DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs

Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health

AGENCY: Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs, Department of Labor.

ACTION: Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health; notice of Advisory Board Charter renewal.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 3687 of Public Law 106–398, which was added by section 3141(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) of 2015, Executive Order 13699 (June 26, 2015), and the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. A. 2) and its implementing regulations issued by the General Services Administration (GSA), the Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health was established on July 2, 2015. The current Charter was signed on June 29, 2017 and expires on June 28, 2019. Pursuant to FACA, Section 14(b)(2), the Secretary of Labor has renewed the Charter for two years.

The Charter renewal allows the Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health (Board) to continue its operations. The Board advises the Secretary of Labor (Secretary) with respect to: (1) The Site Exposure Matrices (SEM) of the Department of Labor; (2) medical guidance for claims examiners for claims with the EEOICPA program, with respect to the weighing of the medical evidence of claimants; (3) evidentiary requirements for claims under Part B of EEOICPA related to lung disease; and (4) the work of industrial hygienists and staff physicians and consulting physicians of the Department of Labor and reports of such hygienists and physicians to ensure quality, objectivity, and consistency. The Board, when necessary, coordinates exchanges of data and findings with the Department of Health and Human Services’ Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health.

Membership of the Board currently consists of 12 members appointed by the Secretary (eleven sitting members and one replacement member pending), who also appointed a Chair. Public Law 106–398, Section 3687(a)(3). Pursuant to Section 3687(a)(2), membership is balanced and includes members from the scientific, medical and claimant communities. The members serve two-year terms. At the discretion of the Secretary, members may be appointed to successive terms or removed at any time. The Board meets no less than twice per year.

The Board reports to the Secretary of Labor. As specified in Section 3687(i), the Board shall terminate ten (10) years after the date of the enactment of the NDAA, which was December 19, 2014. Thus, the Board shall terminate on December 19, 2024.

Electronic copies of this Federal Register notice are available at http://www.regulations.gov. This notice, as well as news releases and other relevant information, are also available on the Advisory Board’s web page at http://www.dol.gov/owcp/energyregs/compliance/AdvisoryBoard.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Douglas Fitzgerald, Designated Federal Officer, at fitzgerald.douglas@dol.gov, or Carrie Rhoads, Alternate Designated Federal Officer, at rhoads.carrie@dol.gov, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Suite S–3524, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 343–5580. This is not a toll-free number.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 2nd day of July, 2019.

Julia K. Hearthway,
Director, Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Office of Federal Procurement Policy

Cost Accounting Standards Board Meeting Agenda

AGENCY: Cost Accounting Standards Board, Office Federal Procurement Policy, Office of Management and Budget.

ACTION: Notice of agenda for closed Cost Accounting Standards Board meetings.

SUMMARY: The Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP), Cost Accounting Standards Board (CAS Board) is publishing this notice to advise the public of planned meetings on July 25, 2019, and August 21, 2019. The notice is published pursuant to section 820 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017, which requires the CAS Board to publish agendas of its meetings in the Federal Register. The meetings are closed to the public.

DATES: July 25, 2019, August 21, 2019.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Raymond Wong, Staff Director, Cost Accounting Standards Board (telephone: 202–395–6805; email: rwong@omb.eop.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 820 amended section 1501(d) of title 41 of the United States Code to require that the CAS Board meet at least quarterly and publish a notice of its meeting, including the meeting agenda, in the Federal Register. To date, the CAS Board has convened five times in FY 2019, on (i) November 24, 2018, (ii) February 28, 2019, (iii) March 21, 2019, (iv) April 18, 2019, and (v) June 27, 2019. Due to the lapse in appropriations, the meeting originally scheduled for January 24, 2019 was rescheduled to February 28, 2019. The Board held a brief status teleconference on January 24, 2019. The Notice of agenda for closed Cost Accounting Standards Board meetings, 83 FR 59422 (November 23, 2018), provides a description of agenda items covered at these meetings in November as well as the meeting in February that was rescheduled from January. The topics discussed at the March and April meetings fell within the same general scope as those described in the November notice. The topics discussed at the June meeting fell within the scope as those described in this notice.

The CAS Board is issuing this notice for public awareness of upcoming meetings to be held on July 25, 2019, and August 21, 2019. The list of agenda items for these meetings is set forth below. While CAS Board meetings are closed to the public, the Board welcomes comments and inquiries, which may be directed to the staff director using the contact information provided above. The CAS Board will discuss its accomplishments and activities for FY 2019 in its annual report to Congress, which will be transmitted after the end of the fiscal year, in accordance with section 820(e).

Planned Agenda for CAS Board Meetings on July 25, 2019, and August 21, 2019

1. Conformance of CAS to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Section 820 requires the CAS Board to review and conform CAS, where practicable, to GAAP. The CAS Board will continue its discussion of the Staff Discussion Paper (SDP) addressing conformance of CAS 411, Accounting for Acquisition Costs of Material and CAS 404, Capitalization of Tangible Assets, to GAAP. The Board will also review public comments received in response to the publication of the first
SDP on CAS–GAAP conformance. See Staff Discussion Paper on Conformance of the Cost Accounting Standards to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (84 FR 9143, March 13, 2019). The first SDP provided a proposed conceptual framework and guiding principles to prioritize the evaluation of whether and to what extent CAS may be conformed to GAAP as well as an initial comparison of CAS 408, Accounting for Costs of Compensated Personal Absence, and CAS 409, Cost Accounting Standard Depreciation of Tangible Capital Assets, for public comment.

2. Review of CAS-Applicability Recommendations made by the Advisory Panel on Streamlining and Codifying Acquisition Regulations (the “section 809 Panel”). On April 30, 2019, the Office of Management and Budget transmitted two legislative proposals to Congress—for consideration in the acquisition title of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2020 or as part of other appropriate Congressional bills—addressing certain recommendations made by the Section 809 Panel in volume 2 of its report. One legislative proposal would repeal the statutory requirement for the Department of Defense to manage a Defense Cost Accounting Standards Board. The second legislative proposal would decouple the monetary threshold for CAS applicability from the threshold for Truth in Negotiations Act applicability and increase the basic threshold for CAS applicability from $2 million to $15 million. These proposals were developed with input from the CAS Board. Copies of these proposals may be found on the OMB homepage at https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/NDAA-Transmittal-of-OFPP-Proposals-Summary-MPence-Entire-Leg-Pkg-Final-2.pdf (see pp. 22–32). The Board will consider other CAS applicability recommendations made by the Section 809 Panel.

3. Review of Court and Board Decisions Related to CAS. Section 820(a) requires the CAS Board to review on an annual basis disputes before the Boards of Contract Appeals (BCAs) or Federal courts involving its standards to determine whether greater clarity in CAS could avoid such disputes. The Board will discuss recent decisions by the BCAs and Courts involving its standards.

4. CAS Board Working Groups. The Board will assess the need for additional support on its pension harmonization working group. The working group has completed fact-finding work for the SDP on Pension Adjustments for Extraordinary Events and provided recommendations to the Board to support promulgation of an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) on this subject. The Board intends to simultaneously publish the SDP and ANPRM and reconvene the working group following receipt of public comments on the ANPRM. The Board will also evaluate the need for a dedicated working group to support ongoing work associated with the CAS–GAAP conformance project.

Lesley A. Field, Acting Chair, Cost Accounting Standards Board.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Office of Government Information Services

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Chief FOIA Officers’ Council Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Government Information Services (OGIS), National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Office of Information Policy (OIP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: We are announcing 2019’s annual Chief FOIA Officers’ Council meeting, co-chaired by the Director of OGIS and the Director of OIP.

DATES: The meeting will be on Monday, August 5, 2019, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. EDT. Please register for the meeting no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on Friday, August 2, 2019 (registration information is below).

ADDRESSES: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA); 700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, William G. McGowan Theater; Washington, DC 20408.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kirsten Mitchell, by mail at National Archives and Records Administration; Office of Government Information Services; 8601 Adelphi Road—OGIS; College Park, MD 20740—6001, by telephone at 202.741.5782, or by email at ogis@nara.gov with the subject line “Chief FOIA Officers’ Council.”

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is open to the public in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(k)). The Chief FOIA Officers’ Council is co-chaired by the Directors of OIP and OGIS. Among the purposes of the Chief FOIA Officers’ Council is developing recommendations to increase compliance and efficiency and sharing best practices and innovative approaches. Additional details about the meeting will be available on OGIS’s website at https://archives.gov/about-ogis/Chief-FOIA-Officers-Council and OIP’s website at https://www.justice.gov/oip/chief-foia-officers-council.

Procedures: Due to security requirements, you must register in advance if you wish to attend the meeting. You will also go through security screening when you enter the building. Registration for the meeting will go live via Eventbrite on Friday, July 12, 2019. To register for the meeting, please do so at the following Eventbrite link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/chief-foia-officers-council-meeting-august-5-2019-tickets-6442234638.

We will also live-stream the meeting on the National Archives YouTube channel, https://www.youtube.com/user/usnationalarchives/playlists, and include a captioning option. Please check back on the OGIS and OIP websites for the specific National Archives YouTube channel link. To request additional accommodations (e.g., a transcript), email ogis@nara.gov or call 202.741.5770.

Members of the media who wish to register, those who are unable to register online, and those who require special accommodations, should contact Kirsten Mitchell at the phone number, emailing address, or email address listed above.

Alina Semo,
Director, Office of Government Information Services.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Community of Interest Meeting on Future Computing

AGENCY: Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (NITRD) National Coordination Office (NCO), National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The community of interest (CoI) meeting will focus on the R&D challenges and opportunities in future computing landscape for the coming decade and beyond to ensure that the public, academic, and private sectors are prepared for the new computing modalities.

DATES: August 5–6, 2019.