

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Ramada Inn, 1775 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Contact Person: Luigi Giacometti, PhD., Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5208, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1246.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: March 12, 1999.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Holiday Inn, 5520 Wisconsin Ave., Palladian West, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

Contact Person: Cheri Wiggs, PhD., Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5194, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1261.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: March 12, 1999.

Time: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call.)

Contact Person: Paul K. Strudler, PhD., Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4100, MSC 7804, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1716.

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Dated: February 26, 1999.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Prospective Grant of Exclusive License: Conjugate Vaccines To Prevent Disease Caused by Nontypeable *Haemophilus influenzae* and *Moraxella catarrhalis*, Particularly Otitis Media

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, Public Health Service, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is notice, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(I), that the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services, is contemplating the grant of a exclusive license worldwide to practice the invention embodied in: U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/842,409, entitled "Conjugate Vaccine for Nontypeable *H. influenzae*", filed April 23, 1997 and U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial Number 60/071,483, entitled "Lipooligosaccharide-Based Vaccine for Prevention of *Moraxella (Branhamella) catarrhalis* Infections in Humans", filed January 13, 1998, to American Home Products Corporation through its Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratory Division, Wyeth-leaderle Vaccines business unit, having a place of business in Madison, NJ. The patent rights in these inventions have been assigned to the United States of America.

DATES: Only written comments and/or application for a license which are received by the NIH Office of Technology Transfer on or before May 4, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Requests for a copy of the patent applications, inquiries, comments and other materials relating to the contemplated license should be directed to: Robert Benson, Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health, 6011 Executive Boulevard, Suite 325, Rockville, MD 20852-3804; Telephone: (301) 496-7056, ext. 267; Facsimile: (301) 402-0220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The two patent applications describe conjugates of detoxified lipooligosaccharide (dLOS), isolated from the cellular membrane of either nontypeable *H. influenzae* or *M. catarrhalis*, and a carrier protein, exemplified by tetanus toxoid. These conjugates have been shown to raise bactericidal antibodies against the bacterial strain from which the dLOS was isolated and are also cross-reactive with different strains.

The prospective co-exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply

with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within 60 days from the date of this published Notice, NIH receives written evidence and argument that establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

The field of use may be limited to the development of vaccines for the prevention or treatment of diseases in humans caused by infection with nontypeable *H. influenzae* and *M. catarrhalis*.

Properly filed competing applications for a license filed in response to this notice will be treated as objections to the contemplated license. Comments and objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available for public inspection, and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

Dated: February 22, 1999.

Jack Spiegel,

Director, Division of Technology Development and Transfer, Office of Technology Transfer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4445-N-05]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments due date: May 4, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marc Harris, Office of Multifamily Housing, telephone number (202) 708-

0216, (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (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; (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 the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Request for Proposals—Contact Administrators for Project-Based Section 8 Housing Assistance Contracts.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502-0528.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This information collection is essential to the implementation of improved administration of over 20,000 Section 8 contracts. These contracts represent an investment of over \$6 billion to support the physical and financial well-being of affordable housing on a nationwide basis.

Agency Form Numbers, if applicable: None.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: The estimated number of respondents is 250, the total annual responses are 370, and the total annual hours of response are estimated at 5600.

Status of the proposed information collection: New collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: February 20, 1999.

William C. Appgar,

Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-443-N-02]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Emergency Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments Due Date: March 12, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within seven (7) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-0050. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has submitted to OMB, for emergency processing, an information collection package with respect to energy consumption and excessive energy costs in public housing. The information request will meet a request from U.S. Senate Commission on Appropriations Report 105-216.

Reports are required to Congress by April 19 and June 1, 1999. Emergency processing is required to provide sufficient time to submit the survey and to collect and process the incoming

data. Emergency processing is also required to provide sufficient time to complete the reports and to have adequate time for review.

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (2) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (3) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Energy Conservation Reporting Requirement.

OMB Control Number, if applicable:

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The data to be collected will be used to respond to a congressional request and will be used to complete reports on energy consumption and excessive energy costs in public housing.

Agency form numbers, if applicable:

Members of affected public: Public Housing Authorities.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: It will take approximately 3 hours per housing development and a total of approximately 39,729 labor hours for all public housing authorities to respond.

Status of the proposed information collection: Awaiting OMB approval.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: February 26, 1999.

David S. Cristy,

Director, IRM Policy and Management Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4445-N-06]

Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below