DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Meeting To Discuss Lessons Learned From Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee Working Group Process

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) will convene a meeting on December 13, 2013 to discuss “lessons learned” from NTIA’s Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee (CSMAC or Committee) Working Group process.

DATES: The meeting will be held on December 13, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 4830, Washington, DC 20230. Public input may be mailed to Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 4099, Washington, DC 20230 or emailed to BWashington@ntia.doc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bruce M. Washington at (202) 482–6415 or BWashington@ntia.doc.gov; and/or visit NTIA’s Web site at http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/csmac. Please direct media inquiries to NTIA’s Office of Public Affairs at (202) 482–7002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: In May 2012, the CSMAC created five (5) working groups to consider ways to facilitate the transition of the 1695–1710 MHz and 1755–1850 MHz bands. The working groups were open to CSMAC members, federal agency representatives, and non-federal stakeholders even if they were not affiliated with the members on the full Committee. Each working group was co-chaired by an industry and an agency participant and each group included one or more CSMAC member liaisons. Staff from NTIA and the Federal Communications Commission also participated as observers.

The four working groups addressed the various federal operations within the two spectrum bands as follows:

1. Working Group 1—1695–1710 MHz Meteorological-Satellite
2. Working Group 2—Law Enforcement Video, Explosive Ordnance Disposal, and other short distance links;
3. Working Group 3—Satellite Control and Electronic Warfare;
4. Working Group 4—Tactical Radio Relay, Fixed Microwave, and ground-based software defined radios; and
5. Working Group 5—Airborne Operations (Air Combat Training Systems, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, Precision Guided Munitions, airborne software defined radios, and Aeronautical Telemetry)

From May 2012 to August 2013, the working groups organized themselves and developed work plans, convened face-to-face and teleconference meetings, drafted and edited reports, provided updates to the full CSMAC through the member liaisons, and delivered final reports and recommendations for consideration by the Committee. In a recent executive memorandum, President Obama stated that these discussions between agencies and nonfederal entities have “produced an unprecedented level of information-sharing and collaboration to identify opportunities for agencies to relinquish or share spectrum.”

Matters To Be Considered: At this meeting, NTIA will facilitate a forum for the CSMAC Working Group participants to discuss lessons learned from the collaborative efforts within the five (5) working groups. NTIA will post an agenda for the meeting on its Web site, http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/csmac, prior to the meeting. To the extent that the meeting time and agenda permit, any member of the public may speak to or otherwise address the forum regarding the agenda items. Although some CSMAC members will be participating, this meeting is not a meeting of the Committee under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The CSMAC’s next meeting will be held later the same day.

Time and Date: The meeting will be held on December 13, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time. The times and the agenda topics are subject to change. The meeting will be available via two-way audio link. Please refer to NTIA’s Web site, http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/csmac, for the most up-to-date meeting agenda and access information.

the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act ("PRA"), 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq., Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information and to allow 30 days for public comment. The CFTC's Office of Consumer Outreach (OCO) develops campaigns to change consumer behaviors so that consumers can better avoid fraud as defined under the Commodity Futures Exchange Act. The CFTC is posing survey questions to the public. This survey will include screening questions to identify the correct respondents and questions to determine optimal messages to help consumers identify, avoid, and report financial fraud as part of a consumer-facing anti-fraud campaign. This survey will follow qualitative message testing research (for which CFTC received fast-track OMB approval) and is necessary to identify, with statistical validation, which of these messages most effectively help consumers to identify, avoid, and report financial fraud.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 27, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, regarding the burden estimated or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for CFTC, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, and by any of the following methods: 
Agency Web site, via its Comments Online process: http://comments.cftc.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments through the Web site.
Hand delivery/Courier: Same as Mail above.

Please submit your comments using only one method and identify that it is for the “Quantitative Messaging Research.”

All comments must be submitted in English, or if not, accompanied by an English translation. Comments will be posted as received to http://www.cftc.gov. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. If you wish the Commission to consider information that you believe is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, a petition for confidential treatment of the exempt information may be submitted according to the procedures established in § 145.9 of the Commission’s regulations.1

The Commission reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, redact, refuse, or remove any or all of your submission from http://www.cftc.gov that it may deem to be inappropriate for publication, such as obscene language. All submissions that have been redacted or removed that contain comments on the merits of the rulemaking will be retained in the public comment file and will be considered as required under the Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws, and may be accessible under the Freedom of Information Act.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA, federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") for each collection of information they collect or sponsor. The collection of information is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) as the obtaining, causing to be obtained, soliciting of facts or opinions by or for an agency, regardless of form or format from ten or more persons. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The Commission is submitting this collection of information to OMB for approval and assigning of a collection number, pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.10.

Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), requires federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register for each proposed collection of information before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. Under OMB regulations, which implement provisions of the PRA, certain facts or opinions submitted in response to general solicitations of comments from the public, published in the Federal Register or other publications, 5 CFR 1320.3(b)(4), or facts or opinions obtained or solicited at or in connection with public hearings or meetings, 5 CFR 1320.3(b)(6), are excluded from the OMB approval process.

In 2010, the Dodd-Frank Act 2 expanded the Commission’s authority to, among other matters related to regulatory oversight, establish funding of consumer education initiatives under its new Whistleblower authority.3 Under this new authority, the Commission established an OCO to, among other efforts, survey the public regarding consumer education initiatives.4 This notice announces a public survey. The survey will include screening questions to identify the correct respondents and questions to determine optimal messages to help consumers identify, avoid, and report financial fraud as part of a consumer-facing anti-fraud campaign. This survey will follow qualitative message testing research (for which CFTC received fast-track OMB approval) and is necessary to identify, with statistical validation, which of these messages most effectively help consumers to identify, avoid, and report financial fraud.

The OCO will use the information collected in the survey to develop effective methods to inform the public on how best to detect and report financial fraud. This will be done by creating a final summary report that combines key findings from both the survey as well as other qualitative research.

Findings from the summary report will be used to inform a directional document to be used by the OCO that will include recommendations on primary messages, support points, content, overall tone, phrasing and imagery of outreach efforts on financial fraud, as well as how to use these messages in various communications channels (e.g. online, print, radio, TV and collateral materials).

The survey will be administered using an online survey tool. The online modality approach will allow presentation of test material to participants in a more convenient and time-efficient manner than other collection methods such as mail intercepts. The online method also allows for a quicker turnaround for data collection. No other collection methods will be used.

The screening questions will take about 1 minute to complete. It is anticipated that 2,200 people will be screened. The survey will take 15 minutes. 1,100 people will take the 15 minute survey. Based on these

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1 17 CFR 145.9.
4 See 17 CFR 165.12.
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**TIME AND DATE:** 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, October 30, 2013.

**PLACE:** CFTC Headquarters Conference Center, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st St. NW., Washington, DC.

**STATUS:** Open.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Commission has scheduled this meeting to consider various rulemaking matters, including the approval of several final rules. The agenda for this meeting is available to the public and posted on the Commission’s Web site at http://www.cftc.gov. In the event that the time, date, or place of the meeting changes, an announcement of the change, along with the new time, date, or place of the meeting, will be posted on the Commission’s Web site.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Melissa D. Jurgens, Secretary of the Commission, 202–418–5516.

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Science and Technology Reinvention Laboratory Personnel Management Demonstration Project, Department of Navy, Office of Naval Research (ONR); Amendment and Corrections**

**AGENCY:** Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Civilian Personnel Policy, (DASD (CPP)), Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice of Amendment and Administrative Corrections to the ONR Personnel Management Demonstration Project (75 FR 77380–77447, December 10, 2010).

**SUMMARY:** On December 10, 2010 (75 FR 77380–77447), DoD published a notice of approval of a personnel management demonstration project for eligible ONR employees. Within that notice, there were several typographical errors discovered. Additionally, after the publication of the notice and implementation of the demonstration project, ONR determined that for effective personnel management practices, amendments need to be made to provide better consistency in the use of the extended probationary periods for newly hired employees, and to more thoroughly cite the waivers to regulations required to apply these extended probationary periods. Amendments must also be made to better define minimally successful performance for assignments involving displacement, and to remove the requirement that advancements in certain Pay Bands need Executive Director’s approval. This notice provides the final amendment to the demonstration project plans.

**DATES:** This amendment may be implemented beginning on the date of publication of this Federal Register notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Office of Naval Research: Ms. Margaret J. Mitchell, Director, Human Resources Office, Office of Naval Research, 875 North Randolph Street, Code 01HR, Arlington, VA 22203; email: Margaret.J.Mitchell@navy.mil. Defense Department: Mr. Todd Cole, Defense Civilian Personnel Advisory Services, Non-Traditional Personnel Programs (DCPAS–NTPP), Suite 05F16, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22350–1100; email: william.cole@cps.osd.mil.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 10, 2013, a notice of proposed amendments and administrative corrections (78 FR 34655–34656) was published for a 30-day comment period. No comments were received on or before July 10, 2013. This notice makes the amendments and administrative corrections to the demonstration project.

**Modifications**

1. On page 77390, section III.F. Extended Probationary Period, replace the section with: All current laws and regulations for the current probationary period are retained with the exception of new employees hired under the demonstration. Candidates hired into the Administrative Support (NC) career track will serve a one year probationary period; candidates hired into the Administrative Specialist and Professional (NP) career track will serve a two year probationary period. Employees with...