

Emphasis Panel; Operation of a Facility for the Study of Infectious Agents, Vaccines and Antimicrobials in Adult and Pediatric Human Subjects.

Date: July 21, 2008.

Time: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20817 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Lynn Rust, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-402-3938, [lr228v@nih.gov](mailto:lr228v@nih.gov).

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Dated: June 24, 2008.

**Jennifer Spaeth,**

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

[CIS No. 2423-08; DHS Docket No. USCIS 2008-0031]

RIN 1615-ZA60

#### Small Business Non-Retaliation Policy

**AGENCY:** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In support of the initiatives of the National Ombudsman of the U.S. Small Business Administration, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announces adoption of a small business non-retaliation policy. If a small business questions or lodges a complaint regarding a USCIS policy or action or seeks help from others to deal with such a policy or action, USCIS will not retaliate against that small business in any fashion. The full policy is established by this notice.

**DATES:** The Acting Director of USCIS approved the small business non-retaliation policy on June 24, 2008. The policy remains in effect until modified or rescinded by the Acting Director.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments about this policy although USCIS is not officially requesting public comments. To ensure that your comments and related materials are not entered more than once in the docket, please submit

them by only one of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- **Mail:** Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529. To ensure proper handling, please reference DHS Docket No. USCIS-2008-0031 on your correspondence. This mailing address may also be used for paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions.

- **Hand Delivery/Courier:** Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529. Contact Telephone Number (202) 272-8377.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Christine Gooding, Customer Assistance Office, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, 111 Massachusetts Ave., NW., 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20539; Phone: 1-800-357-2099

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Ombudsman of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has asked each Federal agency to adopt a policy that the agency will not retaliate against small businesses that question or complain about the way the agency does business. On June 24, 2008, the Acting Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) approved the following statement of USCIS policy:

If a small business questions or complains about a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services policy or action or seeks help from others to deal with a USCIS policy or action, USCIS will not retaliate against that small business in any way. If a small business thinks that USCIS has not followed this policy, the agency will investigate, take appropriate action, and ensure that mistakes are not repeated. Small businesses may comment, ask questions, or file a complaint about USCIS policies or actions by contacting the USCIS Customer Assistance Office, local USCIS offices, or the Small Business Administration's Office of the National Ombudsman at 1-888-REG-FAIR (734-3247), fax 202-481-5719; e-mail [ombudsman@sba.gov](mailto:ombudsman@sba.gov).

Small businesses generally are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields. If you need help determining whether or not your business qualifies as a "small business," contact the SBA's Office of

the National Ombudsman using the information as noted above.

Dated: June 24, 2008.

**Jonathan R. Scharfen,**

Acting Director, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R6-ES-2008-N0159; 60120-1113-0000-D2]

#### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Permits

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications for permits.

**SUMMARY:** We announce our receipt of applications to conduct certain activities pertaining to enhancement of survival of endangered species.

**DATES:** Written comments on this request for a permit must be received by July 31, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Written data or comments should be submitted to the Assistant Regional Director, Fisheries—Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225-0486; facsimile 303-236-0027. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time.

While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act [5 U.S.C. 552A] and Freedom of Information Act [5 U.S.C. 552], by any party who submits a request for a copy of such documents within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to Kris Olsen, by mail or by telephone at 303-236-4256. All comments received from individuals become part of the official public record.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following applicants have requested issuance of enhancement of survival permits to conduct certain activities