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FROM: NIH Privacy Act Officer

SUBJECT: Applicability of the Privacy Act: "The NIH-AARP Comprehensive Lifestyle Interview by Computer Study (CLIC)"

I have reviewed the NCI/DCEG submission to OMB requesting approval for the use of the Computer Study and various questionnaires. I have determined that the Privacy Act will apply to this data collection for several reasons. The participant's name, home address and email address will be collected and retained throughout the activity period in order to maintain contact with the respondent. The date of birth, gender and SSN will be collected to link to cancer registries and computerized questionnaires will be used to assess an individual's lifestyle factors through their entire lifespan.

Due to the fact that study data will be identified and retrieved by a study number, the data collection is covered by NIH Privacy Act Systems of Record 09-25-0200, "Clinical, Basic and Population-based Research Studies of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), HHS/NIH/OD."

If you have any questions, please contact my office at (301) 402-6201.

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