

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Human Genome Research Institute Special Emphasis Panel, Sequencing Technology.

Date: March 18, 2009.

Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Washington Plaza Hotel, 10 Thomas Circle, NW., State Suite, Washington, DC 20005.

Contact Person: Ken D. Nakamura, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health, 5635 Fishers Lane, Suite 4076, MSC 9306, Rockville, MD 20852, 301-402-0838, nakamurk@mail.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.172, Human Genome Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: February 4, 2009.

Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2008-0017]

Voluntary Private Sector Accreditation and Certification Preparedness Program

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Public meeting notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the date, time, location, and discussion topics for a stakeholder meeting open to the public to engage in dialogue with Department of Homeland Security (DHS) leadership and program managers regarding the Voluntary Private Sector Preparedness Accreditation and Certification Program (PS-Prep).

DATES: *Public Meeting:* Monday, February 23, 2009, 9 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the American Red Cross Ballroom, Hall

of Service, 1730 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006. Enter at the E Street entrance. This is not located at the Red Cross Headquarters. The nearest Metro stations are Farragut West (exit at 17th and I Street, walk south towards H Street for four blocks and turn right at E Street) and Farragut North (exit at Connecticut Avenue and K Street, walk south towards I Street for five blocks and turn right at E Street).

You may submit comments, identified by Docket ID FEMA-2008-0017, by one of the following methods:

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

(All government requests for comments—even if, as in this case, they are not for regulatory purposes—are sent to this portal.)

E-mail: FEMA-POLICY@dhs.gov.

Include Docket ID FEMA-2008-0017 in the subject line of the message.

Fax: 703-483-2999.

Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Room 845, Washington, DC 20472.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number (if available). Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice that is available on the Privacy and Use Notice link on the Administration Navigation Bar of <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submitted comments may also be inspected at FEMA, Office of Chief Counsel, 500 C Street, SW., Room 840, Washington, DC 20472.

Instructions: Any stakeholder or member of the public who wishes to attend the public meeting or make a presentation is requested to provide his or her name and contact details to include e-mail address and telephone number, no later than 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Tuesday, February 17, 2009 via e-mail to the PS-Prep Program at privatesectorpreparedness@hhs.gov, or via telephone at (703) 416-8407. Everyone who plans to attend the meeting is respectfully requested to be present and seated by 8:45 a.m. Persons with disabilities who require special assistance should indicate this in their

admittance request and are encouraged to identify anticipated special needs as early as possible. Although every effort will be made to accommodate all members of the public, seating is limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Donald Grant, Incident Management Systems Integration Division, National Preparedness Directorate, National Integration Center, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472. Phone: 202-646-3850 or e-mail: FEMA-NIMS@dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 24, 2008, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), published a **Federal Register** notice “Voluntary Private Sector Accreditation and Certification Preparedness Program,” announcing PS-Prep, a DHS program established under the authority of Title IX of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, Public Law 110-53, 121 Stat. 266, 338 (Aug. 3, 2007). See 73 FR 79140; also available at <http://www.regulations.gov/search/index.jsp> (Docket ID FEMA-2008-0017). As discussed in the notice, DHS is developing PS-Prep to raise the level of private sector preparedness through a number of means, including: (i) Establishing a system for DHS to adopt private sector preparedness standards; (ii) encouraging creation of those standards; (iii) developing a method for a private sector entity to obtain a certification of conformity with a particular DHS-adopted private sector standard, and encouraging such certification; and (iv) making preparedness standards adopted by DHS more widely available.

The December 24, 2008 **Federal Register** notice (Docket ID FEMA-2008-0017) seeks recommendations from private sector stakeholders and the public at large regarding the private sector standards that DHS should adopt, both initially and over time (73 FR at 79142). The December 24, 2008 **Federal Register** notice also states that DHS intends to hold two public meetings in Washington, DC to provide a forum for public comment (See 73 FR 79145).

This notice announces the second stakeholder outreach meeting. FEMA is hosting this public meeting to discuss issues of interest pertaining to PS-Prep. The purpose of this meeting is to provide an open forum for additional comment and dialogue with DHS on PS-Prep. Individuals desiring to participate will have the opportunity to make a brief, formal or informal, presentation of

not more than 10 minutes and then, if desired, engage in a questions and answers session with DHS staff responsible for implementing PS-Prep. The specific issues to be discussed at this meeting include any of the material addressed in the December 24, 2008 **Federal Register** notice to include (i) cost considerations, such as fees for standards, certification, and preparedness costs related to size of business enterprise; (ii) the impact of existing practices, standards and regulations on participation in PS-Prep; (iii) understanding the spectrum of private sector preparedness, specifically from self-declaration of conformance to third-party certification; (iv) the role of the Federal Government in private sector preparedness; (v) key factors that influence participation in PS-Prep; (vi) the number and type of standards to be adopted by DHS; (vii) scalability of the certification, specifically related to location, products, services, and organizational components; (viii) priorities for national preparedness compared to business preparedness; and (ix) suggestion for effective outreach strategies and tactics to promote PS-Prep.

Public attendance is encouraged.

Dated: February 3, 2009.

David Garratt,

Acting Deputy Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Form N-300, Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Form N-300, Application To File Declaration of Intention; OMB Control No. 1615-0078.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until April 13, 2009.

Written comments and suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this

notice, and especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Management Division, Clearance Office, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529-2210. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352, or via email at rfs.regs@dhs.gov. When submitting comments by email please add the OMB Control Number 1615-0078 in the subject box.

During this 60-day period USCIS will be evaluating whether to revise the Form N-300. Should USCIS decide to revise the Form N-300 it will advise the public when it publishes the 30-day notice in the **Federal Register** in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The public will then have 30-days to comment on any revisions to the Form N-300.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Application to File Declaration of Intention.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:* Form N-300. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or

Households. This form will be used by permanent residents to file a declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States. This collection is also used to satisfy documentary requirements for those seeking to work in certain occupations or professions, or to obtain various licenses.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 433 responses at 45 minutes (.75) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 325 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit the USCIS Wweb site at: <http://www.regulations.gov/>.

We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529-2210, Telephone number 202-272-8377.

Dated: February 4, 2009.

Stephen Tarragon,

Deputy Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

ACTION: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: National Interest Waivers; Supplemental Evidence to I-140 and I-485; OMB Control No. 1615-0063.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until April 13, 2009.

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this notice, and especially with regard to the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Chief, Regulatory