

administered as a multivalent mixture. Compared to other human-bovine rotavirus reassortants, the compositions described in this technology induce an immunological response at significantly lower dosage than other human-bovine rotavirus reassortants (which required 10–100 times the dose of human-rhesus reassortants) and does not result in a low-grade, transient fever.

The prospective partially exclusive licenses will be royalty bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective partially exclusive licenses may be granted unless, within 90 days from the date of this published Notice, NIH receives written evidence and argument that establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

The field of use may be limited to development of human-bovine reassortant rotavirus vaccines.

The licensed territory will be exclusive as outlined above and excluding U.S., Europe, and Canada.

Properly filed competing applications for a license filed in response to this notice will be treated as objections to the contemplated license. Comments and objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available for public inspection, and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

Dated: September 17, 2004.

Steven M. Ferguson,

Director, Division of Technology Development and Transfer, Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine Announcement of Draft 5-Year Strategic Plan

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) is developing its 5-year strategic plan (2005–2009), and invites the public to provide comments on a draft of this plan. The draft plan will be publicly available through the NCCAM Web site at <http://nccam.nih.gov> from on or about October 4 through November 15, 2004. The

public is invited to provide comments through the mail and via the NCCAM Web site.

Background

The National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) was established in 1998 with the mission of exploring complementary and alternative healing practices in the context of rigorous science, training CAM researchers, and disseminating authoritative information to the public and professionals.

To date, NCCAM's efforts to rigorously study CAM, to train CAM researchers, to conduct outreach, and to facilitate integration have been guided by NCCAM's current strategic plan, "Expanding Horizons of Healthcare: Five Year Strategic Plan 2001–2005" located on the NCCAM Web site at <http://nccam.nih.gov/about/plans/fiveyear/index.htm>. Since its inception, NCCAM has funded over 800 research projects and has over 700 grantee publications.

NCCAM's new strategic plan will stipulate strategic goals and will outline a research agenda for CAM domains and scientific areas, based on identified needs and opportunities.

The public is invited to review the draft strategic plan and provide comments from October 4 through November 15, 2004. The draft plan may be viewed at <http://nccam.nih.gov/>. Hard copies of the plan may be obtained by calling 1–888–644–6226 or by e-mailing to info@nccam.nih.gov.

Request for Comments

The public is invited to provide comments on the draft strategic plan for 2005–2009. Comments may be provided through the NCCAM Web site at <http://nccam.nih.gov> or via U.S. mail to: Strategic Plan Feedback, National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine, NIH, 31 Center Drive, MSC 2182, Bethesda, MD 20892–2182.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: To request more information, visit the NCCAM Web site at <http://nccam.nih.gov>, call 1–888–644–6226, or e-mail info@nccam.nih.gov.

Comments Due Date

Comments regarding the draft of NCCAM's strategic plan are best assured of having their full effect if received by November 15, 2004.

Dated: September 15, 2004.

Christy Thomsen,

Director, Office of Communications and Public Liaison, National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG–2004–19167]

Statutory Monetary Civil Penalty Increase for Bridge Violations

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice is to inform the public that on August 9, 2004, President Bush signed the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 which, in part, increases the monetary civil penalty amount the Coast Guard can levy for a violation of bridge regulations and statutes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, call Chris Jaufmann, Coast Guard, telephone 202–267–0368.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 33 U.S.C. 495(b), 499(c), 502(c), and 533(b), authorizes assessing penalties for violations of bridge regulations found in 33 CFR parts 115, 116, 117, and 118. The maximum penalty amount that could be levied per bridge violation per day was \$1,000. In 1997, the maximum penalty amount was raised to \$1,100 to adjust for inflation.

On August 9, 2004 President Bush signed the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004 into law. (Pub. L. 108–293) section 601 of this act, raises the maximum civil penalty amount that the Coast Guard can levy per bridge violation per day from \$1,100 to \$5,000 for the remainder of 2004. The Act then raises that amount by \$5,000 increments at the start of each calendar year until 2008 when the maximum amount allowed per violation per day will be \$25,000. Thus, the penalty is \$5,000 for a violation occurring in 2004; \$10,000 for a violation occurring in 2005; \$15,000 for a violation occurring in 2006; \$20,000 for a violation occurring in 2007; and \$25,000 for a violation occurring in 2008 and every year after that. This increase took effect immediately upon signature.

Dated: September 20, 2004.

N.E. Mpras,

Chief, Office of Bridge Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2004-19149]

National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee (NOSAC) and its Liftboat Subcommittee will meet to discuss various issues relating to offshore safety and security. Both meetings will be open to the public.

DATES: NOSAC will meet on Thursday, October 28, 2004, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Liftboat Subcommittee will meet on Wednesday, October 27, 2004, from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. These meetings may close early if all business is finished.

Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before October 14, 2004. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee should reach the Coast Guard on or before October 14, 2004.

ADDRESSES: NOSAC will meet in the "Music Hall" room of the Hotel Galvez, 2024 Seawall Boulevard, Galveston, Texas. The Liftboat Subcommittee will meet in the "West Parlor" room of the same hotel. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Commander J. M. Cushing, Commandant (G-MSO-2), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. This notice is available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Commander J. M. Cushing, Executive Director of NOSAC, or Mr. Jim Magill, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone 202-267-1082, fax 202-267-4570.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of the meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agenda of Meetings

National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee. The agenda includes the following:

(1) Report on issues concerning the International Maritime Organization and

the International Organization for Standardization.

(2) SOLAS compliance for foreign operation of U.S. flagged Offshore Supply Vessels including Liftboats.

(3) Report from the Liftboat Subcommittee on operations procedure/training for liftboat operators.

(4) Offshore Helidecks—new and revised API and ICAO standards.

(5) Status report on Coast Guard/Minerals Management Service Inspection of Fixed Facilities.

(6) Revision of 33 CFR chapter I, subchapter N, Outer Continental Shelf activities.

(7) 33 CFR chapter I, subchapter NN, Temporary Final Rule on Deepwater Ports, and status of license submissions for LNG deepwater ports.

Liftboat Subcommittee. The agenda includes the following:

(1) Review and discuss previous work.

(2) Work on outline of Draft Report.

Procedural

The meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished. At the Chair's discretion, members of the public may make oral presentations during the meeting. If you would like to make an oral presentation at the meeting, please notify the Executive Director no later than October 14, 2004. Written material for distribution at the meeting should reach the Coast Guard no later than October 14, 2004. If you would like a copy of your material distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting, please submit 25 copies to the Executive Director no later than October 14, 2004.

Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact the Executive Director as soon as possible.

Dated: September 20, 2004.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1549-DR]

Alabama; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Alabama (FEMA-1549-DR), dated September 15, 2004, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 15, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated September 15, 2004, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that damage in certain areas of the State of Alabama resulting from Hurricane Ivan beginning on September 13, 2004, and continuing, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act). I, therefore, declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Alabama.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Individual Assistance and assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) under the Public Assistance program in the designated areas, and Hazard Mitigation throughout the State, and any other forms of assistance under the Stafford Act you may deem appropriate subject to completion of Preliminary Damage Assessments. Direct Federal assistance is authorized.

Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance, Hazard Mitigation, and the Other Needs Assistance under Section 408 of the Stafford Act will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. For a period of up to 72 hours, you are authorized to fund assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures, including direct Federal assistance, at 100 percent of the total eligible costs.