rdna\_rac/rac\_meetings.html for more information.

Place: Hilton Washington/Rockville, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Time:* September 14, 2011, 8:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Agenda: The NIH Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee (RAC) will discuss selected human gene transfer protocols, including a study using a modified Bifidobacterium longum for targeting of chemotherapy for advanced cancer. The RAC will also hear a presentation of the results of a Phase 1/2 trial using a modified AAV1 virus that expresses the sarcoplasmic reticulum Ca<sup>2+</sup>-ATPase in subjects with advanced heart failure. Please view the meeting agenda at http://oba.od.nih.gov/rdna\_rac/rac\_meetings.html for more information.

Place: Hilton Washington/Rockville, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Chezelle George, Office of Biotechnology Activities, Office of Science Policy/OD, National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Room 750, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–496–9838, georgec@od.nih.gov.

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: http://oba.od.nih.gov/rdna/rdna.html, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

OMB's "Mandatory Information Requirements for Federal Assistance Program Announcements" (45 FR 39592, June 11, 1980) requires a statement concerning the official government programs contained in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance. Normally NIH lists in its announcements the number and title of affected individual programs for the guidance of the public. Because the guidance in this notice covers virtually every NIH and Federal research program in which DNA recombinant molecule techniques could be used, it has been determined not to be cost effective or in the public interest to attempt to list these programs. Such a list would likely require several additional pages. In addition, NIH could not be certain that every Federal program would be included as many Federal agencies, as well as private organizations, both national and international, have elected to follow the NIH Guidelines. In lieu of the individual program listing, NIH invites readers to direct questions to the information address above about whether individual programs listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance are affected.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.14, Intramural Research Training Award; 93.22, Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.232, Loan Repayment Program for Research Generally; 93.39, Academic Research Enhancement Award; 93.936, NIH Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Loan Repayment Program; 93.187, Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: August 22, 2011.

#### Jennifer S. Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### **National Institutes of Health**

# Center for Scientific Review; Amended Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the Instrumentation and Systems Development Study Section, September 22, 2011, 8 a.m. to September 23, 2011, 5 p.m., Courtyard by Marriott, 5520 Wisconsin Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD, 20815 which was published in the **Federal Register** on August 11, 2011, 76 FR 49779–49780.

The meeting will be held September 21, 2011, 7 p.m. to September 23, 2011, 5 p.m. The meeting location remains the same. The meeting is closed to the public.

Dated: August 22, 2011.

### Jennifer S. Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Post-Award Contract Information

**AGENCY:** Office of Chief Procurement Officer, DHS.

**ACTION:** 60-Day notice and request for comments; Extension without change.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security, Office of Chief Procurement Officer, will submit the following Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until October 31, 2011. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.1.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and questions about this Information

Collection Request should be forwarded to the Office of Chief Procurement Officer, Acquisition Policy and Legislation Office, DHS Attn.: Camara Francis, Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Room 3114, Washington, DC 20528, Camara.Francis@hq.dhs.gov, 202–447–5904.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Components and the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer collect information, when necessary in administering public contracts for supplies and services. The information is used to determine compliance with contract terms placed in the contract as authorized by the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act (41 U.S.C. 251 et seq.) and the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) (48 CFR Chapter 1). Source selection documentation, Government estimate of contract price, contract modifications, Small Business Administration Certificate of Competency, Justification and approvals, determination and finding are examples of the kinds of post-award contract information that is collected are identified in pertinent sections of FAR 4.803, Contents of contract files. The complete FAR can be viewed on the Internet at http://www.arnet.gov.

The information requested is used by the Government's contracting officers and other acquisition personnel, including technical and legal staffs to determine contractor's technical and management progress and controls of the firms holding public contracts to determine if the firms are making appropriate progress in work agreed to and are otherwise performing in the Government's best interest. Payment of a firm's invoices (or non-payment) and/ or corrective action may result from such reviews. If this information were not collected, the Government would jeopardize its operations by failing to exercise its responsibility for a major internal control in its contracts' postaward phase. Many sources of the requested information use automated word processing systems, databases, spreadsheets, project management and other commercial software to facilitate preparation of material to be submitted, particularly in the submission of periodic (e.g., monthly) reports that describe contractor performance and progress of work. With Governmentwide implementation of e-Government initiatives, it is commonplace within many of DHS's Components for submissions to be

electronic.

According to Federal Procurement Data System-Next Generation (FPDS-NG) the number of Post-Contract award information has increased each year over the past two years in annual respondent and burden hours. This increase is the result of a new estimate of awards, which contributes to the Post-Award information that is collected. This collection was previously approved by OMB on January 26, 2009. This collection will be submitted to OMB for review to request approval to extend the collection past the current expiration date of January 31, 2011. There are no proposed changes to the information being collected, instructions, frequency of the collection or the use of the information being collected.

The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments which:

- 1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- 2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- 3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

### Analysis

Agency: Office of Chief Procurement Officer, DHS.

*Title:* Post-Award Contract Information.

OMB Number: 1600–0003. Frequency: On occasion. Affected Public: Private sector. Number of Respondents: 8,000.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 14

Total Burden Hours: 336,000. Dated: August 22, 2011.

### Richard Spires,

Chief Information Officer.

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### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Agency Information Collection Activities: Solicitation of Proposal Information for Award of Public Contracts

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, DHS.

**ACTION:** 60-Day Notice and request for comments; Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, will submit the following Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until October 31, 2011. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.1.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and questions about this Information Collection Request should be forwarded to the Office of Chief Procurement Officer, Acquisition Policy and Legislation Office, DHS Attn.: Camara Francis, Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Room 3114, Washington, DC 20528, Camara.Francis@hq.dhs.gov, 202–447–5904.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer (OCPO) collect information when inviting firms to submit bids, proposals, and offers for public contracts for supplies and services. The information collection is necessary for compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR); 48 CFR chapter 1, the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act (Division C of Title 41), under the Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs 15 U.S.C.

For solicitations to contract made through a variety of means, whether conducted orally or in writing, contracting officers normally request information from prospective offerors such as pricing information, delivery schedule compliance, and whether the offeror has the resources (both human and financial) to accomplish requirements. Examples of the kinds of information collected can be found in

the FAR at FAR 13.106–1, 13.106–3, 13.302–1, –3, –5, subpart 13.5, subpart 14.2, subpart 15.2, subpart 6.1, and subpart 35.

Examples where collections of information occur in soliciting for supplies/services include the issuance of draft Requests for Proposal (RFP), Requests for Information (RFI), and Broad Agency Announcements (BAA). The Government generally issues an RFP using the uniform contract format (FAR 15.204-1) with the intent of awarding a contract to one or more prospective offerors. The RFP can require those interested in making an offer to provide information in the following areas: schedule (FAR 15.204-2); contract clauses (FAR 15.204-3); list of documents, exhibits and other attachments (FAR 15.204-4) or representations and instructions (15.204-5).

FAR 15.201(e) authorizes agencies to issue RFIs when an agency "does not presently intend to award a contract, but wants to obtain price, delivery, other market information, or capabilities for planning purposes". RFIs solicit responses from the public. Similarly, FAR 35.106 authorizes Federal agencies to use BAAs to "fulfill their requirements for scientific study and experimentation directed toward advancing the state-of-the-art or increasing knowledge or understanding rather than focusing on a specific system or hardware solution."

The DHS Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate issues BAAs soliciting white papers and proposals from the public. DHS S&T evaluates white papers and proposals received from the public in response to a DHS S&T BAA using the evaluation criteria specified in the BAA through a peer or scientific review process in accordance with FAR 35.016(d). White paper evaluation determines those research ideas that merit submission of a full proposal and proposal evaluation determines those proposals that merit selection for contract award. Unclassified white papers and proposals are typically collected via the DHS S&T BAA secure Web site, while classified white papers and proposals must be submitted via proper classified courier or proper classified mailing procedures as described in the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NSPOM).

Federal agencies with an annual extramural research and development (R&D) budget exceeding \$100 million are required to participate in the SBIR Program. Similarly, Federal agencies with an extramural R&D budget