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project: The National Birth Defects Prevention Study (OMB 0920-0010)—Extension—National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has been monitoring the occurrence of serious birth defects and genetic diseases in Atlanta since 1967 through the Metropolitan Atlanta Congenital Defects Program (MACDP). The MACDP is a population-based surveillance system for birth defects in the 5 counties of Metropolitan Atlanta. Its primary purpose is to describe the spatial and temporal patterns of birth defects occurrence and serve as an early warning system for new teratogens. From 1993 to 1996, NCBDDD conducted the Birth Defects Risk Factor Surveillance (BDRFS) study, a case-control study of risk factors for selected birth defects. Infants with birth defects were identified through MACDP and maternal interviews, and clinical/laboratory tests were conducted on approximately 300 cases and 100 controls per year. Controls were selected from among normal births in the same population.

In 1997 the BDRFS became the National Birth Defects Prevention Study (NBDPS). The major components of the study did not change.

The NBDPS is a case-control study of major birth defects that includes cases identified from existing birth defect surveillance registries in ten states (including metropolitan Atlanta). Control infants are randomly selected from birth certificates or birth hospital records. Mothers of case and control infants are interviewed using a computer-assisted telephone interview. Parents are asked to collect cheek cells from themselves and their infants for DNA testing. Information gathered from both the interviews and the DNA specimens will be used to study independent genetic and environmental factors as well as gene-environment

interactions for a broad range of carefully classified birth defects.

OMB approval for NBDPS was obtained in September 1999 and will expire 30 November 2002. This request is submitted to obtain approval for current NBDPS activities for three more years with one change indicated below:

The CDC NBDPS currently remunerates participants for the biologic sample collection portion of the study. The cheek cell kits include \$20.00 as an incentive to complete them and send them back. Overall, only 50% of participants completing the interview send in a completed cheek cell kit. While some subjects have stated that they do not wish to provide buccal samples due to their concerns about genetic testing, many subjects state that it is time consuming and difficult to remember to complete the kit and mail it back. An additional \$20.00 incentive will be added that is linked to the return of the cheek cell kits. It is appropriate to have a higher level of compensation for those who spend the additional time to complete the cheek cell collection and return the kit than for those who only receive the kit and invest no time in further participation. This would make a total of \$60.00 compensation (\$20.00 for the completing of the interview, \$20.00 for receiving the cheek cell kit and \$20.00 for returning the kit) for subjects who choose to complete the entire study including the return of the cheek cell samples for herself and the baby or for just herself if the baby is deceased. While samples are requested from the father, the third incentive would not be dependent on the cooperation of the father since this may pose a hardship to those mothers who are not in regular contact with the father. Given the time and inconvenience required for the entire study (interview and cheek cell), a total of \$60.00 is an appropriate level of compensation. The additional \$20.00 money order is expected to increase the number of kits that are completed and returned and will be included in the thank you letter that each participant receives upon completion of the study. This is no cost to respondents.

Survey	No. of respondents	No. of responses/respondent	Avg. burden/response (in hrs.)	Total burden in hours
NBDPS Case/Control Interview	400	1	1	400
Cheek Cell Collection (mother/father/infant)	1,200	2	20/60	800
Completion of Entire Study	400	1	1	400
Total				1600

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[Program Announcement 02163]

Support for Civil Society Organizations Responding to HIV/AIDS in Zimbabwe; Notice of Availability of Funds; Amendment III

A notice announcing the availability of Fiscal Year 2002 funds for cooperative agreements for Support for Civil Society Organizations Responding to HIV/AIDS in Zimbabwe was published in the **Federal Register** on May 23, 2002, Volume 67, Number 100, Pages 36194-36196. Amendment II to the original notice was published in the **Federal Register** on August 6, 2002, Volume 67, Number 101, Pages 50891-50892 to communicate a set of Funding Priorities established by the CDC-Zimbabwe AIDS Program Office.

This Amendment serves to announce that CDC has elected to rescind Amendment II to this Program Announcement. The responsiveness of all applications received under this Program Announcement will be evaluated against the Evaluation Criteria set forth in the original Program Announcement published May 23, 2002. Applicants are not required to submit any additional information or applications.

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Sandra R. Manning,

Director, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service Activities and Research at Department of Energy (DOE) Sites: Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory Health Effects Subcommittee (INEELHES)

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announce the following meeting.

Name: Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service Activities and Research at Department of Energy (DOE) Sites: Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory Health Effects Subcommittee (INEELHES).

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., November 6, 2002. 8:30 a.m.-11:15 p.m., November 7, 2002.

Place: The Coeur d'Alene, 115 South 2nd Street, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83816, telephone (208)767-4000, fax (208)664-7276.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50 people.

Background: Under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in December 1990 with DOE, and replaced by MOUs signed in 1996 and 2000, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was given the responsibility and resources for conducting analytic epidemiologic investigations of residents of communities in the vicinity of DOE facilities, workers at DOE facilities, and other persons potentially exposed to radiation or to potential hazards from non-nuclear energy production use. HHS delegated program responsibility to CDC.

In addition, a memo was signed in October 1990 and renewed in November 1992, 1996, and in 2000, between ATSDR and DOE. The MOU delineates the responsibilities and procedures for ATSDR's public health activities at DOE sites required under sections 104, 105, 107, and 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund"). These activities include health consultations and public health assessments at DOE sites listed on, or proposed for, the Superfund National Priorities List and at sites that are the subject of petitions from the public; and other health-related activities such as epidemiologic studies, health surveillance, exposure and disease registries, health education, substance-specific applied research, emergency response, and preparation of toxicological profiles.

Purpose: This subcommittee is charged with providing advice and recommendations to the Director, CDC, and the Administrator, ATSDR, regarding community concerns pertaining to CDC's and ATSDR's public

health activities and research at this DOE site. The purpose of this meeting is to provide a forum for community interaction and to serve as a vehicle for community concerns to be expressed as advice and recommendations to CDC and ATSDR.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items include DOE Research Program and discussion of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurement Report 136; Status Report on Dose Reconstruction; Biological Bases of Cancer; Projected Future Doses from Snake River Aquifer Contaminants; Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory (INEEL) Public Health Assessment; Combining Doses from Nevada Test Site Fallout, Global Fallout, and Hanford; and Presentation on INEEL Meteorological Issues. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person for More Information: Natasha Friday, Executive Secretary, INEELHES, Radiation Studies Branch, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, National Center for Environmental Health, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E. (E-39), Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone (404)498-1800, fax (404)498-1811.

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National Health And Nutrition Examination Survey III (NHANES) DNA Specimens: Guidelines for Proposals To Use Samples and Proposed Cost Schedule; Amendment

A notice announcing the availability of DNA Specimens from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey III (NHANES) with guidelines for proposals to use samples and a proposed cost schedule was published in the **Federal Register** on August 8, 2002, [Vol. 67 Number 153, Pages 51585-51589]. The notice is amended as follows:

(1) On page 51585, second column under Summary: replace the first sentence of the last paragraph with: Although all researchers are encouraged to submit letters of intent, proposals will be accepted without a letter of intent. If a researcher wishes to submit