

comments and other materials submitted to WPAC.

### Public Participation

**WPAC meetings.** WPAC meetings are open to the public. Any individual attending meetings at the U.S. Department of Labor must enter the building at the Visitors' Entrance, 3rd and C Streets NW., and pass through Building Security. Attendees must have valid photo identification to enter the building. Please contact Ms. Seeman for additional information about building security measures for attending the WPAC meeting.

Individuals needing special accommodations to attend the WPAC meeting should contact Ms. Chatmon.

**Submission of written comments, requests to speak and speaker presentations.** Interested parties must submit written comments, requests to speak at the WPAC meeting and speaker presentations by January 18, 2013, using one of the methods listed in the ADDRESSES section. All submissions must include the Agency name and docket number for this **Federal Register** notice (Docket No. OSHA-2012-0020). OSHA will provide submissions to WPAC members prior to the meeting.

Because of security-related procedures, submissions by regular mail may result in significant delay in receipt. Please contact the OSHA Docket Office for information about security procedures for submitting materials by hand delivery, express delivery, messenger or courier service.

Requests to speak must state the amount of time requested to speak, the interest the individual represents (e.g., organization name), if any, and a brief outline of the presentation. Electronic speaker presentations (e.g., PowerPoint) must be compatible with PowerPoint 2010 and other Microsoft 2010 formats. Requests to address WPAC may be granted at the discretion of the WPAC chair and as time permits.

**Public Docket of the WPAC meeting.** OSHA puts comments, requests to speak and speaker presentations, including any personal information you provide, in the public record of this WPAC meeting without change and those documents may be available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Therefore, OSHA cautions individuals about submitting certain personal information such as social security numbers and birthdates.

OSHA also puts the meeting transcripts and minutes and other documents from the WPAC meeting in the public record of the WPAC meeting. Although all submissions are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index,

some documents (e.g., copyrighted materials) are not publicly available to read or download through that Web site. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and copying in the OSHA Docket Office.

To read or download documents in the public record of the WPAC meeting, go to Docket No. OSHA-2012-0020 at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Please contact the OSHA Docket Office for information about materials not available through that Web site and for assistance in using the Internet to locate submissions and other documents in the public record.

Electronic copies of this **Federal Register** notice are available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. This notice, as well as news releases and other relevant information, also is available at the OSHA Web site at <http://www.osha.gov>.

### Authority and Signature

David Michaels, Ph.D., MPH, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice under the authority granted by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), its implementing regulations (41 CFR Part 102-3), chapter 1600 of Department of Labor Management Series 3 (Mar. 17, 2008), Secretary of Labor's Order 1-2012 (Jan. 18, 2012), 77 FR 3912 (Jan. 25, 2012), and the Secretary of Labor's authority to administer the whistleblower provisions found in Section 11(c) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, 29 U.S.C. 660(c); the Surface Transportation Assistance Act, 49 U.S.C. 31105; the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act, 15 U.S.C. 2651; the International Safe Container Act, 46 U.S.C. 80507; the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-9(i); the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, 33 U.S.C. 1367; the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. 2622; the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. 6971; the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7622; the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9610; the Energy Reorganization Act, 42 U.S.C. 5851; the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century, 49 U.S.C. 42121; the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, 18 U.S.C. 1514A; the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act, 49 U.S.C. 60129; the Federal Railroad Safety Act, 49 U.S.C. 20109; the National Transit Systems Security Act, 6 U.S.C. 1142; the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act, 15 U.S.C. 2087; Section 1558 of the Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148; the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010, 12 U.S.C.A. 5567; the

Seaman's Protection Act, 46 U.S.C. 2114; Section 402 of the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act, Public Law 111-353; and Section 31307 of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act, Public Law 112-141.

Signed at Washington, DC, on December 19, 2012.

**David Michaels,**

*Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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## NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

### Information Security Oversight Office; State, Local, Tribal, and Private Sector Policy Advisory Committee (SLTPS-PAC)

**AGENCY:** National Archives and Records Administration, Information Security Oversight Office.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app 2) and implementing regulation 41 CFR 101-6, announcement is made for the committee meeting of the State, Local, Tribal, and Private Sector Policy Advisory Committee. To discuss the matters relating to the Classified National Security Information Program for State, Local, Tribal, and Private Sector Entities.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on January 30, 2013, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

**ADDRESSES:** National Archives and Records Administration, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Jefferson Room, Washington, DC 20408.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert J. Skwirot, Senior Program Analyst, ISOO, National Archives Building, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20408, on (202) 357-5398, or at [robert.skwirot@nara.gov](mailto:robert.skwirot@nara.gov). Contact ISOO at [ISOO@nara.gov](mailto:ISOO@nara.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting will be open to the public. However, due to space limitations and access procedures, the name and telephone number of individuals planning to attend must be submitted to the Information Security Oversight Office (ISOO) no later than Friday, January 25, 2013. ISOO will provide additional instructions for gaining access to the location of the meeting.

Dated: December 17, 2012.

**Patrice Murray,**

*Acting Committee Management Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 USC U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), and as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the National Science Foundation invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this information collection.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received by February 25, 2013 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 295, Arlington, VA 22230, or by email to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov).

#### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR

**COMMENTS:** Contact Suzanne Plimpton, the NSF Reports Clearance Officer, phone (703) 292-7556, or send email to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24

hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** Generic Clearance of the Science Resources Statistics Survey Improvement Projects.

**OMB Approval Number:** 3145-0174.

**Expiration Date of Approval:** May 31, 2013.

**Abstract.** Established within the National Science Foundation by the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010 § 505, codified in the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended, the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES) serves as a central Federal clearinghouse for the collection, interpretation, analysis, and dissemination of objective data on science, engineering, technology, and research and development for use by practitioners, researchers, policymakers, and the public. NCSES conducts about a dozen nationally-representative surveys to obtain the data for these purposes. The Generic Clearance will be used to ensure that the highest quality data are obtained from these surveys. State of the art methodology will be used to develop, evaluate, and test questionnaires and survey concepts as well as to improve survey methodology. This may include field or pilot tests of questions for future large scale surveys, as needed.

**Expected Respondents.** The respondents will be from industry, academia, nonprofit organizations, members of the public, and State, local, and Federal governments. Respondents will be either individuals or institutions, depending upon the survey under investigation. Qualitative procedures will generally be conducted in person or over the phone, but quantitative procedures may be conducted using mail, Web, email, or

phone modes, depending on the topic under investigation. Up to 11,060 respondents will be contacted across all survey improvement projects. No respondent will be contacted more than twice in one year under this generic clearance. Every effort will be made to use technology to limit the burden on respondents from small entities.

Both qualitative and quantitative methods will be used to improve NCSES's current data collection instruments and processes and to reduce respondent burden, as well as to develop new surveys. Qualitative methods include, but are not limited to, expert review; exploratory, cognitive, and usability interviews; focus groups; and respondent debriefings. Cognitive and usability interviews may include the use of scenarios, paraphrasing, card sorts, vignette classifications, and rating tasks. Quantitative methods include, but are not limited to, telephone surveys, behavior coding, split panel tests, and field tests.

**Use of the Information.** The purpose of these studies is to use the latest and most appropriate methodology to improve NCSES surveys and evaluate new data collection efforts. Methodological findings may be presented externally in technical papers at conferences, published in the proceedings of conferences, or in journals. Improved NCSES surveys will help policy makers in decisions on research and development funding, graduate education, and the scientific and technical workforce, as well as contributing to reduced survey costs.

**Burden on the Public.** NCSES estimates that a total reporting and recordkeeping burden of 14,280 hours will result from activities to improve its surveys. The calculation is shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1—POTENTIAL SURVEYS FOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, WITH THE NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS AND BURDEN HOURS

Survey name	Number of respondents [1]	Hours
Graduate Student Survey .....	[2]1,500	2,500
SESTAT Surveys .....	4,700	3,350
Early Career Doctorate Project .....	1,000	800
New and Redesigned R&D Surveys .....	400	.....
Higher Education R&D .....	60	1,200
Government R&D .....	100	180
Nonprofit R&D .....	50	300
Business R&D .....	150	150
Microbusiness R&D .....	.....	450
Survey of Scientific & Engineering Facilities .....	300	300
Public Understanding of S&E Surveys .....	200	50
Survey of Earned Doctorates .....	1,000	800
Additional surveys not specified .....	1,600	4,200
Total .....	11,060	14,280

1 Number of respondents listed for any individual survey may represent several methodological improvement projects.