DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary
Veterans’ Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Threat Reduction Agency.

ACTION: Advisory Board Meeting Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended) the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announce the following advisory board meeting:

Name of Committee: Veterans’ Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction (VBDR).


Location: Jesse Brown VA Medical Center, Multi Conference Center B and C, Room 2446, 820 S. Damen Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60612.

Time: Wednesday, September 19, 2007, from 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. and 2:30–5:15 p.m. with a public comment session from 1:30–2:30 p.m.; and Thursday, September 20, 2007, from 8:30–11 a.m. and 12:15–12:45 p.m. with a public comment session from 11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Purpose of Meeting: To obtain, review and evaluate information related to the Board mission to provide guidance and oversight of the dose reconstruction and claims compensation programs for veterans of U.S.-sponsored atmospheric nuclear weapons tests from 1945–1962; veterans of the 1945–1946 occupation of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan; and veterans who were prisoners of war in those regions at the conclusion of World War II. In addition, the advisory board will assist the VA and DTRA in communicating with the veterans.

Meeting Agenda: On Wednesday, the meeting will open with an introduction of the Board. The following briefings will be presented: “A Review of Probability of Causation and Its Use in a Compensation Scheme for Nuclear Industry Workers in the United Kingdom” by Dr. Richard Wakeford; “An Atomic Veterans Experience on Nuclear Weapons Tests in 1958” by Mr. John C. Taschner; “Revised Quality Plan for the NTPR Enterprise” by Dr. Richard Toohey; “Status of the Jackson VA Regional Office” by Ms. Carol Sullivan and Ms. Laraine Borden; “A Report from Subcommittee on Alternative Methods for Dose Reconstruction” by Dr. Ronald Blanck; “NTPR Dose Reconstruction and Veterans Communication Activities” by Dr. Paul Blake; and “VA Radiation Claims Compensation Program for Veterans” by Mr. Thomas Pamperin.

On Thursday, the four subcommittees established during the inaugural VBDR session will report on their activities since March 2007. The subcommittees are the “Subcommittee on DTRA Dose Reconstruction Procedures”, the “Subcommittee on VA Claims Adjudication Procedures”, the “Subcommittee on Quality Management and VA Process Integration with DTRA Nuclear Test Personnel Review Program”, and the “Subcommittee on Communication and Outreach.” The Board will close with a discussion of the Subcommittee reports, future business and meeting dates.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space this meeting is open to the public. Seating is limited by the size of the meeting room. All persons must sign in legibly at the registration desk.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140(c), interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Veterans’ Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction. Written statements should be no longer than two typed-written pages and must address: The issue, discussion, and recommended course of action. Supporting documentation may also be included as needed to establish the appropriate historical context and to provide any necessary background information.

Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the Board at 9710 Woodmont Ave., Suite 400, Bethesda, MD 20814–3095. At any point; however, if a written statement is not received at least 10 calendar days prior to the meeting, which is the subject of this notice, then it may not be provided to or considered by the Veterans’ Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction until its next open meeting.

The Chairperson will review all timely submissions with the Designated Federal Officer, and ensure they are provided to members of the Veterans’ Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction members before the meeting that is the subject of this notice. After reviewing the written comments, the Chairperson and the Designated Federal Officer may choose to invite the submitter of the comments to orally present their issue during an open portion of this meeting or at a future meeting.

The Chairperson, in consulting with the Designated Federal Officer, may, if desired, allot a specific amount of time for members of the public to present their issues for review and discussion by the Veterans’ Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction.

Public Comments: The September 19–20, 2007 meeting is open to the public, approximately one hour each day will be reserved for public comments on issues related to the task of the Veterans’ Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction, and speaking time will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is nominally five minutes each. All persons who wish to speak at the meeting must sign in legibly at the registration desk. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Veterans’ Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction Toll Free at 1–866–657–VBDR (6237). Additional information may be found at http://vbdr.org.


C.R Choate, Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

BILING CODE 5001–06–P

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Department of the Navy

[USN–2007–0037]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to amend a system of records.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy is amending a system of records notice in its existing inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.

DATES: This proposed action will be effective without further notice on July 23, 2007 unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Doris Lama at (202) 685–6545.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Navy systems of records notices subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the Federal Register and are available from the address above.

The specific changes to the record system being amended are set forth below followed by the notice, as amended, published in its entirety. The proposed amendments are not within the purview of subsection (r) of the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, which requires the submission of a new or altered system report.

Dated: June 18, 2007.

C.R. Choate, Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

N12711–1

SYSTEM NAME:

CHANGES:
Delete “N12711–1” and replace with “NM12711–1.”

SYSTEM LOCATION:
Delete entry and replace with “Office of Civilian Human Resources (OCHR), Labor and Employee Relations Division (Code 012), Department of the Navy (DON) and Designated Contractors; Human Resources Service Centers (HRSCs) and Human Resources Offices (HROs) at major commands and field activities employing civilians. Official mailing addresses are published in the Standard Navy Distribution List that is available at http://doni.daps.dla.mil/sndl.aspx.”

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:
In line 1 and last line delete “Navy” and replace with “DON”.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:
Delete entry and replace with “Records are comprised of (1) Manual files maintained in paper folders, manually filed by type of case and case number (not individual). Folder contains all information pertaining to a specific case. Field activities maintain manual rosters of local union officials and representatives. OCHR maintains manual roster of addresses and files concerning national consultation with national/international unions regarding changes in Departmental level civilian personnel policies. (2) Some commands and field activities keep electronic records by type of case and case number (not individual) in localized case tracking systems. Bargaining unit files contain information about each bargaining unit, including contact information on union officials.”

SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:
Delete para 1 and replace with “To representatives of the Office of Personnel Management on matters relating to the inspection, survey, audit, or evaluation of DON Civilian Human Resources Programs.”

Delete para 2 and replace with “To the Comptroller General or any of his authorized representatives, in the course of the performance of duties of the Government Accountability Office relating to the DON’s Labor Management Relations Program. To a duly appointed hearing examiner, Administrative Law Judge, arbitrator, or other proper 3rd party for the purpose of conducting a hearing or inquiry in connection with an employee’s grievance, unfair labor practice charge, impasse, negotiability appeal, or other labor relations dispute.”

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEIVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:
Delete entry and replace with “Paper records in file folders and electronic storage media.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:
Delete entry and replace with “All files are accessible only to authorized personnel having a need-to-know. Access to the electronic data base is controlled through the use of security codes.”

SAFEGUARDS:
Delete entry and replace with “All files are maintained in accordance with records retention schedules. Files involved in administrative or judicial litigation may be permanently

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:
“Individuals seeking access to information about themselves contained in this system should address written inquiries to the OCHR Labor and Employee Relations Division (Code 012), 614 Sicard Street, SE., Suite 100, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374–5072, their servicing HRO or HRSC.

Request should contain full name, any particulars, and be signed.”

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:
Delete entry and replace with “DON HRSCs, HROs, arbitrators, and labor organizations (unions).”

NM12711–1

SYSTEM NAME:
Labor Management Relations Records System.

SYSTEM LOCATION:
Office of Civilian Human Resources (OCHR), Labor and Employee Relations Division (Code 012), Department of the Navy (DON) and Designated Contractors; Human Resources Service Centers (HRSCs) and Human Resources Offices (HROs) at major commands and field activities employing civilians. Official mailing addresses are published in the Standard Navy Distribution List that is available at http://doni.daps.dla.mil/sndl.aspx.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:
DON civilian employees paid from appropriated and non-appropriated funds, who are involved in a grievance which has been referred to an arbitrator for resolution, or who are involved in
the filing of an Unfair Labor practice complaint which has been referred to the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) for resolution, or who are involved in a labor negotiations impasse which has been referred to the Federal Service Impasses Panel or an interest arbitrator for resolution, or who are involved in a negotiability dispute which has been referred to the FLRA for resolution; union officials and representatives (both Navy employees and non-employees) involved in the aforementioned processes and in national consultation; independent arbitrators involved in grievance and interest arbitrations concerning Don activities.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Records are comprised of (1) Manual files maintained in paper folders, manually filed by type of case and case number (not individual). Folder contains all information pertaining to a specific case. Field activities maintain manual rosters of local union officials and representatives. OCHR maintains manual roster of addresses and files concerning national consultation with national/international unions regarding changes in Departmental level civilian personnel policies. (2) Some commands and field activities keep electronic records by type of case and case number (not individual) in localized case tracking systems. Bargaining unit files contain information about each bargaining unit, including contact information on union officials.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:


PURPOSE(S):

To manage the Labor-Management Relations Program, e.g., administration/implementation of arbitration awards; processing of unfair labor practice charges; adjudication of negotiability disputes, resolution of negotiations impasses; interpretation of 5 U.S.C. 7101–7135 through 3rd party case decisions; national consultation and other dealings with recognized unions.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act, these records or information contained therein may specifically be disclosed outside the DoD as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

To representatives of the Office of Personnel Management on matters relating to the inspection, survey, audit, or evaluation of DON Civilian Human Resources Programs.

To the Comptroller General or any of his authorized representatives, in the course of the performance of duties of the Government Accountability Office relating to the DON’s Labor Management Relations Program. To a duly appointed hearing examiner, Administrative Law Judge, arbitrator, or other proper 3rd party for the purpose of conducting a hearing or inquiry in connection with an employee’s grievance, unfair labor practice charge, impasse, negotiability appeal, or other labor relations dispute.

The ‘Blanket Routine Uses’ that appear at the beginning of the Navy’s compilation of systems of records apply to this system.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Paper records in file folders and electronic storage media.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Manual records are retrieved by case subject, case number, and/or individual employee names. Electronic records are retrieved by case subject, activity, bargaining unit, servicing personnel office, command, or 3rd party docket number.

SAFEGUARDS:

All files are accessible only to authorized personnel having a need-to-know. Access to the electronic data base is controlled through the use of security codes.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Case files are maintained in accordance with records retention schedules. Files involved in administrative or judicial litigation may be permanently maintained. Union official rosters are normally destroyed after a new roster has been established.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

OCHR Labor and Employee Relations Division (Code 012), 614 Sicard Street, SE., Suite 100, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374–5072.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking to determine whether this system contains information about themselves should address written inquiries to the OCHR Labor and Employee Relations Division (Code 012), 614 Sicard Street, SE., Suite 100, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374–5072, their servicing HRO or HRSC. Request should contain individual’s full name, any particulars, and signed.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking access to information about themselves contained in this system should address written inquiries to the OCHR Labor and Employee Relations Division (Code 012), 614 Sicard Street, SE., Suite 100, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374–5072, their servicing HRO or HRSC. Request should contain full name, any particulars, and signed.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The Navy’s rules for accessing records, and for contesting contents and appealing initial agency determinations are published in Secretary of the Navy Instruction 5211.5; 32 CFR part 701; or may be obtained from the system manager.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

DON Human Resource Services Centers, Human Resources Offices, arbitrators, and labor organizations (unions).

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

[FR Doc. E7–12158 Filed 6–21–07; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 5001–06–P

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Centers for Independent Living Program—Training and Technical Assistance

AGENCY: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of final priorities.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Secretary for the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) announces two priorities under the Centers for Independent Living (CIL) Program—Training and Technical Assistance. The Assistant Secretary may use one or more of these priorities for competitions in fiscal year (FY) 2007 and in later years. We take this action to improve the CIL program efficiency, quality of evaluation methods for CIL program activities, and outcomes for individuals with significant disabilities who receive independent living services from CILs and to improve the performance of Statewide Independent Living Councils (SILCs).

EFFECTIVE DATE: These priorities are effective July 23, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sean Barrett, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 5042, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: