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Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of data collection plans and instruments, call the CDC Reports Clearance Officer on 404–639–5960 or send comments to CDC Assistant Reports Clearance Officer, 1600 Clifton Road, MS D–74, Atlanta, GA 30333 or send an e-mail to omb@cdc.gov.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Proposed Project

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES)—(0920–0237)—Revision—National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

Section 306 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act (42 U.S.C. 242k), as amended, authorizes that the Secretary of Health and Human Services (DHHS), acting through NCHS, shall collect statistics on the extent and nature of illness and disability; environmental, social and other health hazards; and determinants of health of the population of the United States. This three-year clearance request includes the data collection in 2009 and 2010 and data planning and testing activities for 2011–2012 data collection.

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) was conducted periodically between 1970 and 1994, and continuously since 1999 by the National Center for Health Statistics, CDC. Almost 19,000 persons are screened, with about 5,000 participants interviewed and examined annually. Participation in NHANES is completely voluntary and confidential.

NHANES programs produce descriptive statistics which measure the health and nutrition status of the general population. Through the use of questionnaires, physical examinations, and laboratory tests. NHANES studies the relationship between diet, nutrition and health in a representative sample of the United States, NHANES monitors the prevalence of chronic conditions and risk factors related to health such as arthritis, asthma, osteoporosis, infectious diseases, diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, obesity, smoking, drug and alcohol use, physical activity, environmental exposures, and diet. NHANES data are used to produce national reference data on height, weight, and nutrient levels in the blood. Results from more recent NHANES can be compared to findings reported from previous surveys to monitor changes in the health of the U.S. population over time. NHANES continues to collect genetic material on a national probability sample for future genetic research aimed at understanding disease susceptibility in the U.S. population.

NHANES data users include the U.S. Congress; the World Health Organization; numerous Federal agencies such as the National Institutes of Health, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the United States Department of Agriculture; private groups such as the American Heart Association; schools of public health; private businesses; individual practitioners; and administrators. NHANES data are used to establish, monitor, and/or evaluate recommended dietary allowances, food fortification policies, environmental exposures, immunization guidelines and health education and disease prevention programs. This submission requests approval for three years.

There is no cost to respondents other than their time.

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Study Team for the Los Alamos Historical Document Retrieval and Assessment (LAHDRA) Project

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) announces the following meeting.

Name: Public Meeting of the Study Team for the Los Alamos Historical Document Retrieval and Assessment Project.

Time and Date: 5 p.m.–7 p.m., (Mountain Time), Wednesday, July 23, 2008.

Place: Cities of Gold Hotel, Nambe Conference Room, Cities of Gold Road exit in Pojoaque (15 miles north of Santa Fe) on U.S. 84/285, 10–A Cities of Gold Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87506, telephone (505) 455–0515, fax (505) 455–3060.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 200 people.

Background: Under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in December 1990 with the Department of Energy (DOE) and replaced by MOUs signed in 1996 and 2000, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was given the responsibility and resources for conducting analytic epidemiologic investigations of residents of communities in the vicinity of DOE facilities, workers at DOE facilities, and other persons potentially exposed to radiation or to potential hazards from non-nuclear energy production use. HHS delegated program responsibility to CDC.

In addition, a memo was signed in October 1990 and renewed in November 1992, 1996, and in 2000, between the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and DOE. The MOU delineates the responsibilities and procedures for ATSDR’s public health activities at DOE sites required under sections 104, 105, 107, and 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or a Superfund). These activities include health consultations and public health assessments at DOE sites listed on, or proposed for, the Superfund National Priorities List and at sites that are the subject of petitions from the public; and other health-related activities such as epidemiologic studies, health surveillance, exposure and disease registries, health education, substance-specific applied research, emergency response, and preparation of toxicological profiles.

Purpose: This study group is charged with locating, evaluating, cataloging, and copying documents that contain information about historical chemical or radionuclide releases from facilities at the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) since its inception. The purpose of this meeting is to review the goals, methods, and schedule of the project, discuss progress to date, provide a forum for community interaction, and serve as a vehicle for members of the public to express concerns and provide advice to CDC.

Matters To Be Discussed: Agenda items include a presentation from the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) and its contractor regarding the status of project work and a summary of recent activities, such as reviews of documents held by LANL, groups and divisions and information gathering that has targeted key information gaps that remain. Activities that will be undertaken to complete work by the LAHDRA contractor team within 2009 will be described. There will also be a photographic display and brief presentation by Peter Malgren of Chimayo, New Mexico, regarding his “Los Alamos Revisited” oral history project. A representative of the Radiation Exposure Screening and Education Program (RESEP) has been invited to review the goals and activities of that program. Administered by the Federal Health Resources and Services Administration, RESEP helps individuals who live (or lived) in areas where U.S. nuclear weapons testing occurred. There will be time for public input, questions, and comments. All agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

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Closed-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus—NIOSH Docket # 039; Supplied Air Respirators—NIOSH Docket # 083; Reevaluation of NIOSH Limitations on and Precaution for Safe Use of Positive-Pressure Closed-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus—NIOSH Docket # 123; CBRN APR Mechanical Connector Design—NIOSH Docket # 139

AGENCY: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of the following public meeting to discuss current respirator standards development projects for Closed-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus; Supplied Air Respirators; Reevaluation of NIOSH Limitations on and Precaution for Safe Use of Positive-Pressure Closed-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus; and the Mechanical Connector Design Used in the Chemical Biological Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) Air-Purifying Respirator (APR).

Authority: Occupational Safety and Health Act, 29 U.S.C. 651 et seq. There will be an opportunity for discussion following NIOSH’s presentations and an accompanying poster session.

Public Meeting Time and Date: 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. EDT, August 20, 2008. On-site registration will be held from 7:45 a.m. until 8:30 a.m.

Place: Sheraton Station Square, 300 West Station Square Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219–1122. Interested parties should make hotel reservations directly with the Sheraton Station Square, telephone (412) 803–3665, before the cut-off date of July 22, 2008. You must reference the NIOSH/NPPTL public meeting to receive the special group rate of $108.00 per night that has