

Notices

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

AGENCY: United States Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of Commission public business meeting.

DATES: Friday, December 13, 2024, 10:00 a.m. EST.

ADDRESSES: Meeting to take place virtually and is open to the public via livestream on the Commission's YouTube page: <https://www.youtube.com/user/USCCR/videos>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joe Kim: 202-376-8371; publicaffairs@usccr.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Government in Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), the Commission on Civil Rights is holding a meeting to discuss the Commission's business for the month. This business meeting is open to the public. Computer assisted real-time transcription (CART) will be provided. The web link to access CART (in English) on December 13, 2024, is <https://www.streamtext.net/player?event=USCCR>. Please note that CART is text-only translation that occurs in real time during the meeting and is not an exact transcript.

I. Approval of Agenda

II. Business Meeting

A. A Discussion and Vote on the planning documents for the 2025 Briefing Report Topic on Language Access, led by Commissioner Magpantay.

- B. Management and Operations.
 - Staff Director's Report.

III. Adjourn Meeting

Dated: December 5, 2024.

David Mussatt,
USCCR Chief of Regional Programs Unit.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; High-Frequency Surveys Program/Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey (HTOPS)

On July 22, 2024, the Department of Commerce received clearance from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 to conduct Phase 4.2 of the Household Pulse Survey (OMB No. 0607-1029, Exp. 01/31/27) and on July 12, 2024, clearance was received to conduct the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth Census Household Panel topical operations (OMB No. 0607-1025, Exp. 6/30/26). The Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey (HTOPS) is designed to ensure availability of frequent data collection for nationwide estimates on a variety of topics for a variety of subgroups of the population. This notice serves to inform of the Department's intent to request clearance from OMB to conduct HTOPS sample replenishment and January and February topical operations.

The purpose of the sample replenishment baseline instrument is to recruit a nationally representative survey panel and also collect data on a variety of topics of interest. The topical survey that will field in January will include a household roster update and a section of assistance program income questions that will be used to test several possible changes being made in preparation for the transition to a multimode version of the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) the SIPP redesign effort on a larger representative respondent sample. The results of this test will be for internal use only. The February topical survey will include content from the Household Pulse Survey. The

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Household Pulse Survey will continue to serve as an experimental endeavor coordinated with other federal agencies to produce near real-time data to understand the effects of current events, including health events, natural disaster events, or other social or economic events facing the nation or a significant portion of the nation.

It is the Department's intention to commence data collection using the revised instrument on or about July 23, 2024. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on February 15, 2024 (OMB No. 0607-1029) during a 30-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce.

Title: High Frequency Surveys Program/Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0607-1029.

Form Number(s): Not yet determined.

Type of Request: Regular submission. Request for a Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.

Number of Respondents: Baseline: 18,000 respondents/Topicals 17,812 panel members.

Average Hours per Response: Baseline: .400 (24 minutes); Topicals: .333 (20 minutes).

Burden Hours: Baseline: 7,200/Topical 3,300 per month.

Needs and Uses: The High-Frequency Surveys Program was established as a natural progression from the creation of the Household Pulse Survey. The Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey (HTOPS) is a probability-based nationwide nationally representative survey panel designed to test the methods to collect data on a variety of topics of interest, and for conducting experimentation on alternative question wording and methodological approaches. The goal of the HTOPS is to ensure availability of frequent data collection for nationwide estimates on a variety of topics and a variety of subgroups of the population, meeting standards for transparent quality reporting of the Federal Statistical

Agencies and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

Panelists and households selected for the HTOPS were recruited from the Census Bureau's gold standard Master Address File. This ensures that HTOPS is rooted in this rigorously developed and maintained frame and available for linkage to administrative records securely maintained and curated by the Census Bureau. Invitations to complete the monthly surveys will be sent via email and SMS messages.

Questionnaires will be mainly internet self-response. The HTOPS will maintain representativeness by allowing respondents who do not use the internet to respond via computer-assisted telephone interviewing (CATI). All panelists will receive an incentive for each complete questionnaire. Periodic replenishment samples will maintain representativeness and panelists will be replaced after a period of three years.

Affected Public: Households.

Frequency: Monthly.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: 13 U.S.C. 141, 182 and 193.

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0607–1025.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

[Docket No. 241127–0304]

RIN 0694–XC110

Impact of the Implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) on Legitimate Commercial Chemical, Biotechnology, and Pharmaceutical Activities Involving "Schedule 1" Chemicals (Including "Schedule 1" Chemicals Produced as Intermediates) During Calendar Year 2024

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of inquiry.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) is seeking public comments on the impact that implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC or "the Convention"), through the Chemical Weapons Convention Implementation Act of 1998 and the Chemical Weapons Convention Regulations (CWCR), has had on commercial activities involving "Schedule 1" chemicals during calendar year 2024. The purpose of this notice of inquiry is to collect information to assist BIS in its preparation of the annual certification to the Congress on whether the legitimate commercial activities and interests of chemical, biotechnology, and pharmaceutical firms are harmed by such implementation. This certification is required under Condition 9 of Senate Resolution 75 (April 24, 1997), in which the Senate gave its advice and consent to the ratification of the CWC.

DATES: Comments must be received by January 8, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this rule may be submitted to the Federal rulemaking portal at: www.regulations.gov. The regulations.gov ID for this rule is: BIS–2024–0054. Please refer to RIN 0694–XC110 in all comments.

All filers using the portal should use the name of the person or entity submitting the comments as the name of their files, in accordance with the instructions below. Anyone submitting business confidential information should clearly identify the business confidential portion at the time of submission, file a statement justifying nondisclosure and referring to the specific legal authority claimed, and provide a non-confidential version of the submission.

For comments submitted electronically containing business confidential information, the file name of the business confidential version should begin with the characters "BC."

Any page containing business confidential information must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" on the top of that page. The corresponding non-confidential version of those comments must be clearly marked "PUBLIC." The file name of the non-confidential version should begin with the character "P." Any submissions with file names that do not begin with either a "BC" or a "P" will be assumed to be public and will be made publicly available at: <https://www.regulations.gov>.

Commenters submitting business confidential information are encouraged to scan a hard copy of the non-confidential version to create an image of the file, rather than submitting a digital copy with redactions applied, to avoid inadvertent redaction errors which could enable the public to read business confidential information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For questions on the Chemical Weapons Convention requirements for "Schedule 1" chemicals, contact David Johnston, Treaty Compliance Division, (202) 482–2450, Email: David.Johnston@bis.doc.gov.

For questions on the submission of comments, contact Logan Norton, Regulatory Policy Division, (202) 482–2440; Email: RPD2@bis.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In providing its advice and consent to the ratification of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling, and Use of Chemical Weapons and Their Destruction (CWC or "the Convention"), the Senate included, in Senate Resolution 75 (S. Res. 75, April 24, 1997), several conditions to its ratification. Condition 9, titled "Protection of Advanced Biotechnology," calls for the President to certify to Congress on an annual basis that "the legitimate commercial activities and interests of chemical, biotechnology, and pharmaceutical firms in the United States are not being significantly harmed by the limitations of the Convention on access to, and production of, those chemicals and toxins listed in Schedule 1." On July 8, 2004, President George W. Bush, by Executive Order 13346, delegated his authority to make the annual certification to the Secretary of Commerce.

The CWC is an international arms control treaty that contains certain verification provisions. In order to implement these verification provisions, the CWC established the Organization