

and local agencies, organizations, and individuals.

DATES: NSF will issue a record of decision (ROD) for the proposed marine geophysical scientific research using seismic surveys that are funded by NSF or conducted by the USGS following consideration of the entire administrative record for the proposed action, including the Final PEIS. The ROD will be issued in Fall 2011, or at least 30 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Availability of the Final PEIS. The Final PEIS is available on NSF's Web site at: <http://www.nsf.gov/geo/oce/envcomp/index.jsp>. Electronic copies of the Final PEIS are also available upon request from: Holly Smith, National Science Foundation, Division of Ocean Sciences, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Suite 725, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292-8583. E-mail: nepacomments@nsf.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the Final PEIS contact: Holly Smith, National Science Foundation, Division of Ocean Sciences, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Suite 725, Arlington, VA 22230; telephone: (703) 292-8583; e-mail: nepacomments@nsf.gov.

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OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

Subcommittee on Forensic Science; Committee on Science; National Science and Technology Council

ACTION: Notice of Panel Session. Public input is requested concerning Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) interoperability and the appropriate Federal Executive Branch responses to the AFIS interoperability issues identified in the National Academy of Sciences 2009 report: "Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States: A Path Forward" (http://www.nap.edu/catalog.php?record_id=12589#toc).

SUMMARY: The Subcommittee on Forensic Science (SoFS) of the National Science and Technology Council's (NSTC's) Committee on Science will host a public forum in collaboration with the International Association for Identification (IAI) 96th International

Educational Conference. The role of the SoFS is to coordinate Federal activities and advise the Executive Office of the President on national efforts to improve forensic science and its application in America's justice system. This special session will serve to provide the public with the opportunity to ask questions and provide comments on issues related to Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) latent print interoperability.

DATES AND ADDRESSES: The session will be held in conjunction with the IAI 96th International Educational Conference, held at the Frontier Airlines Center, 400 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203. The session will be held on Friday, August 12, 2011, from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Check the meeting registration desk for room location. Information regarding the IAI Annual Conference is available at <http://theiai.org/conference/2011/index.php>.

Note: Persons solely attending this SoFS public session do not need to register for the IAI 96th International Educational Conference to attend. There will be no admission charge for persons solely attending the public meeting. Seating will be on a first come, first served basis. For those who cannot attend but wish to provide written comments or questions, please do so by sending an email to the Subcommittee's Executive Secretary, Robin Jones, at: Robin.W.Jones@usdoj.gov, no later than Friday, July 29, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Additional information and links to the Subcommittee on Forensic Science can be obtained through the Office of Science and Technology Policy's NSTC Web site at: <http://www.ostp.gov/nstc> or by calling 202-456-6012.

Kenneth E. Melson,
Co-Chair, Subcommittee on Forensic Science.
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549-0213.

Extension:

Rule 15c2-5; SEC File No. 270-195;
OMB Control No. 3235-0198.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission

("Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") a request for approval of an extension of the previously approved collection of information provided for in Rule 15c2-5 (17 CFR 240.15c2-5), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78 *et seq.*) ("Exchange Act").

Rule 15c2-5 prohibits a broker-dealer from arranging or extending certain loans to persons in connection with the offer or sale of securities unless, before any element of the transaction is entered into, the broker-dealer: (1) Delivers to the person a written statement containing the exact nature and extent of the person's obligations under the loan arrangement; the risks and disadvantages of the loan arrangement; and all commissions, discounts, and other remuneration received and to be received in connection with the transaction by the broker-dealer or certain related persons (unless the person receives certain materials from the lender or broker-dealer which contain the required information); and (2) obtains from the person information on the person's financial situation and needs, reasonably determines that the transaction is suitable for the person, and retains on file and makes available to the person on request a written statement setting forth the broker-dealer's basis for determining that the transaction was suitable. The collection of information required by Rule 15c2-5 is necessary to execute the Commission's mandate under the Exchange Act to prevent fraudulent, manipulative, and deceptive acts and practices by broker-dealers.

The Commission estimates that there are approximately 50 respondents that require an aggregate total of 600 hours to comply with Rule 15c2-5. Each of these approximately 50 registered broker-dealers makes an estimated six annual responses, for an aggregate total of 300 responses per year. Each response takes approximately two hours to complete. Thus, the total compliance burden per year is 600 burden hours. The approximate cost per hour is \$50.00 for clerical labor, resulting in a total compliance cost of \$30,000 (600 hours @ \$50.00 per hour). These reflect internal labor costs; there are no external labor, capital, or start-up costs.

Although Rule 15c2-5 does not specify a retention period or record-keeping requirement under the rule, broker-dealers are required to preserve the records for a period no less than six years pursuant to Rule 17a-4(c). The information required under Rule 15c2-5 is necessary for broker-dealers to engage in the lending activities