

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be captioned "Children's Sleepwear, Collection of Information" and mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, D.C. 20207, or delivered to that office, room 502, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814. Written comments may also be sent to the Office of the Secretary by facsimile at (301) 504-0127 or by e-mail at cpssc-os@cpsc.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information about the proposed extension of approval of the collection of information, or to obtain a copy of 16 CFR Parts 1615 and 1616, call or write Linda L. Glatz, Office of Planning and Evaluation, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, D.C. 20207; telephone (301) 504-0416, extension 2226.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **A. The Standards**

Children's sleepwear in sizes 0 through 6X manufactured for sale in or imported into the United States is subject to the Standard for the Flammability of Children's Sleepwear: Sizes 0 through 6X (16 CFR Part 1615). Children's sleepwear in sizes 7 through 14 is subject to the Standard for the Flammability of Children's Sleepwear: Sizes 7 through 14 (16 CFR Part 1616). The children's sleepwear flammability standards require that fabrics, seams, and trim used in children's sleepwear in sizes 0 through 14 must self-extinguish when exposed to a small open-flame ignition source. The children's sleepwear standards and implementing regulations also require manufacturers and importers of children's sleepwear in sizes 0 through 14 to perform testing of products and to maintain records of the results of that testing. 16 CFR Part 1615, Subpart B; 16 CFR Part 1616; Subpart B. The Commission uses the information compiled and maintained by manufacturers and importers of children's sleepwear to help protect the public from risks of death or burn injuries associated with children's sleepwear. More specifically, the Commission reviews this information to determine whether the products produced and imported by the firms comply with the applicable standard. Additionally, the Commission uses this information to arrange corrective actions if items of children's sleepwear fail to comply with the applicable standard in a manner that creates a substantial risk of injury to the public.

OMB approved the collection of information in the children's sleepwear standards and implementing regulations

under control number 3041-0027. OMB's most recent extension of approval will expire on December 31, 1999. The Commission proposes to request an extension of approval without change for the collection of information in the children's sleepwear standards and implementing regulations.

##### **B. Estimated Burden**

The Commission staff estimates that about 63 firms manufacture or import products subject to the two children's sleepwear flammability standards. The Commission staff estimates that these standards and implementing regulations will impose an average annual burden of about 1,650 hours on each of those firms. That burden will result from conducting the testing required by the standards and maintaining records of the results of that testing required by the implementing regulations. The total annual burden imposed by the standards and regulations on all manufacturers and importers of children's sleepwear will be about 103,950 hours. The hourly wage for the testing and recordkeeping required by the standards and regulations is about \$30, for an annual cost to the industry of about \$3,118,500.

The Commission will expend approximately three months of professional staff time and travel costs annually for reviewing and evaluating the records maintained by manufacturers and importers of children's sleepwear subject to the standards. The annual cost to the Federal government of the collection of information in the sleepwear standards and implementing regulations is estimated to be \$17,000.

##### **C. Request for Comments**

The Commission solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed collection of information. The Commission specifically solicits information relevant to the following topics:

- Whether the collection of information described above is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions, including whether the information would have practical utility;
- Whether the estimated burden of the proposed collection of information is accurate;
- Whether the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected could be enhanced; and
- Whether the burden imposed by the collection of information could be minimized by use of automated, electronic or other technological

collection techniques, or other forms of information technology.

Dated: September 29, 1999.

**Sadye E. Dunn,**

*Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.*

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

##### **Office of the Secretary**

##### **U.S. Strategic Command Strategic Advisory Group**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense, USSTRATCOM.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) will meet in closed session on October 21 and 22, 1999. The mission of the SAG is to provide timely advice on scientific, technical, and policy-related issues to the Commander in Chief, U.S. Strategic Command, during the development of the nation's strategic war plans. At this meeting, the SAG will discuss strategic issues that relate to the development of the Single Integrated Operational Plan (SIOP). Full development of the topics will require discussion of information classified TOP SECRET in accordance with Executive Order 12958, April 17, 1995. Access to this information must be strictly limited to personnel having requisite security clearances and specific need-to know. Unauthorized disclosure of the information to be discussed at the SAG meeting could have exceptionally grave impact upon national defense.

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, (5 U.S.C. App. 2), it has been determined that this SAG meeting concerns matters listed in 5 USC 552b(c) and that, accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: September 30, 1999.

**L.M. Bynum,**

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

##### **Department of the Navy**

##### **Correction to Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Invention for Licensing**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DOD.

**ACTION:** Announcement of correction.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Navy published in the **Federal Register**, September 22, 1999 (Volume 64, Number 183) Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Invention for Licensing. The invention U.S. Patent Number 5,652,713 entitled *Discriminate Reduction Data Processing* is assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and is available for licensing by the Department of the Navy. This announcement corrects the invention patent number.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests for copies of the patent cited should be directed to Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division, Code 0117, 9500 MacArthur Blvd, West Bethesda, MD 20817-5700.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Dick Bloomquist, Director, Technology Transfer, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division, Code 0117, 9500 MacArthur Blvd., West Bethesda, MD 20817-5700, telephone (301) 227-4299.

Dated: September 28, 1999.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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### Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education—Special Focus Competition (Invitational Priority: Institutional Cooperation and Student Mobility in Postsecondary Education Among the United States, Canada and Mexico); Notice Inviting Application for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

**Purpose of Program:** To provide grants or enter into cooperative agreements to improve postsecondary education opportunities by focusing on problem areas or improvement approaches in postsecondary education.

**Eligible Applicants:** Institutions of higher education or combinations of institutions and other public and private nonprofit educational institutions and agencies.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** November 19, 1999.

**Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:** January 19, 2000.

**Applications Available:** October 6, 1999.

**Available Funds:** \$250,000 for FY 2000. The estimated amount of funds

available for awards is based on the Administration's request for this program for FY 2000. The actual level of funding, if any, is contingent upon final congressional action.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$20,000–25,000 for FY 2000. \$185,000–\$205,000 for four-year duration of grant.

**Estimated Average Size of Awards:** \$25,000 for FY 2000. \$200,000 for four-year duration of grant.

**Estimated Number of Awards:** 10.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project Period:** Up to 48 months.

**Applicable Regulations:** The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR Parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This program is a Special Focus Competition to support projects addressing a particular problem area or improvement approach in postsecondary education. The competition also includes an invitational priority to encourage proposals designed to support the formation of educational consortia of American, Canadian and Mexican institutions to encourage cooperation in the coordination of curricula, the exchange of students and the opening of educational opportunities throughout North America. The invitational priority is issued in cooperation with Canada and Mexico. Canadian and Mexican institutions participating in any consortium proposal responding to the invitational priority may apply, respectively, to Human Resources Development Canada and the Mexican Department of Public Education for additional funding under separate Canadian and Mexican competitions.

### Priority

#### Invitational Priority

The Secretary is particularly interested in applications that meet the following invitational priority. However, an application that meets this invitational priority does not receive competitive or absolute preference over other applications (34 CFR 75.105(c)(1)).

**Invitational Priority:** Projects that support consortia of institutions of higher education that promote institutional cooperation and student mobility among the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

#### Methods for Applying Selection Criteria

The Secretary gives equal weight to the listed criteria. Within each of the criteria, the Secretary gives equal weight to each of the factors.

### Selection Criteria

In evaluating applications for grants under this program competition, the Secretary uses the following selection criteria chosen from those listed in 34 CFR 75.210.

(1) The significance of the proposed project, as determined by—

(a) The extent to which the proposed project involves the development or demonstration of promising new strategies that build on, or are alternatives to, existing strategies;

(b) The likely utility of the products (such as information, materials, processes, or techniques) that will result from the proposed project, including the potential for their being used in a variety of other settings; and

(c) The importance or magnitude of the results or outcomes likely to be attained by the proposed project, especially improvements in teaching and student achievement.

(2) The quality of the design of the proposed project, as determined by—

(a) The extent to which the goals, objectives, and outcomes to be achieved by the proposed project are clearly specified and measurable; and

(b) The extent to which the design of the proposed project is appropriate to, and will successfully address, the needs of the target population or other identified needs.

(3) The adequacy of resources, as determined by—

(a) The extent to which the costs are reasonable in relation to the objectives, design, and potential significance of the proposed project;

(b) The potential for continued support of the project after FIPSE/HDRC/SEP funding ends, including, as appropriate, the demonstrated commitment of appropriate entities to such support; and

(c) The relevance and demonstrated commitment of each partner in the proposed project to the implementation and success of the project.

(4) The quality of the project personnel, as determined by—

(a) the qualifications, including training and experience, of key project personnel; and

(b) the extent to which the applicant encourages applications for employment from persons who are members that have traditionally been under-represented based on race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability.

**For Applications or Information Contact:** Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE), U.S. Department of Education, 7th & D Streets, SW., Room 3100, ROB-3,