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Acting Administrator, Economic Research Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of a Public Meeting of the Wyoming Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) that a planning meeting of the Wyoming Advisory Committee to the Commission (Committee) will convene by conference call at 10 a.m. (MDT) on Monday, December 19, 2011. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss next steps after project selection.

This meeting is available to the public through the following toll-free call-in number: (800) 516-9896, conference ID: 8334. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by dialing 711 for relay services and 1-(800) 516-9896, followed by Conference ID: 8334.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office by January 19, 2012. Comments may be mailed to the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 999 - 18th Street, Suite 1380 South, Denver, CO 80202, faxed to (303) 866-1050, or emailed to ebohor@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office by email at ebohor@usccr.gov or by phone at (303) 866-1040.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Persons interested in the work of the Committee are directed to the Commission's Web site, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office at the above email or street address.

To ensure that the Commission secures an appropriate number of telephone lines for the public, persons

are asked to contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office 10 days before the meeting date either by email at ebohor@usccr.gov, or by phone at (303) 866-1040.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Commission and FACA.

Dated in Washington, DC, November 28, 2011.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau.

Title: 2012 Survey of Income and Program Participation Computer Audio Recorded Interviewing Field Test.

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number(s): SIPP-CARI 2012 DR 105(L)—Director's Letter English; SIPP-CARI 2012 DR 105(L)(SP) 2012—Director's Letter Spanish; SIPP-EHC 4006A Brochure "SIPP You Represent Your Nation;" SIPP/CARI Automated Instrument.

Type of Request: New collection.

Burden Hours: 1,890.

Number of Respondents: 1,890.

Average Hours per Response: 1 hour.

Needs and Uses: The U.S. Census Bureau requests authorization from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to conduct a Computer Audio Recorded Interviewing (CARI) technology field test using the 2012 Survey of Income and Program Participation Event History Calendar (SIPP-EHC) Field Test questionnaire.

Computer Audio Recorded Interviewing is a data collection method that captures audio along with response data during computer-assisted personal and telephone interviews (CAPI & CATI). A portion of each interview is recorded unobtrusively, with the respondent's consent, and the sound file is returned with the response data to a central location. By reviewing the recorded portions of the interview, quality assurance (QA) analysts can evaluate the likelihood that the exchange between the field representative (FR) and respondent is

authentic and follows critical survey protocol as defined by the sponsor and based on best practices.

The Census Bureau will conduct the SIPP CARI test using the 2012 SIPP-EHC automated instrument and computer-assisted personal interviewing (CAPI) in 6 of the 12 Regional Offices. The SIPP CARI questionnaire will have the recording capability in use during the interview. The only content change to the instrument is the addition of a consent question which will record the respondent's permission to audio record responses. Additionally, approximately 25 specific questions are programmed for recording for each person's interview.

This is the second CARI field test conducted by the Census Bureau. The first CARI field test was used to conduct behavior coding for the 2010 American Community Survey Content Test in late 2010. The Census Bureau is conducting this test to determine if the deployment of CARI will have any significant impact on response rates and item level responses. Previous tests for CARI have proven the capability of the technology. Other tests have also been conducted on non-voluntary surveys and proved promising. However, it is important for the Census Bureau to obtain information on the impact of this technology on data quality indicators for voluntary demographic surveys. If the test proves successful, this technology would be a major asset for all programs using computer assisted personal and telephone modes of data collection to assist in meeting quality objectives.

The 2012 SIPP CARI test will be conducted between May and June 2012. We will implement the CARI technology on a portion of the 2012 SIPP-EHC data collection instrument. This test will be conducted on a separate sample than that of the 2012 SIPP-EHC field test.

In addition to the actual recording capability, the CARI Interactive Data Access System has been developed as a monitoring system that allows for the analysis of audio and image files to be conducted immediately after completion and transmission of the interview. The system is an innovative, integrated, multifaceted monitoring system that features a configurable web-based interface for behavior-coding, quality assurance and coaching. The system assists in coding interviews for measuring question and interviewer performance and the interaction between interviewers and respondents.

The 2012 SIPP CARI field test instrument will be evaluated in several domains including field implementation issues and data quality vis-à-vis the SIPP 2011 and 2012 field test results.