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Dated: November 30, 2001.

Bryant L. VanBrakle,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2001.

The business of the Board requires that this meeting be held with less than one week's advance notice to the public, and no earlier announcement of the meeting was practicable.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Future capital framework. (This item was originally announced for a closed meeting on December 3, 2001.)
2. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.
3. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Michelle A. Smith, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: December 3, 2001.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), formerly Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA).

ACTION: Notice of a new system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, we are proposing to establish a new system of records. The proposed system is titled "Medicare Beneficiary Database (MBD)," HHS/CMS/CBS, System No. 09-70-0536. The Medicare program is rapidly changing to accommodate expansion of new service delivery models and payment options, allowing for more medical choices for its beneficiaries. To successfully support ongoing and expanded program administration, service delivery modalities and payment coverage options, CMS proposes to establish an enterprise database. More specifically, the proposed system will contain a complete "beneficiary insurance profile" that reflects individual Medicare and Medicaid health insurance coverage and Medicare health plan and demonstration enrollment. Once fully developed, the MBD would provide a database of pertinent and comprehensive personal data on people with Medicare and persons dually eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid under either the Fee for Service or Managed Care Programs. It would support data processing, at the discrete beneficiary level, necessary for continued and evolving program operations including but not limited to Medicare claims payment, entitlement, Medicare + Choice elections and payments, coordination of benefits for the purpose of conducting Medicare business, payment demonstrations and Medicaid coverage. The data in this database is held at the person level and is identified through use of an individual health insurance claim number. As such, the MBD would serve as CMS's singular, reliable and authoritative data source, from which all systems can retrieve current, standard, valid and timely data necessary for Medicare Program administration. MBD will provide CMS with a centralized database that is able to communicate with other systems

while being able to view, manage, and update beneficiary information. It will also provide new sets of data not found in existing CMS systems. Other groups of information maintained in this data management structure will be initially extracted from data elements currently maintained in other CMS systems of records: "Enrollment Database (EDB)" (formerly known as the Health Insurance Master Record), System No. 09-70-0502, "Group Health Plan (GHP), System No. 09-70-5001," and the "Medicaid Statistical Information System (MSIS), System No. 09-70-4001." These systems will remain active for the purposes stated in their current notices. The data elements include, but are not limited to, standard data for identification such as health insurance claim number (HICN), social security number (SSN), sex, race/ethnicity, date of birth, geographical location, Medicare entitlement information, M+C plan elections and enrollment, End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) coverage, primary insurance coverage, e.g., the "working aged" population, historic and current listing of residences, and Medicaid eligibility and Managed Care institutional status.

The MBD is in its first stage of a multi-year implementation. In its full implementation the MBD will be the national source of comprehensive beneficiary information and provide consistent information throughout Medicare operations. The first application of the MBD focuses on the Medicare Managed Care Program. The system is being developed in several different stages and this notice addresses the initial stage of development that will contain data of interest to the Medicare Managed Care program rather than the Fee For Service Program. The initial stage will include two major functions: (1) Allows system users to view and update beneficiary data based upon role based security access and (2) allows accurate and timely processing of beneficiary residence information particularly for mailings and to processing managed care payments. The MBD update function will ensure the accuracy and timeliness of data using business rules developed to assess and validate the correctness of new and changed data. However, historic data will be retained to provide insurance profiles for specified "points in time". Further, for accurate beneficiary residence address processing, the MBD identifies the conditions where the acceptance of new or corrected address information will trigger the establishment of a new or corrected period of Beneficiary