DATES: November 21, 1996, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

PLACE: Crowne Plaza Parc Fifty Five Hotel, 55 Cyril Magnin Street, San Francisco, California 94102.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The President established the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) by Executive Order 12975, October 3, 1995. The purpose of NBAC is to provide advice and make recommendations to the National Science and Technology Council and other appropriate entities on bioethical issues arising from research on human biology and behavior and the applications, including the clinical applications, of that research.

Tentative Agenda

Thursday November 21, 1996

Morning Session

8:30 a.m.   Call to Order, Opening Remarks, and Introductions
9:00 a.m.   Presentations By Invited Officials and Guests and Discussion With NBAC Commissioners—What Have Commissions Done About the Protection of Human Subjects in Research and the Management and Use of Genetic Information?
10:00 a.m.   Break
10:45 a.m.   Morning Presentations and Discussion Continue
12:30 p.m.   Lunch

Afternoon Session

1:00 p.m.   Presentation by Amy Gutmann, Ph.D.—Deliberating About Ethics in a Democracy: Some Reflections for Commissions
2:00 p.m.   Presentations By Invited Officials and Guests and Discussion With NBAC Commissioners—What Characteristics of Commissions—Such as Scope, Sponsorship, Public Access, Professional Dominance, Evaluation and Soundness, and Role and Structure—Contribute to Success or Failure?
4:00 p.m.   Public Comment
4:30 p.m.   Adjourn

Public Participation

The meeting is open to the public with attendance limited to space available. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements should contact NBAC at the address or telephone number listed below at least seven business days prior to the meeting. Reasonable provisions will be made to include on the agenda presentations by persons requesting an opportunity to speak. Individuals who plan to attend the meeting and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other special accommodations should also contact NBAC at the address or telephone number listed below at least seven business days prior to the meeting. Persons who wish to file written statements with NBAC may do so at any time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia Norris, Communications Director, National Bioethics Advisory Commission, MSC–7508, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Suite 3C01, Rockville, Maryland 20892–7508, telephone 301–402–4242, fax 301–480–6900.

Dated: November 5, 1996.

Phillip R. Lee,

Assistant Secretary for Health.

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Review and Evaluation of the NIOSHTIC® and Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS®) Electronic Databases

AGENCY: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: NIOSH is conducting a comprehensive evaluation of two of its electronic databases, the NIOSH Technical Information Center (NIOSHTIC®) and the Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS®). The goal of this evaluation is to determine the importance and usefulness of NIOSHTIC® and RTECS® to the national and international occupational safety and health communities and to other users. Evaluation results will be used to generate a set of recommendations outlining possible options for the future of these databases.

DATES: Written comments on the issues outlined below should be submitted to Diane Manning, NIOSH Docket Office, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Mailstop C–34, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226, or by fax (513) 533–8285. Comments must be received on or before December 13, 1996. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to: dmm2@NIOSDT1.em.cdc.gov. as WordPerfect 5.0, 5.1/5.2, 6.0/6.1, or ASCII files.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Technical information may be obtained from Jay Bainbridge, NIOSH, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., Mailstop D–40, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone (404) 639–3526, e-mail address: jkb1@niood1.em.cdc.gov.

Information may also be obtained by calling 1–800–35–NIOSH or through the NIOSH Home Page: http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/homepage/html.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NIOSH is interested in all comments regarding these databases, particularly useful would be comments about the following: the utility of the specific databases, the ability for these specific databases to supply needed information, the negative impact if the databases were no longer available, sources of comparable data, and suggestions for improvement.

Dated: November 4, 1996.

Diane D. Porter,

Acting Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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Health Care Financing Administration

[BPD–879–NC]

Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Announcement of Additional Application From Hospital Requesting Waivers for Organ Procurement Service Area and Technical Correction

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice with comment period.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an additional application which HCFA has received from a hospital requesting a waiver from dealing with its designated area organ procurement organization (OPO) in accordance with section 1138(a)(2) of the Social Security Act. It supplements notices published in the Federal Register on January 19, 1996 and May 17, 1996, that announced hospital waiver requests received by HCFA. Effective January 1, 1996, a hospital is required to have an agreement with the OPO designated for the area in which it is located unless HCFA grants it a waiver to have an agreement with an alternative, out-of-area OPO. This notice requests comments from OPOs and the general public for our consideration in determining whether such a waiver should be granted.

DATES: Written comments will be considered if we receive them at the appropriate address, as provided below,