**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**Bethesda, Maryland 20892**

DATE: April 27, 2010

TO: Office of Management and Budget

THROUGH: Project Clearance Officer, DHHS

 Project Clearance Officer, NIH

 Project Clearance Liaison, NIAID

FROM: Katharine Kripke, Assistant Director

 National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases

 Division of AIDS

 Vaccine Research Program

SUBJECT: Pretesting of NIAID’s HIV Vaccine Research Education Initiative

 (OMB No. 0925-0585; Expiration Date 2/28/11)

Requested Non-Substantive Change to OMB No. 0925-0585-05

The fifth individual information collection requested under this generic clearance (tracking # 0925-0585-05) was submitted and approved on 4/05/2010. This collection includes an online survey with individuals from four U.S. populations highly affected by HIV/AIDS.

This is a request for OMB to approve a non-substantive change to the method of the aforementioned information collection. Instead of collecting information through an online survey, we will collect the data through intercept interviews. This change is being made due to the anticipated time required to procure an online survey vendor that has completed the Certification and Accreditation process, a process needed for electronic collection of data under this contract. An intercept interview vendor has already been identified.

In order to accommodate this change we need to add one question to the screening criteria which has been highlighted in Appendix 1 Intercept Interview Instrument, question 1. This question would confirm that participants use the Internet at least weekly. Specifically, this question reads:

 *How frequently do you use the Internet?*

 *Daily*

 *Weekly (At least once per week)*

 *Monthly (At least once per month)*

 *Rarely or Never*

The proposed non-substantive change to this information collection will not alter the number of respondents or burden hours as listed in the currently approved OMB package (tracking # 0925-0585-05).

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Katharine Kripke, Ph.D.