into by the EPA and T.J.’s Enterprises, Inc. (“the Settling Party”).

In response to the release or threatened release of hazardous substances including lead at or from the Site, EPA undertook response actions at the Site pursuant to Section 104 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9604. In April 1998, response actions were initiated by EPA to address the release of lead to surface and subsurface soils at the Site. Excavation of lead-contaminated soils began in December 1998, resulting in the excavation, on-Site treatment and off-Site disposal of approximately 2,650 tons of lead-contaminated material. The soils were excavated to below 1000 parts per million, a level suitable only for limited uses of the property. EPA’s response action has been completed and all costs incurred.

Pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a), the Settling Party is responsible for response costs incurred at or in connection with the Site. The Regional Administrator of EPA, Region VII, or his designee, has determined that the total past and projected response costs of the United States at or in connection with the Site will not exceed $500,000, excluding interest.

This Agreement requires the Settling Party to pay to the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund the principal sum of $45,000 in reimbursement of Past Response Costs, and will resolve the Settling Party’s alleged civil liability for these costs. The proposed Agreement also includes a covenant not to sue the Settling Party pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a).


John B. Askew,
Regional Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, Region VII.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–8268–7]

Proposed Reissuance of General NPDES Permit (GP) for Alaskan Small Suction Dredging (Permit Number AKG–37–5000)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency, (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed reissuance of a general permit.

SUMMARY: On June 4, 2007, a general permit regulating the activities of small suction dredge mining for gold placer mining operations in the State of Alaska expires. EPA proposes to reissue this general permit with minor changes. EPA is proposing to make this permit effective as the previous general permit expires.

DATES: Interested persons may submit comments on the proposed reissuance of the general permit to EPA, Region 10 at the address below. Comments must be received by March 2, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the proposed General Permit should be sent to Director, Office of Water and Watersheds; USEPA Region 10: 1200 Sixth Avenue, OWW–130; Seattle, Washington 98101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the Fact Sheet and draft General Permit are available upon request. The Fact Sheet and draft General Permit may be found on the Region 10 Web site at http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/waterpermits.htm (click on draft permits, then Alaska).

Requests for copies may be made to Audrey Washington at (206) 553–0523 or to Cindi Godsey at (907) 271–6561 or electronically mailed to: washington.audrey@epa.gov or godsey.cindi@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Executive Order 12866

The Office of Management and Budget has exempted this action from the review requirements of Executive Order 12866 pursuant to Section 6 of that order.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

After review of the facts presented in the notice printed above, I hereby certify pursuant to the provision of 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this reissuance of this general permit will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. Moreover, the permit reduces a significant administrative burden on regulated sources.


Michael F. Gearheard,
Director, Office of Water & Watersheds, Region 10, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) allow the proposed information collection project: “Improving Quality of Care in Long Term Care.” In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by February 15, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: Doris Lefkowitz, Reports Clearance Officer, AHRQ, 540 Gaither Road, Room #5036, Rockville, MD 20850.

Copies of the proposed collection plans, data collection instruments, and specific details on the estimated burden can be obtained from AHRQ’s Reports Clearance Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ, Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427–1477.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Proposed Project

Improving Quality of Care in Long Term Care

The proposed project will design, implement, and evaluate an intervention program to prevent injurious falls in assisted living facilities. The project involves four major activities: (1) Adapting a multifaceted, evidence-based falls prevention program to a protocol tailored to the assisted living environment; (2) implementing the pilot protocol and collecting clinical and process data pre- and post-intervention; (3) evaluating the results of the intervention; and (4) widely disseminating the protocol (revised as needed based on the evaluation), training materials, and research findings.

The project design is a multi-component falls intervention program.