

administered by the Department, including the SDFSCA State Grants program;

(e) Be an enhancement to, or capable of merging data with, the State's student information system if such exists or if the State does not yet have a statewide, longitudinal student data system, the project should include the capacity to merge with such a system in the future; and

(f) Include validation and verification activities at the State and sub-State recipient levels designed to ensure the accuracy of data collected and reported.

Proposed Competitive Preference Priority—Use of Uniform Crime Reporting Definitions

Background: Uniform definitions of data elements make it easier for stakeholders to collect, analyze, and compare data across district, county, State, and other boundaries. The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program is the most universal crime reporting system in the country and collects information about the following crimes: Homicide; forcible rape; robbery; aggravated assault; burglary; larceny-theft; motor vehicle theft; and arson. The majority of States have a UCR program and many require mandatory reporting. Further information about the UCR is available online at <http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/ucr.htm>.

Competitive Preference Priority: The collection of incident data for projects under Priority 1 will be done in a manner consistent with the definitions and protocols developed under the Federal Bureau of Investigation's UCR program.

Other Proposed Requirements

Eligibility of Applicants: We propose that eligible applicants for this program be limited to State educational agencies (SEAs) or other State agencies administering the SDFSCA State Grants program.

We propose this requirement to focus projects on Statewide systems of data collection that support the UMIRS requirements. Local or regional projects are inconsistent with the emphasis in the SDFSCA on Statewide data collection systems for youth drug and violence prevention information.

Memorandum of Understanding: We propose that applicants be required to include a memorandum of understanding (MOU) in their application that outlines project roles and responsibilities of the participants and that contains:

1. The signatures of:

a. The authorized representative(s) for the SEA, and

b. The authorized representative(s) for the State agency (or agencies) receiving the Governor's portion of SDFSCA State Grants program funding for the State.

2. Evidence that the proposal has been reviewed by, and has the approval of, the State's chief information officer (CIO) and/or chief technology officer (CTO). The CIO and/or CTO may sign the required memorandum of understanding, or may provide a separate document including the required assurance.

We propose this requirement in order to ensure that entities responsible for the development of the UMIRS within a State will be involved in the design and implementation of any funded project, and that technical aspects of the project have the approval of the State official charged with overseeing information management and technology issues within the State.

Technology-Based System: We propose that each application be required to include a proposal for a technology-based system for collecting, analyzing, and interpreting school crime and violence data. Grant funds may be used in a variety of ways to support this system, including updating an existing infrastructure, conducting basic planning, and capacity building.

We propose this requirement to ensure that grant funds are used to support the development of a system that takes advantage of widely available technology to support the efficient collection, analysis and interpretation of school crime and violence data.

Executive Order 12866

This notice of proposed priorities and requirements has been reviewed in accordance with Executive Order 12866. Under the terms of the order, we have assessed the potential costs and benefits of this regulatory action.

The potential costs associated with the notice of proposed priorities and requirements are those resulting from statutory requirements and those we have determined as necessary for administering this program effectively and efficiently.

In assessing the potential costs and benefits—both quantitative and qualitative—of this notice of proposed priorities and requirements, we have determined that the benefits of the proposed priorities justify the costs.

We have also determined that this regulatory action does not unduly interfere with State, local, and tribal governments in the exercise of their governmental functions.

Intergovernmental Review

This program is subject to Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79. One of the objectives of the Executive order is to foster an intergovernmental partnership and a strengthened federalism. The Executive order relies on processes developed by State and local governments for coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance.

This document provides early notification of our specific plans and actions for this program.

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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 84.184R Grants to States to Improve Management of Drug and Violence Prevention Programs.)

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7131.

Deborah A. Price,

Assistant Deputy Secretary for Safe and Drug-Free Schools.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

AGENCY: President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and agenda of the meeting of the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and

Universities. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of its opportunity to attend.

DATES: Tuesday, March 22, 2005.

Time: 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Board will meet at the Renaissance Mayflower Hotel, 1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20036. Phone: 202–347–3000, Fax: 202–776–9182.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Leonard Dawson, Deputy Counselor, White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, 1990 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006; telephone: (202) 502–7889, fax: 202–502–7879.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities is established under Executive Order 13256, dated February 12, 2002, and Executive Order 13316 dated September 17, 2003. The Board is established (a) to report to the President annually on the results of the participation of historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) in Federal programs, including recommendations on how to increase the private sector role, including the role of private foundations, in strengthening these institutions, with particular emphasis on enhancing institutional planning and development, strengthening fiscal stability and financial management, and improving institutional infrastructure, including the use of technology, to ensure the long-term viability and enhancement of these institutions; (b) to advise the President and the Secretary of Education (Secretary) on the needs of HBCUs in the areas of infrastructure, academic programs, and faculty and institutional development; (c) to advise the Secretary in the preparation of an annual Federal plan for assistance to HBCUs in increasing their capacity to participate in Federal programs; (d) to provide the President with an annual progress report on enhancing the capacity of HBCUs to serve their students; and (e) to develop, in consultation with the Department of Education and other Federal agencies, a private sector strategy to assist HBCUs.

Agenda: The purpose of the meeting is to plan and coordinate Board activities for 2005–2006; to receive and deliberate on recommendations from the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO) and the United Negro College Fund (UNCF) on final recommendations

for the Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, and to discuss other items pertinent to the Board and the Nation's HBCUs.

Additional Information: Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, or material in alternative format) should notify ReShone Moore at (202) 502–7893, no later than Tuesday, March 15, 2005. We will attempt to meet requests for accommodations after this date but cannot guarantee their availability. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

An opportunity for public comment is available on Tuesday, March 22, 2005, between 2 p.m.–3 p.m. Those members of the public interested in submitting written comments may do so at the address indicated above by Tuesday, March 15, 2005.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the Office of the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006, during the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Dated: March 2, 2005.

Margaret Spellings,

Secretary of Education, Department of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

International Energy Agency Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Industry Advisory Board (IAB) to the International Energy Agency (IEA) will meet on March 16, 2005, at the headquarters of the IEA in Paris, France, in connection with a meeting of the IEA's Standing Group on Emergency Questions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with section 252(c)(1)(A)(i) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(1)(A)(i)) (EPCA), the following notice of meeting is provided:

A meeting of the Industry Advisory Board (IAB) to the International Energy

Agency (IEA) will be held at the headquarters of the IEA, 9, rue de la Federation, Paris, France, on March 16, 2005, beginning at 8:30 a.m. The purpose of this notice is to permit attendance by representatives of U.S. company members of the IAB at a meeting of the IEA's Standing Group on Emergency Questions (SEQ), which is scheduled to be held at the IEA on March 16, beginning at 9:30 a.m., including a preparatory encounter among company representatives from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. The agenda for the preparatory encounter is as follows:

- I. Welcome, Review of Agenda, and Introductions.
- II. Review of ERE 3 Issues.
 - Regional Supply Disruptions.
 - Market Understanding of Government Participants.
- III. Discussion of Potential SEQ Activities.
- IV. Closing and Review of Meetings of Interest to IAB Members.
 - SEQ and IAB Meeting, June 21–22, 2005, Paris.
 - SEQ and IAB Meeting, November 16–17, 2005, Paris (tentative).

The agenda for the SEQ meeting is under the control of the SEQ. It is expected that the SEQ will adopt the following agenda:

1. Adoption of the Agenda.
2. Approval of the Summary Record of the 112th Meeting.
3. Program of Work.
 - Evaluation of EPPD Activities 2003–2004.
 - Overview of Future Work in 2005.
4. Update on Compliance with IEP Stockholding Commitments.
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 - Analysis of the Reasons for Non-Compliance.
 - Reports by Non-Complying Member Countries.
 - Possible Measures to Assure Compliance with IEA Stockholding Commitments.
5. The Current Oil Market Situation and Emergency Preparedness.
 - Report on the New York Conference "Oil Price Formation & Speculative Activity", November 22–23, 2004, at NYMEX.
 - Discussion of Present Oil Market and Emergency Preparedness.
6. Emergency Response Exercise 3.
 - Summary and Appraisal of the Third Emergency Response Training and Simulation Exercise.
7. Report on Current Activities of the IAB.
8. Policy and Other Developments in Member Countries.
 - Report on U.S. Symposium on Stockholding, November 30–December 2, 2004.
 - Report on KKSZ Conference on Extended EU-Extended Security, Budapest, November 3–5, 2004.
9. Emergency Response Review Program.
 - Emergency Response Review of Greece.
 - Schedule of Emergency Response Reviews.