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Dated: April 10, 2006.

Robert Werner,

Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

United States Mint

Proposed Collection: Comment Request for Customer Satisfaction and Opinion Surveys and Focus Group Interviews

AGENCY: United States Mint.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the United States Mint, a bureau of the Department of the Treasury, is soliciting comments on the United States Mint customer satisfaction and opinion surveys and focus group interviews.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 19, 2006 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Yvonne Pollard, Chief, Records Management Division, United States

Mint, 801 9th Street, NW., 8th Floor, Washington, DC 20220; (202) 354-6784 (this is not a toll free number); *YPollard@usmint.treas.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection package should be directed to Brenda Butler, Program Analyst, Records Management Division, United States Mint, 801 9th Street, NW., 8th Floor, Washington, DC 20220; (202) 354-6785 (this is not a toll-free number); *BrButler@usmint.treas.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: United States Mint customer satisfaction and opinion surveys and focus group interviews.

OMB Number: 1525-0012

Abstract: The proposed customer satisfaction and opinion surveys and focus group interviews will allow the United States Mint to assess the needs and desires of customers for future products and more efficient, economical services.

Current Actions: The United States Mint conducts customer satisfaction and opinion surveys and focus group interviews to determine the level of satisfaction of United States Mint customers.

Type of Review: Revision of estimated annual respondents and burden hours.

Affected Public: The affected public includes: the serious and casual numismatic collectors, dealers and people in the numismatic business and the general public or one-time only customers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: The estimated number of respondents for the next three years is 15,756.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: The estimated number of annual burden hours is 3010.

Requests for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or

included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the 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 collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (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; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: April 12, 2006.

Yvonne Pollard,

Chief, Records Management Division, United States Mint.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board; Notice of Meetings

The Department of Veterans Affairs gives notice under the Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the subcommittees of the Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. as indicated below:

Subcommittee for	Date(s)	Location
Mental Hlth & Behav Sciences-B	May 4, 2006	Doubletree Washington
Nephrology	May 8, 2006	Hotel Rouge
Immunology-A	May 9, 2006	Topaz Hotel
Immunology-B	May 12, 2006	Doubletree Washington
Aging and Clinical Geriatrics	May 12, 2006	Hotel Madera
Mental Hlth & Behav Sciences-A	May 15, 2006	Wyndham Hotel
Oncology-A	May 15-16, 2006	Hilton Embassy Row
Infectious Diseases-B	May 17, 2006	Crowne Plaza Silver Spring
Hematology	May 18, 2006	Holiday Inn Central
Endocrinology-B	May 19, 2006	Doubletree Rockville
Cardiovascular Studies-A	May 22, 2006	The Churchill Hotel
Cellular & Molecular Medicine	May 22, 2006	One Washington Circle
Epidemiology	May 23, 2006	St. Gregory Hotel
Cardiovascular Studies-B	May 25, 2006	Doubletree Washington
Neurobiology-A	June 2, 2006	One Washington Circle

Subcommittee for	Date(s)	Location
Oncology-B	June 5–6, 2006	Hilton Embassy Row
Neurobiology-C	June 7–8, 2006	Wyndham Hotel
Gastroenterology	June 8, 2006	Courtyard Rockville
Infectious Diseases-A	June 9, 2006	Marriott Bethesda North
Neurobiology-D	June 12, 2006	Hilton Embassy Row
Surgery	June 12, 2006	Hilton Embassy Row
Respiration	June 12, 2006	Hilton Embassy Row
Endocrinology-A	June 14–15, 2006	Wyndham Hotel
Clinical Research Program	June 16, 2006	The Churchill Hotel
Neurobiology-E	June 16, 2006	Doubletree Washington

The addresses of the hotels are:

Courtyard Rockville, 2500 Research Boulevard, Rockville, MD.
 Crowne Plaza Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD.
 Doubletree Washington, 1515 Rhode Island Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.
 Doubletree Rockville (The Doubletree Hotel & Executive Meeting Center), 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD.
 Hilton Embassy Row, 2015 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.
 Holiday Inn Central, 1501 Rhode Island Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.
 Hotel Madera, 1310 New Hampshire Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.
 Hotel Rouge, 1315—16th Street, NW., Washington, DC.
 Marriott Bethesda North Hotel & Conference Center, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD.
 One Washington Circle Hotel, One Washington Circle, NW., Washington, DC.
 St. Gregory Hotel, 2033 M Street, NW., Washington, DC.
 The Churchill Hotel, 1914 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.
 Topaz Hotel, 1733 N Street, NW., Washington, DC.
 Wyndham Hotel, 1400 M Street, NW., Washington, DC.

The purpose of the Merit Review Board is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review consideration. Proposals submitted for review by the Board involve a wide range of medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinic science research.

The subcommittee meetings will be open to the public for approximately one hour at the start of each meeting to discuss the general status of the program. The remaining portion of each subcommittee meeting will be closed to the public for the review, discussion, and evaluation of initial and renewal projects.

The closed portion of the meetings involves discussion, examination, reference to staff and consultant critiques of research protocols. During this portion of the subcommittee meetings, discussion and recommendations will deal with qualifications of personnel conducting the studies, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, as well as research information, the premature disclosure of which could significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency action regarding such research projects.

As provided by subsection 10(d) of Public Law 92–463, as amended, closing portions of these subcommittee meetings is in accordance with 5 U.S.C., 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B). Those who plan to attend or would like to obtain a copy of minutes of the subcommittee meetings and rosters of the members of the subcommittees should contact LeRoy G. Frey, PhD, Chief, Program Review (121F), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 at (202) 254–0288.

Dated: April 10, 2006.

By Direction of the Secretary.

E. Philip Riggan,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Voluntary Services National Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92–463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the annual meeting of the Department of Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service (VAVS) National Advisory Committee (NAC) will be held on May 3–6, 2006, at the John Ascuga's Nugget, 1100 Nugget Avenue, Sparks,

Nevada. The meeting sessions are scheduled from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. on May 3; from 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on May 4, 5 and 6, with a closing program at 6 p.m. on May 6. The meeting is open to the public.

The Committee advises the Secretary, through the Under Secretary for Health, on the coordination and promotion of volunteer activities within VA health care facilities.

The purposes of this meeting are to provide for Committee review of volunteer policies and procedures; to accommodate full and open communications between the participating organizations, representatives and the VA Voluntary Service Office; to provide educational opportunities for improving volunteer programs, with special emphasis on recruitment, retention and recognition of volunteers; and to approve Committee recommendations. This year marks the 60th anniversary of the creation of the VA Voluntary Service.

The May 3 session will feature award presentations involving the member organizations. Remarks will be presented by several VA and local officials.

The May 4 session will feature remarks by the Under Secretary for Health who will also present an updated Voluntary Service report. The Director of the Voluntary Service Office will officially recognize recipients of the VAVS American Spirit Award, VAVS Award for Excellence, and NAC Volunteers of the Year. After the session, there will be educational workshops entitled Fisher House, Mentoring Youth Volunteers, Recruitment Tips for Baby Boomers, and Family Volunteering.

On May 5, the business session will include subcommittee reports and presentations on the Veterans Canteen Service and National Cemetery Administration. The James H. Parke Memorial Scholarship Luncheon will be held to honor an outstanding youth volunteer. This session will be followed