Panel (Panel) to conduct a peer review of the EPA’s Risk and Exposure Assessment to Support the Review of the NOx Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard: Second Draft.

DATES: The meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. (Eastern Time) on Tuesday, September 9, 2008 through 2 p.m. (Eastern Time) on Wednesday, September 10, 2008.

ADDITIONS: The September 9–10, 2008 meeting will take place at the Marriott at Research Triangle Park, 4700 Guardian Drive, Durham, NC 27703, telephone (919) 941–6200.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public who wishes to submit a written or brief oral statement (five minutes or less) or wants further information concerning this meeting must contact Dr. Angela Nugent, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), EPA Science Advisory Board (1400F), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; via telephone/voice mail (202) 343–9981; fax (202) 233–0643; or e-mail at nugent.angela@epa.gov. General information concerning the CASAC and the CASAC documents cited below can be found on the EPA Web site at http://www.epa.gov/casac.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) was established under section 109(d)(2) of the Clean Air Act (CAA or Act) (42 U.S.C. 7409) as an independent scientific advisory committee. CASAC provides advice, information and recommendations on the scientific and technical aspects of air quality criteria and national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) under sections 108 and 109 of the Act. The CASAC is a Federal advisory committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. The Panel will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. Section 109(d)(1) of the CAA requires that the Agency periodically review and revise, as appropriate, the air quality criteria and the NAAQS for the six “criteria” air pollutants, including oxides of nitrogen (NOx). EPA is in the process of reviewing the primary NAAQS for nitrogen dioxide (NO2) as an indicator for NOx. Primary standards set limits to protect public health, including the health of “sensitive” populations such as asthmatics, children, and the elderly.

CASAC previously provided consultative advice on EPA’s Integrated Review Plan for the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Nitrogen Dioxide (August 2007) and conducted peer review of the first and second drafts of EPA’s Integrated Science Assessment for Oxides of Nitrogen—Health Criteria. CASAC also provided consultative advice on EPA’s Nitrogen Dioxide Health Assessment Plan: Scope and Methods for Exposure and Risk Assessment and conducted peer review of EPA’s Risk and Exposure Assessment to Support the Review of the NO2 Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard: First Draft. The CASAC advisory reports are available on the EPA Web site at http://www.epa.gov/casac.

The purpose of this meeting is for CASAC to conduct a peer review of the Risk and Exposure Assessment to Support the Review of the NO2 Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard: Second Draft.

Technical Contact: Any questions concerning EPA’s Risk and Exposure Assessment to Support the Review of the NO2 Primary Ambient Air Quality Standard: Second Draft should be directed to Dr. Scott Jenkins, OAR (by telephone (919) 541–1167, or e-mail jenkins.scott@epa.gov)

Availability of Meeting Materials: EPA—OAR’s Risk and Exposure Assessment to Support the Review of the NO2 Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard: Second Draft will be accessible via the Agency’s Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards Web site at http://www.epa.gov/tnn/naaqs/standards/nox/nox_cr_rea.html on or about August 12, 2008. Agendas and materials supporting the meeting will be placed on the EPA Web site at http://www.epa.gov/casac before the meeting.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the CASAC Panel to consider during the advisory process. Oral Statements: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to five minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of one hour for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Dr. Angela Nugent, DFO, in writing (preferably via e-mail) by September 2, 2008 at the contact information noted above to be placed on the public speaker list for this meeting.

Written Statements: Written statements for the public meeting should be received by Dr. Angela Nugent at the contact information above by September 2, 2008, so that the information may be made available to the Panel for their consideration prior to this meeting. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature (optional), and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM–PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

Accessibility: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Dr. Nugent at the phone number or e-mail address noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.


Anthony F. Maciorowski, Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Notice of Submission for OMB Review; Final Comment Request


SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission hereby gives notice that it is submitting the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget for a three-year authorization.

DATES: Written comments on this final notice must be submitted on or before August 25, 2008.

ADDRESSES: The Request for Clearance (SF 83–I) and supporting statement submitted to OMB for review may be obtained from: Carol R. Miaskoff, Assistant Legal Counsel, Office of Legal Counsel, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 1801 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20507. Comments on this final notice must be submitted to Chandana Achanta, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, or electronically mailed to: Chandana.L.Achanta@omb.eop.gov.

Copies of comments should be submitted to the EEOC using one of the following methods:

• By mail to Stephen Llewellyn, Executive Officer, Executive Secretariat, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 10th floor, 1801 “L” Street, NW., Washington, DC 20507; or by facsimile (“FAX”) machine to (202) 663–4114. (This is not a toll free number.) Only comments of six or fewer pages will be accepted via FAX transmission, in order to assure access to the equipment. Receipt of FAX transmissions will not be acknowledged, except that the sender may request confirmation of receipt by calling the Executive Secretariat staff at (202) 663–4070 (voice) or (202) 663–4074 (TTD). (These are not toll free numbers).

All comments received by the EEOC will be posted without change to the Federal rulemaking portal, http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.

Copies of the comments also will be available for inspection in the EEOC Library, FOIA Reading Room, by advance appointment only, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, from August 25, 2008 until it is finalized. To schedule an appointment to inspect the comments at the EEOC Library, FOIA Reading Room, contact the EEOC Library by calling (202) 663–4630 (voice) or (202) 663–4641 (TTY). (These are not toll free numbers). Persons who schedule an appointment in the EEOC Library, FOIA Reading Room, and need assistance to view the comments, will be provided with appropriate aids upon request, such as readers or print magnifiers.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Carol R. Miaskoff, Assistant Legal Counsel, 1801 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20507; (202) 663–4638 (voice) or (202) 663–7026 (TTY). This notice is also available in the following formats: large print, Braille, audio tape and electronic file, or computer disk. Requests for this notice in an alternative format should be made to the Publications Center at 1–800–669–3362.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A notice that the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC or Commission) would be submitting the Uniform Guidelines on Employee Selection Procedures (UGESP or Uniform Guidelines) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), for a three-year approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), was published in the Federal Register on March 25, 2008, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. 73 FR 15754 (Mar. 25, 2008). At that time, the EEOC announced that it would submit the Uniform Guidelines without change from its original form as adopted in 1978, and without change in the original interpretive Qs & As adopted in 1979 and 1980. The Uniform Guidelines continue to provide fundamental and consistent federal guidance for all Title VII-covered employers about the use of employment selection procedures.

Nine parties submitted written comments in response to the March 2008 notice: five federal agencies (including two sister UGESP agencies concurring with the proposal) and four other parties, including representatives of federal contractors and businesses generally, a civil rights organization, and an economic consultant. Three parties focused their comments on responding to the PRA’s mandatory questions about data utility and burden. Of these parties, two agreed that the UGESP recordkeeping requirements were necessary and useful for the EEOC’s performance of its enforcement responsibilities and also accepted the EEOC’s burden estimate. One commenter found the data collection was unnecessary burdensome, and disagreed with the EEOC’s burden estimate. The EEOC’s burden calculation is based on contemporary, publicly-available data. It reflects the ongoing burden of collecting and storing demographic data for job applicants. Because UGESP remains unchanged, the burden estimate does not reflect the cost of new information systems or software. Five commenters agreed with the EEOC’s decision to submit UGESP for PRA authorization without change, including the Department of Labor and the Office of Personnel Management, sister UGESP agencies. The reasons include preserving consistency in regulation, preserving a necessary tool, and not disturbing the now-standard business practice of collecting demographic data from applicants. As an enforcement agency, the EEOC believes that UGESP is a necessary recordkeeping tool, which also provides fundamental and consistent federal guidance for all Title VII-covered employers about the use of employment selection procedures.

Most commenters supported the decision not to finalize the UGESP agencies’ proposed March 2004 subregulatory Qs and As. These proposed Qs and As defined electronic applicant for purposes of implementing the Uniform Guidelines. 69 FR 10152 (Mar. 4, 2004). Several parties cited the 2005 internet applicant regulation issued by Department of Labor’s (DOL) OFCCP, the agency responsible for enforcement of Executive Order 11246, and two parties urged the Commission to consider alternative guidance after further study of the issues. Another party stated that UGESP and its existing Qs and As, without change, were sufficient. DOL’s OFCCP concurred in the decision not to finalize the proposed Qs and As, and to submit UGESP without change to OMB. Maintaining UGESP in its current form is the appropriate course at this time.

Overview of This Information Collection


OMB Number: 3046–0017.

Form Number: None.

Frequency of Report: None.

Type of Respondent: Businesses or other institutions; federal government; state or local governments and farms.


Standard Industrial Classification Code (SIC): Multiple.

Description of Affected Public: Any employer, government contractor, labor organization, or employment agency covered by the federal equal employment opportunity laws.

Respondents: 846,156.

Responses: 846,156.

Cost to Respondents: $182,164,775.20.

Recordkeeping Hours: 14,822,194.89.

Number of Forms: None.

Federal Cost: 0.

Abstract: The records addressed by UGESP are used by respondents to assure that they are complying with Title VII and Executive Order 11246; by the Federal agencies that enforce Title VII and/or Executive Order 11246 to investigate, conciliate and litigate charges of employment discrimination; and by complainants to establish violations of Federal equal employment opportunity laws.

Burden Statement: There are no reporting requirements associated with UGESP. The burden being estimated is the cost of collecting and storing a job applicant’s gender, race and ethnicity data. The only paperwork burden derives from this recordkeeping.

Only employers covered by Title VII and Executive Order 11246 are subject to UGESP. For the purpose of burden calculation, employers with 15 or more employees are counted. The number of such employers is estimated at 846,156, which combines estimates from private employment, the public sector, colleges and universities, and referral unions. This burden assessment is based on an estimate of the total number of job applications submitted to all Title VII-
covered employers in one year, including both paper-based and electronic applications. The total number of job applications submitted every year to covered employers is estimated to be 1,778,663,387, which is based on a National Organizations Survey average of 35.225 applications for every hire and a Bureau of Labor Statistics data estimate of 50,490,000 annual hires. It also includes 153,137 applicants for union membership reported on the EEO-3 form for 2006.

The employer burden associated with collecting and storing applicant demographic data is based on the following assumptions: applicants would need to be asked to provide three pieces of information—sex, race/ethnicity, and an identification number (a total of approximately 13 keystrokes); the employer would need to transfer information received to a data base either manually or electronically; and the employer would need to store the 13 characters of information for each applicant. Recordkeeping costs and burden are assumed to be the cost of entering 13 keystrokes.

Assuming that the required recordkeeping takes 30 seconds per record, and assuming a total of 1,778,663,387 paper and electronic applications per year, the resulting UCESP burden hours would be 14,822,194.89. Based on a wage rate of $12.29 per hour for the individuals entering the data, the collection and storage of applicant demographic data would come to approximately $182,164,775.20 per year for Title VII-covered employers.

Dated: July 17, 2008.

For the Commission.

Naomi C. Earp, Chair.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nicholas A. Fraser, Office of Management and Budget, (202) 395–5887, or via fax at 202–395–5167 or via Internet at Nicholas.A.Fraser@omb.eop.gov and to Judith-B. Herman@fcc.gov, Federal Communications Commission, or an e-mail to PRA@fcc.gov. To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) Go to the Web page http://reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. (2) Look for the section of the Web page called “Currently Under Review”; (3) Click on the downward-pointing arrow in the “Select Agency” box below the “Currently Under Review” heading, (4) Select “Federal Communications Commission” from the list of agencies presented in the “Select Agency” box, (5) Click the “Submit” button to the right of the “Select Agency” box, and (6) When the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the title of this ICR (or its OMB Control Number, if there is one) and then click on the ICR Reference Number to view detailed information about this ICR.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Submitted for Review to the Office of Management and Budget


SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission’s burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before August 25, 2008. If you anticipate that you will be submitting PRA comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the FCC contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, Office of Management and Budget, (202) 395–5887, or via fax at 202–395–5167 or via Internet at Nicholas.A.Fraser@omb.eop.gov and to Judith-B. Herman@fcc.gov, Federal Communications Commission, or an e-mail to PRA@fcc.gov.

Needs and Uses: The Commission will submit this information collection (IC) to the OMB as a revision during this comment period to obtain the full three-year clearance from them. The FCC adopted and released a Fourth Memorandum Opinion and Order (2008 Order) in FCC 08–83, which proposes to extend and modify existing reporting and third party disclosure requirements such that licensees will, pursuant to Section 27.1221(f) of the Commission’s rules, be required to provide the geographic coordinates, the height above ground level of the center of radiation for each transmit and receive antenna, and the date transmissions commenced for each of the base stations in its Geographic Service Area (GSA) within 30 days of receipt of a request from a co-channel, neighboring Broadband Radio Service/Educational Broadband Service (BRS/EBS) licensee. This information will be used to prevent harmful interference to licensees’ BRS/EBS operations. Since BRS/EBS licensees will be providing this technical information to a third party, the information will not be used by the Commission unless submitted by the parties pursuant to an interference complaint. This additional requirement will add an additional .50 hours per licensee for reporting and recordkeeping requirements with an average of up to 250 responses to the current information collection burden for wireless service providers. Finally, the Commission is removing the requirement for the MVPD Opt Out (Waiver Request) provision that was approved by OMB the last time this