

Regulatory Information Management Services, 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 December 23, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Rachel Potter, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

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, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, 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: November 17, 2005.

Angela C. Arrington,

Leader, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Part D Discretionary Grant Application—Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions;

Federal Government; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 1,200.

Burden Hours: 30,000.

Abstract: Under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act discretionary grants are authorized to support technology, State personnel development, personnel preparation, parent training, and information and technical assistance activities. This grant application provides the forms and information necessary for applicants to submit an application for funding, and information for use by technical reviewers to determine the quality of application. Note the following changes: (1) Discretionary grants in the area of research have been excluded from this collection since special education research grants are now under the authority of IES. (2) State Personnel Development Grants (previously know as the State Improvement Grants under the 1820-0620 collection) have been added to this Part D umbrella collection. The 1820-0620 collection included a Q & A that is no longer relevant to the program and has not been used for several years. Other than the Q & A, there is no difference in the 1820-0620 collection and the 1820-0028 Part D umbrella collection. (3) Page B-8 of application package, paragraph 3, includes a detailed description of the abstract that applicants should include in the application.

This information collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1890-0001). Therefore, the 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 2930. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements

should be directed to Sheila Carey at her e-mail address Sheila.Carey@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 23, 2006.

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, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, 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.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used

in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: November 18, 2005.

Angela C. Arrington,

Leader, Information Management Case Services Team, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Consolidated State Application/ Consolidated State Annual Report.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 52.

Burden Hours: 7,800.

Abstract: This information collection package describes the proposed criteria and procedures that govern the consolidated State application under which State educational agencies will apply to obtain funds for implementing Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) programs. The option of submitting a consolidated application for obtaining federal formula program grant funds is provided for in the reauthorized ESEA (No Child Left Behind—NCLB) Sections 9301–9306. This information collection package will guide the States in identifying the information and data required in the application.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the “Browse Pending Collections” link and by clicking on link number 2886. When you access the information collection, click on “Download Attachments” to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202–4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202–245–6621. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Kathy Axt at her e-mail Kathy.Axt@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device

for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Request for Member Nominations; Hydrogen Technical and Fuel Cell Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of request for member nominations for the Hydrogen Technical and Fuel Cell Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Hydrogen Technical and Fuel Cell Advisory Committee (HTAC or Committee) was established by section 807 of Title VIII, Hydrogen (“Spark M. Matsunaga Act of 2005”), of the 2005 Energy Policy Act (Pub. L. 109–58). In order to ensure a wide range of candidates for HTAC and a balanced committee, DOE is using this public announcement as an avenue to solicit nominations for this Committee.

DATES: Nominations should be submitted by January 23, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Nominations should be submitted in electronic format. Nominations should be sent via e-mail to htac.nominees@ee.doe.gov. Any requests for further information should also be sent via e-mail to htac.nominees@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Committee will provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy (Secretary) on the program authorized by the Spark M. Matsunaga Hydrogen Act of 2005 (“the Act”). This Committee supersedes the Hydrogen Technical Advisory Panel established by the Spark M. Matsunaga Hydrogen Research, Development, Demonstration Program Act of 1990, Public Law 101–566, and reauthorized by the Hydrogen Future Act of 1996, Public Law 104–271.

The Committee’s scope is to review and make recommendations to the Secretary on (1) The implementation of programs and activities under the Act (42 U.S.C. 16151 et seq.), (2) the safety, economical, and environmental consequences of technologies for the production, distribution, delivery, storage, or use of hydrogen energy and fuel cells and (3) the plan under section 804 of the Act. The Secretary shall

consider, but need not adopt, any recommendations of HTAC.

DOE is hereby soliciting nominations for members of the Committee. The Committee is expected to be continuing in nature. The Secretary of Energy will appoint 12 to 25 Committee members. Members will be selected with a view toward achieving a balanced committee of representatives of domestic industry, academia, professional societies, government agencies, Federal laboratories, previous advisory panels, and financial, environmental and other appropriate organizations based on the needs of the Committee and DOE. Committee members will serve for a term of three years or less and may be reappointed. Appointments may be made in a manner that allows the terms of the members serving at any time to expire at spaced intervals, so as to ensure continuity in the functioning of the Committee. The Committee members will elect a chairperson from among their number. The Committee is expected to meet twice per year. Subcommittees to address specific agenda items are anticipated and may meet more frequently. Some Committee members may be appointed as special Government employees (SGEs) and will be subject to certain ethical restrictions as a result. Such members will also be required to submit certain information in connection with the appointment process.

Process and Deadline for Submitting Nominations

Qualified individuals can self-nominate or be nominated by any individual or organization. Nominators should submit (via e-mail to htac.nominees@ee.doe.gov) a description of the nominee’s qualifications, including matters that would enable the Department to make an informed decision, such as but not limited to the nominee’s education and professional experience. Should more information be needed, DOE staff will contact the nominee, obtain information from the nominee’s past affiliations, or obtain information from publicly available sources, such as the internet.

A selection team will review the nomination packages. This team will be comprised of representatives from several DOE Offices, as well as at least one representative from the Department of Transportation. DOE is seeking a balance of appropriate stakeholder viewpoints to address the broad statutory mandate. (Note that the Committee will address implementation of the Hydrogen Program activities covered in the Act; the Committee will not address whether there should be a