

Office of Community Oriented Policing Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice of information collection under review; Survey protocol: COPS MORE (Making Officer Redeployment Effective) '95.

The Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the emergency review procedures of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Emergency review and approval of this information collection is requested by March 8, 1997, and is only valid for 180 days. The Department of Justice is also using this notice to seek public comments for 60 days until May 2, 1997.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to OMB, Office of Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC, 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to OMB via facsimile to 202-395-7285. Comments may also be submitted to the Department of Justice (DOJ), Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to DOJ via facsimile to 202-514-1590. Written comments may also be submitted to Stacy Curtis, Social Science Analyst, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, 1100 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20530, or via facsimile at (202) 616-5998.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) Type of Information Collection: New collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Survey Protocol: COPS MORE (Making Officer Redeployment Effective) '95.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form: COPS 18/01. Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, U.S. Department of Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: State, local and tribal law enforcement agencies that received a COPS MORE '95 grant and that were selected to participate in a phone survey. COPS MORE (Making Officer Redeployment Effective) '95 provided grant monies to selected law enforcement agencies that submitted grant applications requesting financial assistance for the purchase of equipment, hiring of civilians, and provision of overtime resulting in the redeployment of law enforcement officers to community oriented policing activities. The 1994 Crime Bill states that grants for equipment, technology, and support systems may not be awarded in FY 1998-2000 unless the Attorney General has certified that grants awarded in fiscal years 1995-1997 have resulted in an increase in the number of officers deployed in community policing. The survey in consideration covers all areas necessary to determine the effectiveness of COPS MORE '95 in meeting the above criteria.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: Survey Protocol: COPS MORE (making Officer Redeployment Effective) '95: Approximately 200 respondents, at 1.25 hours per response (including record-keeping).

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: Approximately 250 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and

Security Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: February 25, 1997.

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Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

Notice is hereby given that a proposed consent decree embodying a partial settlement in *United States v. Allied-Signal, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 93-6490 MRP, was lodged on February 18, 1997, with the United States District Court for the Central District of California. The decree resolves the liability of the settling defendants for reimbursement of response costs incurred pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9601 *et seq.*, by the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") at the North Hollywood Operable Unit ("NHO") of the San Fernando Valley Basin Superfund Site ("SFVB"), in the greater Los Angeles area. The settling defendants and third-party defendants, AlliedSignal, Inc.; Hawker Pacific, Inc.; Los Angeles By-Products Company, Inc.; California Car Hikers Service; Gordon N. and Peggy M. Wagner; Joseph W. Basinger; Parker-Hannifin Corporation; Inchcape, Inc.; Crown Disposal Company, Inc.; Western Waste Industries, Inc.; Browning-Ferris Industries, Inc.; E.I. DuPont De Nemours, Inc.; HR Textron, Inc.; AVX Filters Corporation; Price Pfister, Inc.; Nupla Corporation; Herman and Isabel Benjamin; and the Benjamin Family Trust, have agreed to pay a total of \$4,812,500 to the United States to resolve their liability for past and future NHO response costs and past SFVB Basin-wide costs through April 30, 1992.

The consent decree includes a covenant not to sue under Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9606, 9607, and under Section 7003 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. § 6973.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and