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Name of Committee: National Science Advisory Board for Biosecurity.

Date: March 30, 2006.

Time: 8 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Agenda: Presentations and discussions regarding: (1) Criteria for identifying dual use research; (2) a code of conduct for the life sciences; (3) principles and tools for the responsible communication of dual use research; (4) international perspectives on dual use research; (5) synthetic genomics; (6) public comments; and (7) other business of the Board.

Place: The National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 6C-Room 10, Bethesda, Maryland.

Contact Person: Allison Chamberlain, NSABB Program Assistant, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402-3090.

This meeting will also be Webcast. The draft meeting agenda and other information about NSABB, including information about access to the Webcast and pre-registration, will be available at <http://www.biosecurityboard.gov/meetings.asp>.

Any member of the public interested in presenting oral comments at the meeting may notify the Contact Person listed on this notice at least 10 days in advance of the meeting. Interested individuals and representatives of an organization may submit a letter of intent, a brief description of the organization represented and a short description of the oral presentation. Only one representative of an organization may be allowed to present oral comments. Both printed and electronic copies are requested for the record. In addition, any interested person may file written comments with the committee. All written comments must be received by March 17, 2005 and should be sent via email to nsabb@od.nih.gov with "NSABB Public Comment" as the subject line or by regular mail to 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892, Attention Allison Chamberlain. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and, when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Dated: March 1, 2006.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting 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 Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, March 6, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to March 7, 2006, 1 p.m., One Washington Circle, One Washington Circle, NW., Washington, DC, 20037 which was published in the **Federal Register** on February 15, 2006, 71 FR 7985-7987.

The meeting will be held one day only on March 6, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. The meeting location remains the same. The meeting is closed to the public.

Dated: February 28, 2006.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting 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 Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, March 7, 2006, 11 a.m. to March 7, 2006, 12 p.m., National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD, 20892 which was published in the **Federal Register** on February 23, 2006, 71 FR 9363-9367.

The meeting will be held on March 21, 2006, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. The meeting location remains the same. The meeting is public.

Dated: February 28, 2006.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting 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 Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, March 22, 2006, 3 p.m. to March 22, 2006, 5 p.m., National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 which was published in the **Federal Register** on February 23, 2006, 71 FR 9362-9363.

The starting time of the meeting on March 22, 2006 has been changed to 2 p.m. until adjournment. The meeting date and location remain the same. The meeting is closed to the public.

Dated: March 1, 2006.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2004-19621]

Dry Cargo Residue Discharges in the Great Lakes; Preparation of Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of intent; notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard announces its intent to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) in connection with the development of proposed new regulations on the incidental discharge of dry cargo residue in the Great Lakes. Publication of this notice begins a public scoping process that will help determine the scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS and identify the significant environmental issues related to this EIS (40 CFR 1506.6). This notice also solicits public participation in the scoping process, and announces the availability of a study on current dry cargo residue discharge practices in the Great Lakes.

DATES: Comments and related material must reach the Docket Management Facility on or before July 31, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Coast Guard docket number USCG-2004-19621 to the Docket Management Facility at the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Address docket submissions for USCG–2004–19621 to: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001.

The Docket Management Facility accepts hand-delivered submissions, and makes docket contents available for public inspection and copying at this address, in room PL–401, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Facility's telephone is 202–366–9329, its fax is 202–493–2251, and its Web site for electronic submissions or for electronic access to docket contents is <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions regarding this notice, contact LCDR Mary Sohlberg, U.S. Coast Guard, fax 202–267–4690 or e-mail msohlberg@comdt.uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–493–0402.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

We request public comments or other relevant information on environmental issues related to all aspects of incidental dry cargo residue discharges on the Great Lakes. You can submit comments to the Docket Management Facility during the public comment period (see **DATES**). We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

Submissions should include:

- Docket number USCG–2004–19621.
- Your name and address.
- Your reasons for making each comment or for bringing information to our attention.

Submit comments or material using only one of the following methods:

- Electronic submission to DMS, <http://dms.dot.gov>.
- Fax, mail, or hand delivery to the Docket Management Facility (see **ADDRESSES**). Faxed or hand delivered submissions must be unbound, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, and suitable for copying and electronic scanning. If you mail your submission and want to know when it reaches the Facility, include a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope.

Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the DMS Web site (<http://dms.dot.gov>), and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read

the Privacy Act notice that is available on the DMS Web site, or the Department of Transportation Privacy Act Statement that appeared in the **Federal Register** on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477).

You may view docket submissions at the Docket Management Facility (see **ADDRESSES**), or electronically on the DMS Web site.

Background

The Coast Guard has previously published **Federal Register** documents concerning regulation of incidental dry cargo residue on the Great Lakes: 69 FR 1994 (January 13, 2004), 69 FR 57711 (September 27, 2004), 69 FR 77147 (December 27, 2004; corrected at 70 FR 1400, January 7, 2005).

The historical practice of bulk dry cargo vessels on the Great Lakes is to wash non-hazardous and non-toxic cargo residues (“dry cargo residue” or “cargo sweepings”) overboard. These non-hazardous non-toxic discharges eliminate unsafe conditions onboard the vessel, without requiring alternatives that could involve time delays or added cost. Current environmental statutes, if strictly enforced, would prohibit these incidental discharges. However, under an “interim enforcement policy” (IEP) first adopted by the Coast Guard’s Ninth District in 1993, incidental discharges of dry cargo residue are permitted in defined portions of the Great Lakes. Congress has authorized continuation of the IEP until September 30, 2008, unless the Coast Guard acts sooner to replace the IEP with new regulations.

Dry cargo residue on the Great Lakes generally includes, but is not limited to, limestone and other clean stone, iron ore such as taconite, coal and salt, and cement. The IEP applies only to such cargo residues, and does not alter the strict prohibition of any discharge of oily waste, untreated sewage, plastics, dunnage, or other things commonly understood to be “garbage,” from vessels on the Great Lakes. Nor does the IEP permit the discharge of any substance known to be toxic or hazardous, such as nickel, copper, zinc, or lead. The IEP permits incidental dry cargo residue discharges only in areas that are relatively far from shore, and that meet depth restrictions and other restrictions near special protection areas.

Our December 27, 2004 **Federal Register** document (69 FR 77147; corrected at 70 FR 1400, January 7, 2005) announced that we would conduct a study of current dry cargo residue discharge practices in the Great Lakes, and requested information from the public that could help us conduct that study. The study is now complete

and is available for public review either electronically or at the Docket Management Facility (see **ADDRESSES** and *Request for Comments*).

Proposed Action and Alternatives

The proposed action is to adopt the IEP as the basis for permanent regulations, adding new requirements for standardized record-keeping by vessels that discharge dry cargo residue. The discharges that require logging, the format for log entries, the retention time of the logs, and the physical location of the log would be specified. The alternatives to the proposed action include:

- Allowing the IEP to terminate on September 30, 2008, after which the Coast Guard would enforce all laws applicable to the discharge of dry cargo residues into the Great Lakes. For the purposes of our environmental review this represents the “no-action” alternative;
- Adopting the IEP as the basis for permanent regulations, without significant change;
- Adopting the IEP as the basis for permanent regulations, possibly with significant changes (other than record-keeping) designed to reduce the environmental impact. Possible changes would be specified and could include adoption of best management practices, quantity limits, cargo type limits, or additional restrictions on discharge locations;
- Developing a Coast Guard permit system for vessels discharging incidental dry cargo residue; and
- Regulating shoreside facilities to control or eliminate dry cargo spillage during vessel loading or unloading.

Scoping Process

The scoping process (40 CFR 1501.7) is an early and open process for determining the scope of issues to be addressed in an EIS and for identifying the significant issues related to the proposed action. The scoping process begins with publication of this notice and ends when the Coast Guard has completed the following actions:

- Invites the participation of Federal, State, and local agencies, any affected Indian tribe, the applicant, and other interested persons;
- Determines the actions, alternatives, and impacts described in 40 CFR 1508.25;
- Identifies and eliminates from detailed study those issues that are not significant or that are previously documented and can be incorporated by reference;
- Allocates responsibility for preparing EIS components;

- Indicates any related environmental assessments or environmental impact statements that are not part of the EIS;

- Identifies other relevant environmental review and consultation requirements;

- Indicates the relationship between timing of the environmental review and other aspects of the application process; and

- At its discretion, exercises the options provided in 40 CFR 1501.7(b).

The Coast Guard will publish a **Federal Register** Notice to announce a public meeting and will include the time, location, and venue for the meeting as part of the scoping process under NEPA for this action. The Coast Guard intends to announce these details after gauging the level of public interest in response to the current notice. Once the scoping process is complete, the Coast Guard will prepare a draft EIS, and we will publish a **Federal Register** notice announcing its public availability. If you wish to be mailed or e-mailed the public meeting notice or the draft EIS notice of availability, please contact the person named in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. We will provide the public with an opportunity to review and comment on the draft EIS. After the Coast Guard considers those comments, we will prepare the final EIS and similarly announce its availability and issue a Record of Decision 30 days later.

Dated: March 6, 2006.

Howard L. Hime,

Acting Director of Standards, Assistant Commandant for Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2006-24105]

Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of open teleconference meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a teleconference of the Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC). The purpose of the teleconference is for CTAC to approve comments to be submitted on the Coast Guard's Notification of Arrival in U.S. Ports and Certain Dangerous Cargo interim rule. Less than 15 days notice of this teleconference is given in order to complete timely input on critical issues

being studied by the Coast Guard before the end of the interim rule's comment period on March 16, 2006.

DATES: The CTAC teleconference will take place on Monday, March 13, 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, EST. The teleconference may close early if all business is finished. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 10, 2006. Requests to have a copy of your material distributed to each member of the Committee should reach the Coast Guard on or before March 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Members of the public may participate in this teleconference by dialing 1-202-366-3920, passcode: 5543. Public participation is welcomed; however, the number of teleconference lines is limited and available on a first come, first-served basis. Members of the public may also participate by coming to Room 3319, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. We request that members of the public who plan to attend this meeting, notify LT Barker or LT Stockwell at 202-267-1217 so proper security arrangements may be made. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Commander Robert J. Hennessy, Executive Director of CTAC, Commandant (G-PSO-3), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001 or e-mail: CTAC@comdt.uscg.mil. This notice is available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Commander Robert J. Hennessy, Executive Director of CTAC, or Ms. Sara Ju, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone 202-267-1217, fax 202-267-4570.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of these meetings is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2. The purpose of the teleconference is for CTAC to approve comments to be submitted on the Coast Guard's Notification of Arrival in U.S. Ports and Certain Dangerous Cargo interim rule (70 FR 74663, December 16, 2005). Less than 15 days notice of this teleconference is given in order to complete timely input on critical issues being studied by the Coast Guard before the end of the interim rule's comment period on March 16, 2006.

Agenda for Teleconference

- (1) Introductions and opening remarks.
- (2) Discussion and vote on comments drafted by Hazardous Cargo Transportation Security Subcommittee

for submission to the U.S. Coast Guard concerning the Notification of Arrival in U.S. Ports and Certain Dangerous Cargo **Federal Register** document (70 FR 74663, December 16, 2005).

(3) Discussion and vote on Best Practices developed by the Outreach Subcommittee concerning the vapor emissions from chemical barges.

(4) Public comment period.

Procedural

The teleconference is open to the public. Please note that the teleconference may close early if all business is finished. The Chair of CTAC shall conduct the teleconference in a way that will, in their judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Members of the public will be heard during the public comment period. The Chair will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments must be submitted to the Executive Director (see **ADDRESSES**) on or before March 10, 2006.

The teleconference will be recorded and a summary will be available for public review upon request approximately 30 days following the teleconference meeting.

Dated: March 3, 2006.

Howard L. Hime,

Acting Director of Standards, Assistant Commandant for Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: 30-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er), or Special Immigrant, Form I-360.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on December 14, 2005, at 70 FR 74028. The notice allowed for a 60-day public comment period. No comments