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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: January 24, 2007.

Angela C. Arrington,

IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.

Institute of Education Sciences

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: Private School Universe Survey.

Frequency: Biennially.

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

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 35,520.

Burden Hours: 8,347.

Abstract: The purposes of this data collection are to generate biennial data on the total number of private schools, teachers, and students; and to build an NCES universe frame of private schools to serve as a sampling frame for NCES

surveys that include private schools. This survey is an ongoing project to improve NCES universe and sample data on private schools.

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 3268. 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 ICDocketMgr@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 electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@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

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management 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 March 2, 2007.

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

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Type of Review: New.

Title: The Effectiveness of the Alabama Mathematics, Science and Technology Initiative (AMSTI).

Frequency: Monthly; Annually, Trainer log.

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

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 2,233.

Burden Hours: 746.

Abstract: This study is a group randomized controlled trial by the Regional Educational Laboratory for the Southeast and its subcontractors to test the effectiveness of the Alabama Mathematics, Science and Technology Initiative (AMSTI). This study is needed so that the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE), following the requirements of NCLB, can make decisions about this initiative based on scientific data regarding the program's effectiveness at improving student achievement. The evidence from this experiment will be used by ALSDE and the Alabama legislature as a consideration in deciding about program continuation, expansion, and improvement.

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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Notice

AGENCY: United States Election Assistance Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting (amended).

Date and Time: Thursday, February 8, 2007, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Place: U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave, NW., Suite 150, Washington, DC 20005 (Metro Stop: Metro Center).

Agenda: The Commission will receive an update on the Interim Voting System Laboratory Accreditation Program; The Commission will consider whether to terminate the interim program and will receive an update on the full Voting System Laboratory Accreditation Program; The Commission will receive an update on the EAC audit process and hear presentations from state officials on their experiences with the audit process; The Commission will receive a presentation of the research findings regarding voter identification requirements. The Commission will consider other administrative matters.

This meeting will be open to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566-3100.

Donetta L. Davidson,

Chair, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee under the Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation. This notice announces the meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee.

DATES AND TIMES: February 13, 2007 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., February 14, 2007 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Doubletree Hotel Orlando, At the Entrance to Universal Orlando, 5780 Major Boulevard, Orlando, FL 32819, (407) 351-1000, <http://www.doubletree.com/en/dt/hotels/index.jhtml?ctyhocn=MCOUNTD>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Neil Rossmeissl, Designated Federal Officer for the Committee, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586-8668 or Harriet Foster at (202) 586-4541; E-mail: harriet.foster@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and guidance that promotes research and development leading to the production of biobased fuels and biobased products.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include the following:

- Receive update on USDA—DOE collaboration.
- Receive update on the status of the fiscal year 2007 USDA—DOE joint Biomass R&D solicitation.
- Receive update on DOE activities from the Designated Federal Officer (DFO).
 - Presentation on feedstocks analysis efforts.
 - Possible media event regarding the updated Vision.
 - Provide input on draft updated Roadmap.
 - Discuss Analysis subcommittee business.
 - Discuss Policy subcommittee business, including comments and proposed annual recommendations from the Policy Gap Analysis document.

- Discuss Communications subcommittee business.

- Review progress presentations from Florida and Southeastern-area Biomass R&D projects funded by the USDA—DOE joint solicitation.

- Discuss recommendations for fiscal year 2007.

- Review 2007 Work Plan.

- Discuss Biomass R&D Planning Opportunities.

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Neil Rossmeissl at 202-586-8668 or the Biomass Initiative at 202-586-4541 or harriet.foster@ee.doe.gov (e-mail). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chair of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; Room 1E-190; Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued at Washington, DC on January 24, 2007.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.