FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Notice of Agreement(s) Filed

The Commission hereby gives notice of the filing of the following agreement(s) under the Shipping Act of 1984.

Interested parties may review or obtain copies of agreements at the Washington, DC offices of the Commission, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Room 962. Interested parties may submit comments on an agreement to the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573, within 10 days of the date this notice appears in the Federal Register.

Agreement No.: 224–201008–001.
Title: South Carolina–P&O Nedlloyd Service Agreement.
Parties: South Carolina State Ports Authority P&O Nedlloyd Limited
Synopsis: The proposed amendment reflects a name change of one of the parties, provides for a changed vessel unit fee and makes arrangements for a preferential berth. The amendment also extends the terms of the agreement through May 12, 1999.
Dated: August 26, 1998.
By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Joseph C. Polking,
Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

[ATSDR–133]

Availability of the Interagency Workgroup Document, A Draft Report on Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS)

AGENCY: Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the draft document, A Report on Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS), by the Interagency Workgroup on Multiple Chemical Sensitivity. The public is invited to comment on this draft report.

DATES: Comments must be received by October 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The report is available by contacting ATSDR’s Information Center, 1600 Clifton Road, Mail Stop E57, Atlanta, GA 30333, 1–800–447–1544, attention Alice Knox.

Please submit written comments relating to the report to the same location. Because these comments may be made available upon public request, please do not send any personal, medical, or other information that you do not wish to make public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: ATSDR’s Information Center at the above address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Multiple chemical sensitivity (MCS) is the term most commonly applied to a health condition of interest to patients, health care providers, and health and environmental agencies alike. Symptoms range from minor discomfort to extreme disability and isolation. Because of the concern for the health and well-being of persons with symptoms of MCS, several federal agencies formed a workgroup in 1995 to review scientific literature pertinent to MCS, consider recommendations from various expert panels on MCS, and develop technical and policy recommendations for the agencies to consider. The departments and agencies represented on the Interagency Workgroup on Multiple Chemical Sensitivity are: Department of Defense, Department of Energy, Department of Health and Human Services (Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Centers for Disease Control (CDC), National Center for Environmental Health, CDC, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences), Department of Veterans Affairs, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The Department of Health and Human Services’ Environmental Health Policy Committee (EHPC), chaired by the Assistant Secretary for Health, has monitored the preparation of the interagency report. The EHPC is the senior level policy committee for environmental health issues in the Department. The committee has liaison members from other federal departments that have environmental and public health responsibilities.

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) is providing administrative support for the Interagency Workgroup’s report. Comments on the report will be provided by ATSDR to the Interagency Workgroup for consideration.

The workgroup has developed a draft document entitled, A Report on Multiple Chemical Sensitivity. Summary findings, research recommendations and policy recommendations are provided in this report.

This document, A Report on Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS), and its availability for public comment is being announced through this Federal Register notice.


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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Information Collection from applicants who will respond to Request for Applications for funding of 6 OCS competitive grants

OMB No.: 0970–0062

Description: The Office of Community Services is requesting approval to continue the use of its program announcements to collect information which will enable the agency to determine which projects to fund and the amount of the grant awards. The programs covered include: Community Food and Nutrition; Discretionary Grants Program; Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program; Job Opportunities for Low-Income Individuals; Training and Technical Assistance and Capacity Building; and Family Violence Prevention and Services Program. Information collected from the requirements contained in these 6 program announcements will be the sole source of information available to OCS in reviewing applications leading to awards of discretionary grants to eligible applicants.

The application forms that will be used contain information for competitive review in accordance with the program announcements’ guidelines. The data provided is necessary to compute the amount of the grant in relation to proposed project activities by the ACF Grant Officers. OMB recommended that ACF submit one information collection package covering all OCS program announcements, since the same application form is used in each announcement. This information collection was last approved in 1995 and is due to expire September 30,