

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Technology Administration****Announcing a Public Workshop on Digital Entertainment and Rights Management**

AGENCY: Technology Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of a public workshop.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Commerce Technology Administration (TA) announces a public workshop on digital entertainment and its availability to consumers. The workshop will help gather data on such issues as the status of technical standards that provide the framework necessary to enable legitimate digital media distribution and the present state of strengths, weaknesses and availability of current and imminent technological solutions to protect digital content, barriers that are inhibiting movies, music and games from coming online.

DATES: This workshop will be held on July 17, 2002, from 1 p.m.–4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 4830, Washington, DC. Entrance on 14th between Pennsylvania and Constitution Aves., NW.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Further information relevant to the substantive issues to be addressed by this workshop may be obtained from Chris Israel Deputy Assistant Secretary for Technology Policy, Technology Administration, (202) 482–5687. Limited seating will be available to members of the general public. It is recommended that persons wishing to become general public attendees arrive early, as seating will be first come, first served.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to its statutory authority found at 15 U.S.C. 3704(c), the Technology Administration is authorized, among other things, to conduct technology policy analyses to improve United States industrial productivity, technology, and innovation, cooperate with United States industry in the improvement of its productivity, technology, and ability to compete successfully in world markets, and identify technological needs, problems, and opportunities within and across industrial sectors, that, if addressed, could make a significant contribution to the economy of the United States.

With these responsibilities in mind, the Technology Administration is planning on holding a moderated series of informal discussions with relevant

stakeholders to gather information on the availability of digital entertainment and status of copyright protection and rights management tools. The discussions will help gather data on such issues as the strength, weaknesses and availability of technological solutions, as well as network capability, and the proper role for the Government in facilitating solutions that are best for innovation and best for consumers.

Topics to be addressed at the workshop include:

- ▶ The effectiveness of efforts to pursue technical standards or solutions that are designed to provide a more predictable and secure environment for digital transmission of copyright material;
- ▶ Major obstacles facing an open commercial exchange of digital content;
- ▶ What a future framework for success might entail;
- ▶ Current consumer attitude towards online entertainment.

The workshop will focus on these and other related issues. Anyone wishing to comment on these or raise related issues is free to do so, either in writing before the meeting, or in person at the meeting. Prior comments will be collected via the Technology Administration Web site—www.ta.doc.gov/<<http://www.ta.doc.gov/>> and are requested by July 11, 2002.

Authority: This work effort is being initiated pursuant to TA's statutory responsibilities, codified at section 3704 of Title 15 of the United States Code.

Dated: June 28, 2002.

Phillip J. Bond,

Undersecretary of Commerce for Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 2, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Lauren Wittenberg, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office

of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address Lauren_Wittenberg@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) title; (3) summary of the collection; (4) description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) reporting and/or recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: June 27, 2002.

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Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: Application for Grants under Upward Bound (UB) & Upward Bound Math/Science (UBMS) Programs.

Frequency: Once every four years.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; Businesses or other for-profit; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 1,450.

Burden Hours: 49,300.

Abstract: The application form is needed to conduct a national competition for the Upward Bound and Upward Bound Math and Science Centers Programs for program year 2003–04. These programs provide federal financial assistance in the form of grants to institutions of higher education, public and private agencies and organizations, combinations of