Estimated Time Per Response: 1–20 hours.
Frequency of Response: Annual and quarterly reporting requirements, recordkeeping requirement and third party disclosure requirement.
Total Annual Burden: 6,677 hours.
Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Needs and Uses: Commission rules implemented the Coalition for Affordable Local and Long Distance Service (CALLS) proposal, which resolves major outstanding issues concerning access charges; the pending NPRM to address implicit universal service supporting in access charges, the X-factor remand, the Low-Volume Long-Distance Users NOI, the pending NPRM on geographically deaveraging SLC’s and the next scheduled price cap performance review. The Commission is seeking extension (no change) to this information collection and is submitting it to the OMB for the full three year clearance.

Federal Communications Commission.

Jonathan F. Curtis, Senior Financial Analyst, Regulations & Research Division. [FR Doc. 04–2529 Filed 2–4–04; 8:45 am]
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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD
[No. 2004–N–01]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Board.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) is seeking public comments concerning a three-year extension by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of the information collection entitled “Members of the Banks.”

DATES: Interested persons may submit comments on or before April 5, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Send comments by e-mail to comments@fhfb.gov, by facsimile to (202) 408–2560, or by regular mail to the Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006. Comments will be available on the Finance Board Web site at http://www.fhfb.gov/pressroom/pressroom_regs.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jonathan F. Curtis, Senior Financial Analyst, Regulations & Research Division. Office of Supervision, by e-mail at curtis@fhfb.gov, by telephone at (202) 408–2866, or by regular mail at the Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Need for and Use of the Information Collection

Section 4 of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act) establishes the eligibility requirements an institution must meet in order to become a member of a Federal Home Loan Bank (Bank). See 12 U.S.C. 1424. Part 925 of the Finance Board regulations—the membership rule—implements section 4 of the Bank Act. See 12 CFR part 925. The membership rule provides uniform requirements an applicant for Bank membership must meet, and review criteria a Bank must apply to determine if an applicant satisfies the statutory and regulatory membership eligibility requirements.

More specifically, the membership rule implements the statutory eligibility requirements and provides guidance to an applicant on how it may satisfy such requirements. The rule authorizes a Bank to approve or deny each membership application subject to the statutory and regulatory requirements and permits an applicant to appeal to the Finance Board a Bank’s decision to deny certification as a Bank member. The rule also imposes a continuing obligation on a current Bank member to provide information necessary to determine if it remains in compliance with applicable statutory and regulatory eligibility requirements.

The information collection, which is contained in sections 925.2 through 925.31 of the membership rule, 12 CFR 925.2–925.31, is necessary to enable a Bank to determine if a respondent satisfies the statutory and regulatory requirements to be certified initially and maintain its status as a member eligible to obtain Bank advances. The Finance Board requires and uses the information collection to determine whether to uphold or overrule a Bank’s decision to deny member certification to an applicant.

The OMB number for the information collection is 3069–0004. The OMB clearance for the information collection expires on May 31, 2004.

The likely respondents are institutions that want to be certified as or are members of a Bank.

B. Burden Estimate

The Finance Board estimates the total annual average number of applicants at 300, with one response per applicant. The estimate for the average hours per application is 21.5 hours. The estimate for the annual hour burden for applicants is 6,450 hours (300 applicants × 1 response per applicant × 21.5 hours per response).

The Finance Board estimates the total annual average number of maintenance respondents, i.e., current Bank members, at 8,100, with one response per member. The estimate for the average hours per maintenance response is 0.6 hours. The estimate for the annual hour burden for Bank members is 4,860 hours (8,100 members × 1 response per member × 0.6 hours per response).

The estimate for the total annual hour burden for all respondents is 11,310 hours.

C. Comment Request

The Finance Board requests written comments on the following: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of Finance Board functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the Finance Board’s estimates of the burdens of the collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collected; and (4) 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.


By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Don Demitros,
Chief Information Officer.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHFC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225) to engage de novo, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages 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 March 1, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
(Sue Costello, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:

1. Hibernia Corporation, New Orleans, Louisiana; to acquire Coastal Bancorp, Inc., Houston, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire Coastal Banc SSB, Houston, Texas, and thereby engage in operating a savings and loan, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y.


Robert deV. Friersson,
Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Office of the Secretary

Notice of Meeting: Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society

Pursuant to Public Law 92–463, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Secretary’s Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society (SACGHS), U.S. Public Health Service. The meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on March 1, 2004 and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on March 2, 2004 at the Marriott Hotel Bethesda on 5151 Pooks Hill Road, in Bethesda, Maryland. The meeting will be open to the public with attendance limited to space available. The meeting also will be broadcast. The first half of the first day will be devoted to a presentation on and discussion of the work of the Committee’s Inter-Meeting Task Force and priority setting process. The second half of the first day will consist of presentations on the issue of coverage and reimbursement, a possible priority area for the Committee. The second day will be entirely devoted to discussions around the top priorities and Committee action in these areas. Time will be provided each day for public comment.

Under authority of 42 U.S.C. 217a, section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, the Department of Health and Human Services established SACGHS to serve as a public forum for deliberations on the broad range of human health and societal issues raised by the development and use of genetic technologies and, as warranted, to provide advice on these issues.

The draft meeting agenda and other information about SACGHS, including information about access to the webcast, will be available at the following Web site: http://www4.od.nih.gov/oba/sacgsh.htm. Individuals who wish to provide public comment or who plan to attend the meeting and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the SACGHS Executive Secretary, Ms. Sarah Carr, by telephone at (301) 496–9838 or E-mail at sc112c@nih.gov. The SACGHS office is located at 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892.


LaVerne Stringfield,
Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Guide to Community Preventive Services (GCPS) Task Force

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting:

Name: Task Force on Community Preventive Services

Times and Dates:

8:30 a.m.–6:15 p.m., February 25, 2004
8 a.m.–1:45 p.m., February 26, 2004

Place: The Crowne Plaza Ravinia, 4355 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30346–1521, telephone (770) 395–7700.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available.

Purpose: The mission of the Task Force is to develop and publish a Guide to Community Preventive Services, which is based on the best available scientific evidence and current expertise regarding essential public health and what works in the delivery of those services.

Matters To Be Discussed: Agenda items include: briefings on administrative information, health care system interventions for obesity prevention, school based interventions for tobacco use prevention, environmental approaches to increasing physical activity, multi-component school nutrition programs for improving nutritional behavior and nutritional status of children and adolescents, group education approaches to promoting cancer screening, renewed progress on the Alcohol Chapter, folic acid reviews, implementing the vaccine coverage recommendations: Is the syringe half empty or half full? Violence Chapter.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

For Further Information Contact: Peter Briss, M.D., Chief, Community Guide Branch, Division of Prevention Research and Analytic Methods, Epidemiology Program Office, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, M/S K–73, Atlanta, Georgia, telephone (770) 488–8189.

Persons interested in reserving a space for this meeting should call (770) 488–8189 by close of business on February 23, 2004.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services office has been delegated the authority to sign Federal Register notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.


Alvin Hall,
Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, CDC.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel (SEP): Human Immunodeficiency Virus Prevention Projects for Community-Based Organizations, Program Announcement Number 04064

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following meeting:

Name: Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel (SEP): Human Immunodeficiency Virus Prevention Projects for Community-Based Organizations, Program Announcement Number 04064.

Times and Dates: 1 p.m.–4 p.m., February 22, 2004 (Open); 9 a.m.–5 p.m., February 23, 2004 (Closed); 9 a.m.–5 p.m., February 24, 2004 (Closed); 9 a.m.–5 p.m., February 25, 2004 (Closed); 9 a.m.–5 p.m., February 26, 2004 (Closed); 9 a.m.–5 p.m., February 27, 2004 (Closed); 9 a.m.–12 p.m., February 28, 2004 (Closed).

Place: The Westin Atlanta North at Perimeter Center, 7 Concourse Parkway,