either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at *www.ffiec.gov/nic/*.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than December 9, 2003.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Jay Bernstein, Bank Supervision Officer) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. Bayerische Hypo– und Vereinsbank AG, and Munchener Ruckversicherungs-Gesellschaft AG, both of Munich, Germany; to acquire through Indentrus, LLC, eFinance Corporation, San Francisco, California,and thereby engage in credit bureau services, including maintaining customers' credit history and providing that information to credit grantors, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(2)(v) of Regulation Y; furnishing general economic information and advice, general economic statistical forecasting services or industry studies, pursuant to section 225.28(6)(ii) of Regulation Y; and in management consulting services, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(9) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, November 19, 2003.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of proposed collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Type of Information Collection Request: New collection;

Title of Information Collection: Evaluation of the Office of Minority Health Resource Center;

Form/OMB No.: OS–0990-NEW;

Use: The evaluation will assess the extent to which programmatic improvements made after the previous evaulation have improved service delivery and the impacts that services like HIV/AIDS technical assistance have on minority communities.

Frequency: On occasion;

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit, State, local or tribal government;

Annual Number of Respondents: 1352;

Total Annual Responses: 1352

Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes;

Total Annual Hours: 286.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access the HHS Web site address at *http://www.hhs.gov/oirm/infocollect/pending/* or e-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OS document identifier, to *John.Burke@hhs.gov,* or call the Reports Clearance Office on (202) 690–8356. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: (OMB #0990–OMH/CSS), New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: November 18, 2003.

John P. Burke,

Paperwork Reduction Act Reports Clearance Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Solicitation of the Nomination of Candidates To Serve as Members of the National Vaccine Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Vaccine Program Office (NVPO), a program office within the Office of Public Health and Science, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is soliciting nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as members to the National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC). The activities of this Committee are governed by the stipulations of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA).

DATES: All nominations must be received and/or postmarked no later than December 18, 2003.

ADDRESSES: All nominations should be sent to: Bruce G. Gellin, M.D., M.P.H., Director, National Vaccine Program Office, Office of Public Health and Science, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 725H, Washington, DC 20201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Ms. Carolin Commodore, Staff Assistant, National Vaccine Program Office, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Room 725H, Washington, DC 20201; (202) 690–1253.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Committee Function: Consistent with the National Vaccine Plan, the Committee advises and makes recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for Health in his/her capacity as the Director of the National Vaccine Program (NVP) on matters related to the Program's responsibilities. Specifically, the Committee studies and recommends ways to encourage the availability of an adequate supply of safe and effective vaccination products in the United States; recommends research priorities and other measures to enhance the safety and efficacy of vaccines. The

Committee also advises the Assistant Secretary for Health in the implementation of sections 2102, 2103, and 2104 of the PHS Act; and identifies annually the most important areas of government and non-government cooperation that should be considered in implementing sections 2102, 2103, and 2104 of the PHS Act.

Qualifications and Information Required: Nominations are being sought for individuals who are engaged in vaccine research or the manufacture of vaccines, as well as individuals who are physicians, members of parent organizations concerned with immunizations, representatives of State or local health agencies or public health organizations. Individuals selected for appointment to the Committee will serve as voting members. Individuals selected for appointment to the Committee can be invited to serve terms with periods of up to four years.

Nominations should be typewritten. The following information should be included in the package of material submitted for each individual being nominated for consideration: (1) A letter of nomination that clearly states the name and affiliation of the nominee, the basis for the nomination (*i.e.*, specific attributes which qualify the nominee for service in this capacity), and a statement that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of the Committee; (2) the nominator's name, address, and daytime telephone number, and the home and/or work address, telephone number, and email address of the individual being nominated; and (3) a current copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae. Applications cannot be submitted by facsimile. The names of Federal employees should not be nominated for consideration of appointment to this Committee.

The Department makes every effort to ensure that the membership of DHHS Federal advisory committees is fairly balanced in terms of points of view represented and the committee's function. Every effort is made to ensure that a broad representation of geographic areas, females, ethnic and minority groups, and the disabled are given consideration for membership on DHHS Federal advisory committees. Appointment to this Committee shall be made without discrimination on the basis of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, disability, and cultural, religious, or socioeconomic status.

Dated: November 19, 2003.

Bruce G. Gellin,

Director, National Vaccine Program Office and Executive Secretary, National Vaccine Advisory Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed projects or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer on (404)498–1210.

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 collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Send comments to Seleda Perryman, CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS–D24, Atlanta, GA 30333. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project: Thyroid Disease in Persons Exposed to Radioactive Fallout from Atomic Weapons Testing at the Nevada Test Site: Phase III (OMB No. 0920–0504)—Extension—National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

In 1997, the National Cancer Institute (NCI) released a report entitled, Estimated Exposures and Thyroid Doses Received by the American People from I–131 in Fallout Following Nevada Nuclear Bomb Test. This report provided county-level estimates of the potential radiation doses to the thyroid gland of American citizens resulting from atmospheric nuclear weapons testing at the Nevada Test Site (NTS) in the 1950s and 1960s. The Institute of Medicine (IOM) conducted a formal peer review of the report at the request of the Department of Health and Human Services. In the review, IOM noted that the public might desire an assessment of the potential health impact of nuclear weapons testing on American populations. The IOM also suggested that further studies of the Utah residents who have participated in previous studies of radiation exposure and thyroid disease might provide this information.

CDC, National Center for Environmental Health proposes to conduct a study of the relation between exposure to radioactive fallout from atomic weapons testing and the occurrence of thyroid disease on an extension of a cohort study previously conducted by the University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah. This study is designed as a follow-up to a retrospective cohort study begun in 1965. This is the third examination (hence Phase III) of a cohort of individuals comprised of persons who were children living in Washington County, Utah, and Lincoln County, Nevada, in 1965 (Phase I) and who were presumably exposed to fallout from above-ground nuclear weapons testing at the Nevada Test Site in the 1950s. The cohort also includes a control group comprised of persons who were children living in Graham County, Arizona, in 1966 and presumably unexposed to fallout.

The study headquarters will be at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, Utah. The field teams will spend the majority of their time in the urban areas nearest the original counties if the same pattern of migration holds that was found in Phase II. These urban areas include St. George, Utah; the Wasatch Front in Utah; Las Vegas, Nevada; Phoenix/Tucson, Arizona; and Denver, Colorado. In addition, some time will be spent in California as a number of subjects had relocated there at the time of Phase II. The purposes of Phase III are three fold. First, the participants in Phase II will be reexamined for occurrence of thyroid neoplasia and other diseases since 1986, and residents of the three counties who moved before they could be included in the original cohort will be located and examined. Second, disease incidence will be analyzed in addition to period prevalence as used in the Phase II analysis, incidence analysis will allow for greater power to detect increased