

photogrammetry, topography, remote sensing, geophysical (gravity, seismological, geomagnetic) measurements, tide and current observations, and data processing. Although this policy is limited to NOAA's hydrographic services, it is NOAA's intent to advance contracting and adhere to the principles of this policy to meet all of its geospatial, surveying and mapping requirements.

NOAA will procure hydrographic data and services from qualified sources in accordance with its legal authorities, the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) and the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 541 *et seq.*), including Title IX where appropriate. Commonly known as the "Brooks Act" for Architect/Engineering (A/E) contracts, Title IX is a contract mechanism for use in situations where the professional nature of the services to be procured requires that potential contractors have specialized technical expertise.

NOAA may determine that a particular surveying or mapping activity is inherently governmental. NOAA surveying and mapping activities considered inherently governmental in nature may include services necessary to: (1) Monitor the quality of NOAA products; (2) promulgate and promote national and international technical standards and specifications; (3) conduct basic research and development and ensure the rapid transfer to the private sector of the derived technology; (4) maintain the Federal geodetic and navigational databases necessary to support safe and efficient marine operations; (5) support coastal stewardship ecosystem applications; and (6) support Maritime Domain Awareness and Homeland Security preparation and response activities. To carry out the above activities, and to adequately monitor contracted services, NOAA will maintain a core capability of field and office expertise.

NOAA may task qualified commercial sources with surveying and mapping services in any part of the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone for any NOAA mission-related purpose, irrespective of pre-defined priority categories such as those documented in the NOAA Hydrographic Surveying Priorities. The government's interests and responsibilities for surveying and mapping vary broadly, and experience has shown that maintaining flexibility is key to responding to the nation's changing needs for updated surveying and mapping data.

Ancillary Statements and Actions

As recommended by the Panel, NOAA will continue to utilize a mix of in-house and private-sector resources to accomplish its hydrographic services missions. Costs and productivity will be closely monitored within each category (*i.e.*, public and private) to ensure best use of hydrographic services resources. NOAA will also seek to determine the optimal resource allocation between in-house and private-sector resources based on the strength of the governmental interest, the total requirement for mapping and charting services, and the particular operational capabilities of either government or private-sector resources that may make one more suitable.

NOAA will continue to examine ways to improve its contracting process, such as methods for minimizing the turnover frequency of contracting personnel and for reducing the length of time required to award contracts and task orders. NOAA will maintain its offer of debriefings to successful and unsuccessful hydrographic services contractors after final selection has taken place. The purpose of these debriefings is to assist contractors with identifying significant weaknesses or deficiencies in their submissions. NOAA is also exploring the establishment of an Ocean and Coastal Mapping Training Center. The Training Center was initially conceived as a curriculum to support NOAA's in-house hydrographic surveying training requirements. But NOAA now recognizes value in broadening the Center's scope to include training for NOAA and private sector contractors in techniques, standards, and technologies that support NOAA's many shoreline, coastal and ocean mapping activities. This concept builds on NOAA's annual Hydrographic Training and Field Procedures Workshops currently held for NOAA personnel and its hydrographic services contractors to train and trade valuable lessons learned from surveying experience. Such training would be beneficial to current or prospective NOAA contractors seeking to strengthen their proposal submissions.

To view the 1996 National Ocean Service Contracting Policy; the Brooks Act, Public Law 92-582 or the 1998 and 2002 Hydrographic Services Improvement Acts (which authorize NOAA Navigation Services programs), visit <http://nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/ocs/hsrp/archive/library.htm>.

Dated: August 9, 2006.

Captain Steven Barnum,

NOAA, Director, Office of Coast Survey, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Technology Administration

Technology Administration Performance Review Board Membership

The Technology Administration Performance Review Board (TA PRB) reviews performance appraisals, agreements, and recommended actions pertaining to employees in the Senior Executive Service and reviews performance-related pay increases for ST-3104 employees. The Board makes recommendations to the appropriate appointing authority concerning such matters so as to ensure the fair and equitable treatment of these individuals.

This notice lists the membership of the TA PRB and supersedes the list published in **Federal Register** Vol. 70, No. 158, pages 48374-48375, on August 17, 2005.

Bruce Borzino (C), Deputy Director, National Technical Information Service, Springfield, VA 22161, Appointment Expires: 12/31/2008, General.

Alan Cookson (C) (Alternate), Deputy Director, Electronics and Electrical Engineering Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, Appointment Expires: 12/31/07, Limited.

Paul Doremus (C), Director of Strategic Planning, Program Planning and Integration, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Appointment Expires: 12/31/07, Limited.

Cita Furlani (C), Director, Information Technology Laboratory, National Institute of Standards & Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, Appointment Expires: 12/31/07, Limited.

Patrick Gallagher (C) (Alternate), Director, NIST Center for Neutron Research, Materials Science and Engineering Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, Appointment Expires: 12/31/07, Limited.

Howard Harary (C), Deputy Director, Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory, National Institute of

Standards and Technology,
Gaithersburg, MD 20899,
Appointment Expires: 12/31/07,
Limited.

Patricia Sefcik (C), Senior Director to the
Deputy Assistant Secretary for
Manufacturing, Manufacturing and
Services, International Trade
Administration, Washington, DC
20230, Appointment Expires: 12/31/
07, General.

James E. Hill (C), Director, Building and
Fire Research Laboratory, National
Institute of Standards and
Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899,
Appointment Expires: 12/31/2008,
General.

Dated: August 7, 2006.

Robert Cresanti,

*Under Secretary for Technology, Technology
Administration, Department of Commerce.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Uniform Formulary Beneficiary Advisory Panel

AGENCY: Department of Defense,
Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health
Affairs).

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a
meeting of the Uniform Formulary
Beneficiary Advisory Panel. The panel
will review and comment on
recommendations made to the Director,
TRICARE Management Activity, by the
Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee
regarding the Uniform Formulary. The
meeting will be open to the public.
Seating is limited and will be provided
only to the first 220 people signing in.
All persons must sign in legibly. Notice
of this meeting is required under the
Federal Advisory Committee Act.

DATES: Thursday, September 21, 2006,
from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Naval Heritage Center
Theater, 701 Pennsylvania Avenue,
NW., Washington, DC 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr.
Rich Martel, TRICARE Management
Activity, Pharmaceutical Operations
Directorate, Beneficiary Advisory Panel,
Suite 810, 5111 Leesburg Pike, Falls
Church, VA 22041, telephone 703-681-
2890, ext. 6718, fax 703-681-1940, or e-
mail at baprequests@tma.osd.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The
Uniform Formulary Beneficiary
Advisory Panel will only review and
comment on the development of the

Uniform Formulary as reflected in the
recommendations DOD Pharmacy and
Therapeutics (P&T) Committee coming
out of that body's meeting in August
2006. The P&T Committee information
and subject matter concerning drug
classes reviewed for that meeting are
available at <http://www.pec.ha.osd.mil>.
Any private citizen is permitted to file
a written statement with the advisory
panel. Statements must be submitted
electronically to
baprequests@tma.osd.mil no later than
September 14, 2006. Any private citizen
is permitted to speak at the Beneficiary
Advisory Panel meeting, time
permitting. One hour will be reserved
for public comments, and speaking
times will be assigned only to the first
twelve citizens to sign up at the
meeting, on a first-come, first-served
basis. The amount of time allocated to
a speaker will not exceed five minutes.

Dated: August 8, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison
Officer, Department of Defense.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[DOD-2006-OS-0179]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to alter a system of
records.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Secretary of
Defense is altering a system of records
to its existing inventory of record
systems subject to the Privacy Act of
1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.

DATES: The changes will be effective on
September 14, 2006 unless comments
are received that would result in a
contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the OSD
Privacy Act Coordinator, Records
Management Section, Washington
Headquarters Services, 1155 Defense
Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms.
Juanita Irvin at (703) 696-4940.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office
of the Secretary of Defense notices for
systems of records subject to the Privacy
Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended,
have been published in the **Federal
Register** and are available from the
address above.

The Proposed systems reports, as
required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) of the

Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, were
submitted August 3, 2006, to the House
Committee on Government Reform, the
Senate Committee on Homeland
Security and Governmental Affairs, and
the Office of Management and Budget
(OMB) pursuant to paragraph 4c of
Appendix I to OMB Circular No. A-130,
'Federal Agency Responsibilities for
Maintaining Records About
Individuals,' dated February 8, 1996
(February 20, 1996, 61 FR 6427).

Dated: August 8, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison
Officer, Department of Defense.*

DODDS 21

SYSTEM NAME:

Department of Defense Dependents
Schools (DODDS) Grievance Records
(May 14, 1997, 62 FR 26483).

CHANGES:

SYSTEM IDENTIFIER:

Delete entry and replace with
"DoDEA 21."

SYSTEM NAME:

Delete entry and replace with
"Department of Defense Education
Activity (DODEA) Grievance Records."

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Delete name and replace with
"Department of Defense Education
Activity."

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CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Delete entry and replace with "The
system contains records relating to
grievances and arbitrations filed by
DoDEA employees with the Agency,
with the Office of Special Counsel, the
Office of Personnel Management, or the
Federal Labor Relations Authority.
Includes records relating to the identity
of third parties, pleadings, statements of
witnesses, investigative reports,
interviews, hearings, hearing examiner's
findings and recommendations, copies
of decisions relating to the grievance,
and other relevant correspondence and
exhibits."

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Delete entry and replace with "5
U.S.C. 1221, 2302, and 7532; 10 U.S.C.
2164; 20 U.S.C. 901-907; 20 U.S.C. 931;
E.O. 9397 (SSN); 5 CFR 771; DoD
Directive 1342.2, Department of Defense
Education Activity; and DoDEA 5771.9,
Administrative Grievance Procedures."

PURPOSE(S):

Delete first paragraph and replace
with "To maintain records for use by