problems rather than merely reacting to problems after they occur. FDA recognizes that it cannot do this alone. By leveraging with other WTO member countries and partnering with the STDF, FDA can broaden the reach of food safety capacity building efforts.

This cooperative agreement will allow FDA to deepen its international food safety capacity building partnerships, provide a wider scope of impact than exists currently and leverage resources with other countries.

B. Research Objectives

The purpose of this cooperative agreement is to:

1. Contribute to the knowledge base and development of food safety systems globally due to the increasingly diverse and complex food supply;
2. Enhance and broaden FDA’s ability to address global food safety and public health issues associated with food;
3. Provide opportunities to leverage additional resources among WTO member countries;
4. Support FDA’s Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) and its International Food Safety Capacity Building Plan, which emphasizes the concept of preventing food safety-related problems before they occur and the importance of establishing strong relationships and mutual support among all stakeholders, including multilateral organizations, to improve worldwide food safety.

C. Eligibility Information

Competition is limited to the STDF hosted by the WTO. The STDF is a global partnership with a well-established, trusted presence and is uniquely qualified to further the global food safety capacity building objectives of this cooperative agreement. STDF’s mandate is to: (1) Increase awareness, mobilize resources, strengthen collaboration, identify and disseminate good practice; and (2) provide support and funding for the development and implementation of projects that promote compliance with international SPS requirements.

An independent external evaluation of the STDF in 2008 concluded that the STDF “carries out an important role that no other single body would be able to accomplish.” (Source: STDF Newsletter, Vol. 2, Issue 1, February 2009, accessible at: www.standardsfacility.org)

As such, the STDF is uniquely equipped to fulfill the objectives of this cooperative agreement due to its diverse access to WTO members in both developed and developing countries and its ability to coordinate capacity building programs at a national, regional, and global level. Engaging the STDF through this cooperative agreement will provide FDA with ample opportunities to leverage additional resources among WTO member countries.

Overall, the objectives of the STDF are directly in line with the objectives of this cooperative agreement. This ability to advance the objectives of this cooperative agreement through member country engagement and leveraging is a requisite for success.

II. Award Information/Funds Available

A. Award Amount

The Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition intends to fund one award up to $750,000 total costs (direct plus indirect costs) for FY 2013. Future year amounts will depend on annual appropriations and successful performance.

B. Length of Support

The award will provide 1 year of support and include future recommended support for 4 additional years, contingent upon satisfactory performance in the achievement of project and program reporting objectives during the preceding year and the availability of Federal fiscal year appropriations.

III. Electronic Application, Registration, and Submission

Only electronic applications will be accepted. To submit an electronic application in response to this FOA, applicants should first review the full announcement located at www.fda.gov/food/newsevents/default.htm. (FDA has verified the Web site addresses throughout this document, but FDA is not responsible for any subsequent changes to the Web sites after this document publishes in the Federal Register.) For all electronically submitted applications, the following steps are required:

1. Step 1: Obtain a Dun and Bradstreet (DUNS) Number
2. Step 2: Register With System for Award Management (SAM)
3. Step 3: Obtain Username and Password
5. Step 5: Track AOR Status
6. Step 6: Register With Electronic Research Administration (eRA) Commons Steps 1 through 5, in detail, can be found at http://www07.grants.gov/applicants/organization_registration.jsp. Step 6, in detail, can be found at https://commons.era.nih.gov/commons/registration/registrationInstructions.jsp.

After you have followed these steps, submit electronic applications to: http://www.grants.gov.

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Leslie Kux,
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The draft guidance, when finalized, will represent the Agency’s current thinking on the content of and process for submitting initial PSPs and amended PSPs. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person and does not operate to bind FDA or the public. An alternative approach may be used if such approach satisfies the requirements of the applicable statutes and regulations.

II. The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This draft guidance includes information collection provisions that are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520). The collections of information referenced in this draft guidance that are related to the burden on the submission of investigational new drug applications are covered under 21 CFR Part 312, including plans for pediatric studies under 21 CFR 312.47(d)(7)(iv) and waiver requests under 21 CFR 312.10, and have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0014. The collections of information referenced in this draft guidance that are related to the burden on the submission of new drug applications are covered under 21 CFR Part 314, including pediatric use information under 21 CFR 314.50(d)(7) and waiver requests under 21 CFR 314.90, and have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0001. The collections of information referenced in this draft guidance that are related to the burden on the submission of biologic license applications are covered under 21 CFR Part 601, including pediatric use information and waiver requests under 21 CFR 601.27, and have been approved under OMB control number 0910–0338.

Sponsors are already required to submit plans for pediatric studies and often provide the information outlined in this guidance pursuant to the regulations noted above. The new FDAASIA provisions primarily serve to establish a more precise timeline for the submission of that information; however, some of the information may be considered a new collection of information. Federal law at 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A) requires Federal Agencies to publish a 60-day notice in the Federal Register for each proposed collection of information before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, FDA will publish a 60-day notice of the proposed collection of information in a future issue of the Federal Register for any information collections recommended in this guidance that may be considered new or that would represent material modifications to those previously approved collections of information found in FDA regulations or guidelines.

III. Comments

Interested persons may submit either electronic comments regarding this document to http://www.regulations.gov or written comments to the Division of Dockets Management (see ADDRESSES). It is only necessary to send one set of comments. Identify comments with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Received comments may be seen in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and will be posted to the docket at http://www.regulations.gov.

IV. Electronic Access


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Draft Guidance for Industry on Arsenic in Apple Juice: Action Level; Supporting Document for Action Level for Arsenic in Apple Juice; A Quantitative Assessment of Inorganic Arsenic in Apple Juice; Availability

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