

information is used in navigation, planning, safety, National Security, emergency operations, and general interest studies and activities. Respondents are the terminal and transfer facility operators.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Annual Burden Hours: 372.

Number of Respondents: 1,489.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: Annually.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The data is used by the Corps of Engineers, in conjunction with other navigation information of waterway freight and passenger traffic, to evaluate the impact of redefining "the justified level of service" of the channel maintenance program. These data are also essential to the Waterborne Commerce Statistics Center in exercising their enforcement and quality control responsibilities in the collection of data from vessel reporting companies.

Luz D. Ortiz,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of the Army announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. 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 information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 13, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed

information collection should be sent to the USACE, Directorate of Civil Works, Institute for Water Resources, 7701 Telegraph Road/Casey Building, Alexandria, Virginia 22315-3868, ATTN: Virginia Pankow. Consideration will be given to all comments received within 60 days of the date of publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Department of the Army Reports Clearance Officer at (703) 692-1451.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Lock Performance Monitoring System (LPMS) Waterway Traffic Report; ENG Forms 3102C, 3102D; OMB Control No. 0710-0008.

Needs and Uses: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers utilizes the data collected to monitor and analyze the use and operation of federally owned and operated locks. Owners, agents and masters of vessels provide general data about vessels and estimated tonnage and commodities carried. The information is used for sizing and scheduling replacement or maintenance of locks and canals.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Annual Burden Hours: 28,507.

Number of Respondents: 3,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The data is used primarily by the Corps of Engineers in conducting a systems wide approach to planning and management of the waterway. The Headquarters, Division and District Offices use the information specifically to assist in making determinations on: Adequate staffing for operations and maintenance of the navigation locks and dams; to justify the hours of locks operation; to provide a basis to justify the continued funding as set out in the President's Operation and Maintenance, General Budget; to schedule route maintenance and repairs; to serve as a basis for studies and plans for improvement; for lock operating procedures; to provide data to be used in analyses for major modifications or replacements to lock and dam structures; and to forecast the impact the lock delays, downtime, and proposed changes have on the diversion

of waterborne commerce to other transportation modes.

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ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Directorate of Civil Works, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20314-1000, ATTN: CECW-OR (Celestine S. Robertson). Consideration will be given to all comments received within 60 days of the date of publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Department of the Army Reports Clearance Officer at (703) 692-1451.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Customer Service Survey—Regulatory Program U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; ENG Form 5065; OMB Control No. 0710-0012.

Needs and Uses: Survey of applicants who are required to obtain permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to

build on or conduct dredge and fill operations in United States waters. Opinions on the quality of service are used to make program improvements.

Affected Public: Business or Other for Profit.

Annual Burden Hours: 15,000.

Number of Respondents: 60,000.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Corps will conduct surveys of customers at our districts, division and headquarters offices, currently a total of 49 offices. Most customer responses will be solicited by the 38 districts. These elements will tabulate their survey results and send copies to headquarters for a Corps wide tabulation. The survey form will be provided to the public when they receive a regulatory product, primarily a permit decision or wetland determination.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Application Concerning High-Throughput Assays for the Proteolytic Activities of Clostridial Neurotoxins

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/962,260 entitled "High Throughput Assays for the Proteolytic Activities of Clostridial Neurotoxins" filed September 25, 2001. Foreign rights are also available (PCT/US01/30188). The United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army has rights in this invention.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR-JA, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, Maryland 21702-5012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For patent issues, Ms. Elizabeth Arwine, Patent Attorney, (301) 619-7808. For licensing issues, Dr. Paul Mele, Office of Research & Technology Assessment,

(301) 619-6664, both at telefax (301) 619-5034.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In this application are described substrates for high-throughput assays of clostridial neurotoxin proteolytic activities. Two types of substrates are described for use in assays for the proteolytic activities of clostridial neurotoxins: (1) Modified peptides or proteins that can serve as FRET substrates and (2) modified peptides or proteins that can serve as immobilized substrates. In both types a fluorescent molecule is present in the substrate, eliminating the requirement for the addition of a fluorogenic reagent. The assays described can be readily adapted for use in automated or robotic systems.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Application Concerning Compositions and Methods for Reducing Blood and Fluid Loss From Open Wounds

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent Application No. 60/300,384 entitled "Compositions and Methods for Reducing Blood and Fluid Loss from Open Wounds" filed June 22, 2001. The United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army has rights in this invention.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR-JA, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, Maryland 21702-5012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For patent issues, Ms. Elizabeth Arwine, Patent Attorney, (301) 619-7808. For licensing issues, Dr. Paul Mele, Office of Research & Technology Assessment, (301) 619-6664, both at telefax (301) 619-5034.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The invention described herein relates to methods for reducing and/or stopping bleeding or fluid loss from open wound, denuded tissue or burned skin, comprising the step of applying to the

open wound, denuded tissue or burned skin a gel-forming composition comprising at least one of the following compositions: a polyacrylic acid having the structural formula $[\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCO}_2\text{H}]_n$, where n is between 10,000 and 70,000; a polyacrylic acid and a desiccated water soluble organic or inorganic base; polyacrylic acid and a desiccated poorly soluble basic salt, and a polyvinyl alcohol having the structural formula of $[\text{CH}_2=\text{CHOH}]_n$, where n is between 15,000 and 150,000. When the gel-forming composition is applied to the open wound, denuded tissue, or burned skin, its ions react therein the presence of water from blood or body fluid therein to form an aqueous gel or mucilage having sufficient viscosity and adhesiveness to cover and adhere to the open wound, denuded tissue, or burned skin so that bleeding or fluid loss is thereby reduced and/or stopped.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Application Concerning Method for Detecting Clostridium Botulinum Neurotoxin Serotypes A, B, E and F in a Sample

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/952,078 entitled "Method for Detecting Clostridium Botulinum Neurotoxin Serotypes A, B, E and F in a Sample" filed September 14, 2001. Foreign rights are also available (PCT/US01/28641). The United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army has rights in this invention.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR-JA, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, Maryland 21702-5012.

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