

the manufacture of personal and household products. These records are maintained at the premises of the regulated individual and are routinely inspected by TTB personnel during field tax compliance examinations. These examinations are necessary to verify that all specially denatured spirits can be accounted for and are being used only for purposes authorized by laws and regulations. By ensuring that spirits have not been diverted to beverage use, tax revenue and public safety are protected. No additional recordkeeping is imposed on the respondent, as this information collection requires the maintenance only of the usual and customary business records of the regulated individual.

*Current Actions:* We are submitting this information collection for extension purposes only. The information collection, estimated number of respondents, and estimated total annual burden hours remain unchanged.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; and State, local, or tribal government.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 3,430.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* One (1).

*Title:* Marks and Notices on Packages of Tobacco Products, TTB REC 5210/13.

*OMB Number:* 1513-0101.

*TTB REC Number:* 5210/13.

*Abstract:* TTB requires that tax-related information appear on tobacco product packages and, in some cases, on shipping containers used for tobacco products. TTB uses this information to ensure that the tax is paid on tobacco products, and to ensure that products removed without payment of tax for export are easily identifiable if diverted into the domestic market.

*Current Actions:* We are submitting this information collection for extension purposes only. The information collection, estimated number of respondents, and estimated total annual burden hours remain unchanged.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 120.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* One (1).

*Title:* Special Tax Renewal Registration and Return/Special Tax Location Registration Listing.

*OMB Number:* 1513-0113.

*TTB Form Number:* 5630.5R.

*Abstract:* Chapter 52 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended

(IRC), imposes an occupational tax on persons engaging in certain tobacco businesses. Section 5731 of the IRC (26 U.S.C. 5731) requires persons to register and/or pay a special occupational tax before conducting business in certain tobacco categories. TTB F 5630.5R is used both to compute and report the tax and as an application for registry as required by statute. TTB F 5630.5R is computer-generated by TTB with known taxpayer identifying information (e.g., name, trade name, address, employer identification number, etc.) along with tax computations reflecting tax class(es), number of business locations, tax rate(s), and total tax due. The taxpayer corrects or supplies any inaccurate or incomplete information.

*Current Actions:* We are submitting this information collection for extension purposes only. The information collection, estimated number of respondents, and estimated total annual burden hours remain unchanged.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 400.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 100.

*Title:* Labeling of Major Food Allergens.

*OMB Control Number:* 1513-0121.

*TTB REC or Form Number:* None.

*Abstract:* The collection of information involves voluntary labeling of major food allergens used in the production of alcohol beverages and also involves petitions for exemption from full allergen labeling. The collection corresponds to the amendments to the Food, Drug and Cosmetics Act (FD&C Act) in Title II of Public Law 108-282, 118 Stat. 905.

*Current Actions:* We are submitting this information collection for extension purposes only. The information collection, estimated number of respondents, and estimated total annual burden hours remain unchanged.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 500.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 730.

*Title:* Report of Removal, Transfer, or Sale of Processed Tobacco.

*OMB Number:* 1513-0130.

*TTB Form Number:* 5250.2.

*Abstract:* Unregulated transfers or sales of processed tobacco to persons who do not hold TTB permits could

lead to processed tobacco falling into the hands of persons who would be unknown and unaccountable to TTB, including illegal manufacturers. In order to better regulate processed tobacco and prevent diversion, TTB requires the filing of a report covering all such transfers or sales. This report is used to protect the revenue.

*Current Actions:* We are submitting this information collection as a revision. We are revising TTB F 5250.2 to remove two data elements which TTB has determined to be no longer necessary. The form instructions also are being amended to reflect changes made to the regulations by T.D. TTB-104, which was published in the **Federal Register** (77 FR 37287) on June 21, 2012.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 800.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 2,400.

Dated: April 7, 2014.

**Rochelle E. Stern,**

*Director, Regulations and Rulings Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Fiscal Service

#### **Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds: CUMIS Specialty Insurance Company, Inc.**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Fiscal Service, Department of the Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is Supplement No. 5 to the Treasury Department Circular 570, 2013 Revision, published July 1, 2013, at 78 FR 39440.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Surety Bond Branch at (202) 874-6850.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A Certificate of Authority as an acceptable surety on Federal bonds is hereby issued under 31 U.S.C. 9305 to the following company:

CUMIS Specialty Insurance Company, Inc. (NAIC# 12758).

**BUSINESS ADDRESS:** Post Office Box 1084, Madison, WI 53701.

**PHONE:** (608) 238-5851. **UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/:** \$6,465,000.

**SURETY LICENSES c/:** IA INCORPORATED IN: Iowa.

Federal bond-approving officers should annotate their reference copies of the

Treasury Circular 570 ("Circular"), 2013 Revision, to reflect this addition.

Certificates of Authority expire on June 30th each year, unless revoked prior to that date. The Certificates are subject to subsequent annual renewal as long as the companies remain qualified (see 31 CFR part 223). A list of qualified companies is published annually as of July 1st in the Circular, which outlines details as to the underwriting limitations, areas in which companies are licensed to transact surety business, and other information.

The Circular may be viewed and downloaded through the Internet at <http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570>.

Questions concerning this Notice may be directed to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Bureau of the Fiscal Service, Financial Accounting and Services Branch, Surety Bond Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Room 6F01, Hyattsville, MD 20782.

Dated: April 3, 2014.

**Kevin McIntyre,**

Manager, Financial Accounting and Services Branch.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Determinations Concerning Illnesses Discussed in National Academy of Sciences Report: Veterans and Agent Orange: Update 2012

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As required by law, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) hereby gives notice that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, under the authority granted by the Agent Orange Act of 1991, codified at 38 U.S.C. 1116, has determined that there is no basis to establish a presumption of service connection at this time, based on exposure to herbicide agents, including the substance commonly known as Agent Orange, for several health effects discussed in the December 4, 2013, National Academy of Sciences (NAS) report titled: *Veterans and Agent Orange: Update 2012* (hereinafter, "Update 2012"). This determination does not in any way preclude VA from granting service connection for any disease, including those specifically discussed in this notice, nor does it change any existing rights or procedures.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Ford, Regulatory Specialist (10B4), Office of Regulatory and

Administrative Affairs, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, email [michael.ford2@va.gov](mailto:michael.ford2@va.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Statutory Requirements

The Agent Orange Act of 1991, Public Law 102-4 (codified in part at 38 U.S.C. 1116), directed the Secretary to seek to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) to conduct a comprehensive review of scientific and medical literature on potential health effects of exposure to Agent Orange. Congress mandated that NAS determine, to the extent possible: (1) Whether there is a statistical association between suspect diseases and herbicide exposure, taking into account the strength of the scientific evidence and the appropriateness of the scientific methodology used to detect the association; (2) the increased risk of disease among individuals exposed to the herbicides during service in the Republic of Vietnam during the Vietnam era; and (3) whether a plausible biological mechanism or other evidence of a causal relationship exists between exposure to herbicides and suspect disease.

Section 2 of Public Law 102-4, codified in pertinent part at 38 U.S.C. 1116(b) and (c), provides that whenever the Secretary determines, based on sound medical and scientific evidence, that a positive association (i.e., the credible evidence for the association is equal to or outweighs the credible evidence against the association) exists between exposure of humans to an herbicide agent (i.e., a chemical in an herbicide used in support of the United States and allied military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the Vietnam era) and a disease, the Secretary will publish regulations establishing presumptive service connection for that disease. If the Secretary determines that a presumption of service connection is not warranted, he is to publish a notice of that determination, including an explanation of the scientific basis for that determination.

Although 38 U.S.C. 1116 does not define "credible," it does instruct the Secretary to "take into consideration whether the results [of any study] are statistically significant, are capable of replication, and withstand peer review." The Secretary reviews studies that report a positive relative risk and studies that report a negative relative risk of a particular health outcome. He then determines whether the weight of evidence supports a finding that there is

or is not a positive association between herbicide exposure and the subsequent health outcome. The Secretary does this by taking into account the statistical significance, capability of replication, and whether that study will withstand peer review. Because of differences in statistical significance, confidence levels, control for confounding factors, bias, and other pertinent characteristics, some studies are more credible than others. The Secretary gives weight to more credible studies in evaluating the overall evidence concerning specific health outcomes.

##### II. Prior NAS Reports

NAS has issued ten previous biennial reports under the Agent Orange Act. Based on those reports and the requirements of the Agent Orange Act, VA has established presumptions of service connection for 14 categories of disease, which are listed at 38 CFR 3.309(e). Additionally, following each prior NAS report, VA has published a notice explaining the Secretary's determination that presumptions of service connection are not warranted for several diseases discussed in those reports. Those notices are published at: 59 FR 341 (Jan. 4, 1994), 61 FR 41442 (Aug. 8, 1996), 64 FR 59232 (Nov. 2, 1999), 67 FR 42600 (June 4, 2002), 68 FR 27630 (May 30, 2003), 72 FR 32395 (May 20, 2007), 75 FR 32540 (June 8, 2010), 75 FR 81332 (Dec. 27, 2010), and 77 FR 47924 (Aug. 10, 2012). The Secretary's determination that there is not a positive association between herbicide exposure and the diseases addressed in this notice is based upon the prior NAS reports, as discussed in VA's prior **Federal Register** notices, and upon the additional information and analysis in *Update 2012*, as discussed below.

##### III. Veterans and Agent Orange: Update 2012

On December 4, 2013, NAS publicly released *Veterans and Agent Orange: Update 2012*, which describes the relevant scientific and medical evidence identified subsequent to the last prior NAS review, *Veterans and Agent Orange: Update 2010* (hereinafter, "Update 2010"). NAS reviewed, evaluated, and summarized scientific and medical literature addressing several conditions and the health status of Veterans.

Consistent with its prior reviews, NAS concentrated its review on epidemiologic studies to fulfill its charge of assessing whether specific human health effects are associated with exposure to at least one of the herbicides utilized or to a chemical