DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA–2007–0008]

National Advisory Council

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Committee Management; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Advisory Council will meet on October 18, 2012, in Arlington, VA. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The National Advisory Council will meet Thursday, October 18, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EDT. Please note that the meeting may close early if the committee has completed its business.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Key Bridge Marriott at 1401 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22201. For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact the Office of the National Advisory Council as soon as possible. See contact information under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section below.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92–463). The National Advisory Council (NAC) advises the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on all aspects of emergency management. The NAC incorporates State, local, and Tribal governments, and private sector partners’ input in the development and revision of FEMA policies and strategies. FEMA’s Office of the NAC serves as the focal point for all NAC coordination.

Agenda: The NAC will meet for the purpose of reviewing the progress and/or potential recommendations of its four subcommittees: Preparedness and Protection, Response and Recovery, Public Engagement and Mission Support, and Federal Insurance and Mitigation. New members will be sworn in at the beginning of the meeting, and the Administrator and Deputy Administrator will discuss the general state of FEMA with the members.

The NAC will discuss the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Reform Bill; FEMA’s Private Sector Office initiative, the National Business Emergency Operation Center (NBEOC); youth preparedness and engagement; Mid-Level Career Program at the Emergency Management Institute (EMI); the Strategic Foresight Initiative (SFI); the use of special international teams in response; and the FEMA Qualification System (FQS). A FEMA
In 1968, Congress created the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to help provide a way for property owners to financially protect themselves by offering flood insurance if their community participates in the NFIP. Participating communities adopt and enforce ordinances that meet or exceed FEMA requirements to reduce the risk of flooding. FEMA announced the extension of the Preferred Risk Policy eligibility under the NFIP until further notice, as the Agency completes a study and analysis of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012, signed into law by President Obama on July 6, 2012. More information can be found at http://www.floodsmart.gov/floodsmart/pages/about/nfip_overview.jsp.

FEMA announced the first ever NBEOC under Emergency Support Function (ESF)-15 in the National Response Coordination Center. This NBEOC is envisioned as a groundbreaking new virtual organization that serves as FEMA’s clearinghouse for two-way information sharing between public and private sector stakeholders in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from disasters. More information can be found at http://www.fema.gov/private-sector-1.

Youth preparedness is a priority at the Federal level. Since fall 2010, FEMA, the U.S. Department of Education and the American Red Cross have been collaborating to empower youth to build a more resilient nation through youth preparedness education. More information on Youth Preparedness Program can be found at http://www.citizencorps.gov/ready/kids.shtm.

EMI is the emergency management community’s training institution, and provides training to Federal, State, local, Tribal, volunteer, public, and private sector officials to strengthen emergency management core competencies for professional, career-long training. More information on EMI can be found at http://training.fema.gov/EMI/.

SFI promotes broader and longer term thinking, how the world is changing and the effects on the emergency management community. Thinking more broadly and over a longer timeframe will help us understand these changes and their potential impacts. More information on SFI can be found at http://www.fema.gov/about/programs/opppa/strategic_forecasting_initiative.shtm.

In the event that U.S.-based responders are overwhelmed there are constraints on the entry and use of foreign responders due to concerns about liability and licensure issues. There are potential shortfalls in Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) capabilities needed to respond to catastrophic disasters and emphasizing the need to streamline how nations might share this important asset following a catastrophic disaster. More information can be found at http://usaid.gov/.

The primary purpose of the FEMA Qualifications System (FQS) is to provide the best possible customer service to survivors and communities working to respond to, recover from, and mitigate against disasters. FQS helps build FEMA’s disaster response and recovery capability by providing personnel with the training and experience needed to assume positions of progressively greater responsibility. More information on FQS can be found at http://www.fema.gov/fema-qualification-system-0.


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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Sponsor’s Notice of Change of Address, Form Number I–865; Extension, Without Change, of a Currently Approved Collection

ACTION: 30-Day Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection notice was previously published in the Federal Register on July 24, 2012, at 77 FR 43345, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. USCIS did not receive any comments in connection with the 60-day notice.

DATES: The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until November 2, 2012. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to DHS, and to the OMB USCIS Desk Officer. Comments may be submitted to: DHS, USCIS, Office of Policy and Strategy, Chief, Regulatory Coordination Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20529–2020. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via email at uscisfrcomment@dhs.gov, to the OMB USCIS Desk Officer via facsimile at 202–395–5806 or via email at oira_submission@omb.eop.gov and via the Federal eRulemaking Portal Web site at http://www.Regulations.gov under e-Docket ID number USCIS–2007–0007. When submitting comments by email, please make sure to add [Insert OMB Control Number 1615–0076] in the subject box.

All submissions received must include the agency name, OMB Control Number and Docket ID. 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 consider limiting the amount of personal information that you provide in any voluntary submission you make to DHS. For additional information please read the Privacy Act notice that is available via the link in the footer of http://www.regulations.gov.

Note: The address listed in this notice should only be used to submit comments concerning this information collection. Please do not submit requests for individual case status inquiries to this address. If you are seeking information about the status of your individual case, please check “My Case Status” online at: https://egov.uscis.gov/cris/Dashboard.do, or call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1–800–375–5283.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies 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;