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*Title:* Substantially Underserved Trust Areas.

*OMB Control Number:* 0572-0147.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* February 28, 2022.

*Type of Request:* Revision of a currently approved information collection.

*Abstract:* The RUS provides loan, loan guarantee, and grant programs for rural electric, water and waste, and telecommunications and broadband infrastructure. The SUTA initiative gives the Secretary of Agriculture certain discretionary authorities relating to financial assistance terms and conditions that can enhance the financing possibilities in areas that are underserved by certain RUS electric, water and waste, and telecommunications and broadband programs.

The Water and Environmental Programs (WEP), division of RUS, provides low-income communities that face significant health risks, access to safe, reliable drinking water and waste disposal facilities services. Safe drinking water and sanitary waste disposal systems are vital not only to public health, but also to the economic vitality of rural America. Rural Development is a leader in helping rural America improve the quality of life and increase the economic opportunities for rural people. Under 7 CFR 1777, Section 306C, WEP provides funding for the construction of water and waste facilities in rural communities and is proud to be the only Federal program exclusively focused on rural water and waste infrastructure needs of rural communities with populations of 10,000 or less. WEP also provides funding to organizations that provide technical assistance and training to rural

communities in relation to their water and waste activities, and is administered through National Office staff in Washington, DC, and a network of field staff in each State.

The Electric Program makes insured loans and loan guarantees to nonprofit and cooperative associations, public bodies, and other utilities. Insured loans primarily finance the construction of electric distribution facilities in rural areas. The guaranteed loan program has been expanded and is now available to finance generation, transmission, and distribution facilities. The loans and loan guarantees finance the construction of electric distribution, transmission, and generation facilities, including system improvements and replacement required to furnish and improve electric service in rural areas, as well as demand side management, energy conservation programs, and on-grid and off-grid renewable energy systems. The loans and loan guarantees finance the construction of electric distribution, transmission, and generation facilities, including system improvements and replacement required to furnish and improve electric service in rural areas, as well as demand side management, energy efficiency and conservation programs, and on-grid and off-grid renewable energy systems. Loans are made to cooperatives as well as to corporations, states, territories and subdivisions and agencies such as municipalities, people's utility districts, and nonprofit, limited-dividend, or mutual associations that provide retail electric service needs to rural areas or supply the power needs of distribution borrowers in rural areas.

The Telecom Program provides funding for the deployment of rural telecommunications infrastructure. Funding includes loans and loan guarantees as well as grants to eligible for-profit and non-profit entities, tribes, municipalities, and cooperatives. Investments in tribal and economically disadvantaged areas are typically encouraged. Funds are available through several different programs to help rural communities extend access where broadband service is least likely to be commercially available. Each program has different applicant and project eligibility requirements and program objectives. Once funds are awarded, Rural Development monitors the projects to make sure they are completed, meet all program requirements, and are making efficient use of federal resources. The Telecom Program maintains staff of General Field Representatives (GFRs) locally for any technically assistance will be required nationwide. GFRs are an integral part of

our outreach delivery system. GFRs meet regularly with awardees at the awardee's locations. GFRs serve as the local information resources for the awardees and headquarters staff. They keep awardees current on issues that profoundly impact their business.

The data covered by this collection of information are those materials necessary to allow the agency to determine applicant and community eligibility and an explanation and documentation of the high need for the benefits of the SUTA provisions. Program specific application materials, which funds are being applied for, are covered by the information collection package for the specific RUS program.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 hours per response.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 2.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 60.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Arlette Mussington, Innovation Center—Regulations Management Division, at (202) 720-2825. Email: [arlette.mussington@usda.gov](mailto:arlette.mussington@usda.gov).

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

**Christopher A. McLean,**  
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## CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**TIME AND DATE:** October 29, 2021, 1:00 p.m. EDT (1.5 hours).

**PLACE:** The public meeting will be held virtually via ZOOM. The access information will be provided by email to registrants. Registration is required via the below link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltc-ypqTsiE8fNj3oJkd2CwJ4RonSFLig>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

**STATUS:** Open to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB) will convene a public meeting on Friday, October 29, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. EDT. This meeting serves to fulfill its quarterly October

public meeting requirement. The Board will review the CSB's progress in meeting its mission and highlight safety products newly released through investigations and safety recommendations.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER**

**INFORMATION:** Hillary Cohen, Communications Manager, at [public@csb.gov](mailto:public@csb.gov) or (202) 446-8094. Further information about this public meeting can be found on the CSB website at: [www.csb.gov](http://www.csb.gov).

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

**Background**

The CSB is an independent federal agency charged with investigating incidents and hazards that result, or may result, in the catastrophic release of extremely hazardous substances. The agency's Board Members are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. CSB investigations look into all aspects of chemical accidents and hazards, including physical causes such as equipment failure as well as inadequacies in regulations, industry standards, and safety management systems.

**Public Participation**

The meeting is free and open to the public. This meeting will only be available via ZOOM. Close captions (CC) will be provided.

To submit public comments for the record please email us at [public@csb.gov](mailto:public@csb.gov). Public comments sent in advance may be addressed at the meeting.

Dated: September 14, 2021.

**Tamara Qureshi,**

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**CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD**

**Sunshine Act Meeting**

**TIME AND DATE:** September 24, 2021, 1:00 p.m. EDT (4 hours).

**PLACE:** The public meeting will be held virtually via ZOOM. The access information will be provided by email to registrants. Registration is required via the below link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJ1tdOqpqjkuEhyI9WTTEDzJN1ztNBx0rGg>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

**STATUS:** Open to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB) announces that it will convene a public meeting to release two final investigation reports. The first report details the investigation into a fatal incident on May 3, 2019. The incident occurred when a flammable vapor cloud found an ignition source and ignited, causing an explosion and fire. The flammable vapor originated from the area where AB Specialty was making a silicon hydride emulsion. The release fatally injured four employees and seriously injured another employee. This facility is operated by AB Specialty Silicones, LLC (AB Specialty).

The second report details the investigation into a fatal incident on September 21, 2020, at the Evergreen Packaging paper mill in Canton, North Carolina. The incident occurred when an electric heat gun fell into a bucket of flammable resin, igniting a fire. The incident occurred inside a process vessel that was a permit-required confined space. The fire spread to a connected process vessel and fatally injured two contract workers.

CSB staff will present its final reports with corresponding findings and recommendations. Staff presentations are preliminary and are intended to allow the Board to consider in a public forum the issues and factors involved in this case.

To submit public comments for the record please email us at [public@csb.gov](mailto:public@csb.gov). Public comments sent in advance may be addressed at the meeting.

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Dated: September 14, 2021

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**COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS**

**Notice of Public Meetings of the Arkansas Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

**ACTION:** Announcement of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the Arkansas Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold a virtual (online) meeting Friday, October 1, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Central Time. The purpose of the meeting is for the Committee to discuss civil rights concerns related to IDEA compliance and implementation in Arkansas schools.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Friday, October 1, 2021 at 1 p.m. Central time.

**ADDRESSES:**

*Web Access (audio/visual):* Register at: <https://bit.ly/3hinWx2>.

*Phone Access (audio only):* 800-360-9505, Access Code 2760 759 9224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Melissa Wojnarowski, Designated Federal Officer, at [mwojnarowski@usccr.gov](mailto:mwojnarowski@usccr.gov) or (202) 618-4158.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Members of the public may join online or listen to this discussion through the above call-in number. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. Callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be