packages, which are the completed assessment for all potential Coast Guard personnel, are destroyed four years after the packages have been submitted to USCG Command for consideration. (AUTH: NC1–26–76–2, Item 587).

SYSTEM MANAGER AND ADDRESS:

Commander, United States Coast Guard Personnel Command, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20539– 0001.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking notification of and access to any record contained in this system of records, or seeking to contest its content, may submit a request in writing to USCG, Commandant (CG–611), 2100 2nd St., SW., Attn: FOIA Coordinator, Washington, DC 20593–0001.

When seeking records about yourself from this system of records or any other USCG system of records, your request must conform with the Privacy Act regulations set forth in 6 CFR part 5. You must first verify your identity, meaning that you must provide your full name, current address, and date and place of birth. You must sign your request, and your signature must either be notarized or submitted under 28 U.S.C. 1746, a law that permits statements to be made under penalty of perjury as a substitute for notarization. While no specific form is required, you may obtain forms for this purpose from the Director, Disclosure and FOIA, http://www.dhs.gov or 1-866-431-0486. In addition you should provide the following:

• An explanation of why you believe the Department would have information on you,

• Specify when you believe the records would have been created, and

• If your request is seeking records pertaining to another living individual, you must include a statement from that individual certifying his/her agreement for you to access his/her records.

Without this bulleted information the USCG will not be able to conduct an effective search, and your request may be denied due to lack of specificity or lack of compliance with applicable regulations.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

See "Notification procedure" above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

See "Notification procedure" above.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

USCG recruiting personnel and administrative staff. Medical personnel or private physicians providing consultations or patient history.

Character and employee references. Educational institutions, staff and faculty members. Selective Service System. Local, State, and Federal law enforcement agencies. Prior or current military service records. Members of Congress. Other officials and employees of the Coast Guard, Department of Defense and components thereof, in the performance of their duties and as specified by current instructions and regulations promulgated by competent authority. Recruiting officials and individuals being recruited or who have been recruited by the United States Coast Guard, United States Marine Corps, United States Navy, and the United States Navy Bureau of Medicine.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

Dated: December 10, 2008.

Hugo Teufel III,

Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security. [FR Doc. E8–29845 Filed 12–18–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4410-10–P

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DHS-2008-0156]

Privacy Act of 1974; U.S. Customs and Border Protection–014 Regulatory Audit Archive System (RAAS) System of Records

AGENCY: Privacy Office; DHS. **ACTION:** Notice of Privacy Act system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 and as part of the Department of Homeland Security's ongoing effort to review and update legacy system of record notices, the Department of Homeland Security/U.S. **Customs and Border Protection** proposes to update and reissue the following legacy record system, Treasury/CS.206 Regulatory Audits of Customhouse Brokers, October 18, 2001, as a U.S. Customs and Border Protection system of records notice titled, U.S. **Customs and Border Protection** Regulatory Audits of Customs Brokers. Categories of individuals, categories of records, and the routine uses of this legacy system of records notice have been reviewed and updated to better reflect the Department of Homeland Security/U.S. Customs and Border Protection Regulatory Audit Archive System (RAAS). Additionally, the Department of Homeland Security is issuing a notice of proposed rulemaking

concurrent with this system of records notice in the **Federal Register**. The exemptions for the legacy system of records notices will continue to be applicable until the final rule for this system of records notice is completed. This reissued system will be included in the Department of Homeland Security's inventory of record systems.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before January 20, 2009. ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number DHS– 2008–0156 by one of the following methods:

• Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: http:// www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• *Fax:* 1–866–466–5370.

• *Mail:* Hugo Teufel III, Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528.

• *Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without change to *http:// www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information provided.

• *Docket:* For access to the docket, to read background documents, or comments received go to *http://www.regulations.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general questions please contact: Laurence E. Castelli (202–325–0280), Chief, Privacy Act Policy and Procedures Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Office of International Trade, Regulations & Rulings, Mint Annex, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20229. For privacy issues contact: Hugo Teufel III (703–235–0780), Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Pursuant to the savings clause in the Homeland Security Act of 2002, Public Law 107–296, Section 1512, 116 Stat. 2310 (November 25, 2002), the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) have relied on preexisting Privacy Act system of records notices for the collection and maintenance of records that concern records on regulatory audits of customs brokers.

As part of its efforts to streamline and consolidate its record systems, DHS is updating and reissuing a DHS/CBP system of records under the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) that deals with regulatory audits of customs brokers. These audits are part of CBP's continuing oversight of Customs Brokers, who are licensed by CBP, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1641, to act as agents for importers in the entry of merchandise and payment of duties and fees. This SORN also covers information maintained with respect to other persons, engaged in international trade, who are the subject of a regulatory audit or are identified in and related to the scope of an audit report.

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 and as part of DHS's ongoing effort to review and update legacy system of record notices, DHS proposes to update and reissue the following legacy record system, Treasury/CS.206 Regulatory Audits of Customhouse Brokers (66 FR 52984 October 18, 2001), as a DHS/CBP system of records notice titled, U.S. Čustoms and Border Protection—014 Regulatory Audit Archive System (RAAS). Categories of individuals and categories of records have been reviewed, and the routine uses of this legacy system of records notice have been updated to better reflect the DHS/ CBP—014 Regulatory Audit Archive System (RAAS) record system. Additionally, DHS is issuing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) concurrent with this system of records notice (SORN) in the Federal Register. The exemptions for the legacy SORN will continue to be applicable until the final rule for this SORN is completed. This reissued system will be included in DHS's inventory of record systems.

II. Privacy Act

The Privacy Act embodies fair information principles in a statutory framework governing the means by which the U.S. Government collects, maintains, uses, and disseminates individuals' records. The Privacy Act applies to information that is maintained in a "system of records." A ''system of records'' is a group of any records under the control of an agency for which information is retrieved by the name of an individual or by some identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual. In the Privacy Act, an individual is defined to encompass U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents. As a matter of policy, DHS extends administrative Privacy Act protections to all individuals where systems of records maintain information on U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents, and visitors. Individuals may request access to their own records that are maintained in a system of records in the possession or under the control of

DHS by complying with DHS Privacy Act regulations, 6 CFR part 5.

The Privacy Act requires that each agency publish in the **Federal Register** a description denoting the type and character of each system of records in order to make agency recordkeeping practices transparent, to notify individuals about the use of their records, and to assist the individual to more easily find files within the agency. Below is a description of the Regulatory Audits of Customs Brokers System of Records.

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(r), DHS has provided a report of this revised system of records to the Office of Management and Budget and to the Congress.

System of Records:

DHS/CBP-014.

SYSTEM NAME:

U.S. Customs and Border Protection— 014 Regulatory Audit Archive System (RAAS).

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Records are maintained at the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Headquarters in Washington, DC and in field offices.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Categories of individuals covered by this system include persons licensed as a customs broker, employees of a customs broker, clients, and other persons engaged in international trade who are identified in an audit report. Additionally, individuals who have been given access to RAAS for authorized purposes.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Categories of records in this system include:

• Individual's name, including names of officers of customs broker firms or other business entities engaged in international trade and identified as a subject of an audit or related to the scope of an audit;

• Audit reports of subject accounts and records;

• Correspondence with the subject of the audits and such audit reports;

• Congressional inquiries concerning customs brokers or other audit subjects and disposition made of such inquiries; and

• License and permit numbers and dates issued and district or port covered.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

5 U.S.C. 301; the Federal Records Act, 44 U.S.C. 3101; 19 U.S.C. 1508, 1509, 1641; and 19 CFR parts 111, 143, and 163.

PURPOSE(S):

The purpose of this system is to collect and maintain records on the regulatory audits of customs brokers. These audits are part of CBP's continuing oversight of Customs Brokers, who are licensed by CBP, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1641, to act as agents for importers in the entry of merchandise and payment of duties and fees. The system also maintains the records of audits conducted on other persons or business entities engaged in international trade.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act, all or a portion of the records of information contained in this system may be disclosed outside DHS as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

A. To the Department of Justice or other Federal agency conducting litigation or in proceedings before any court, adjudicative or administrative body, when it is necessary to the litigation and one of the following is a party to the litigation or has an interest in such litigation:

DHS or any component thereof;
Any employee of DHS or any

component in his/her official capacity; 3. Any employee of DHS or any

component in his/her individual capacity where DOJ or DHS has agreed to represent the employee; or

4. The U.S. or any agency thereof, is a party to the litigation or has an interest in such litigation, and DHS or CBP determines that the records are both relevant and necessary to the litigation and the use of such records is compatible with the purpose for which DHS or CBP collected the records.

B. To a congressional office in response to an inquiry from that congressional office made at the request of the individual to whom the record pertains.

C. To the National Archives and Records Administration or other Federal government agencies pursuant to records management inspections being conducted under the authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906.

D. To an agency, organization, or individual for the purpose of performing audit or oversight operations as authorized by law, but only such information as is necessary and relevant to such audit or oversight function.

E. To appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when:

1. DHS or CBP suspects or has confirmed that the security or confidentiality of information in the system of records has been compromised;

2. DHS or CBP has determined that as a result of the suspected or confirmed compromise there is a risk of harm to economic or property interests, identity theft or fraud, or harm to the security or integrity of this system or other systems or programs (whether maintained by DHS, CBP, or another agency or entity) or harm to the individual who relies upon the compromised information; and

³. The disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and persons is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with DHS or CBP's efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed compromise and prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm.

F. To contractors and their agents, grantees, experts, consultants, and others performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement, or other assignment for DHS or CBP, when necessary to accomplish an agency function related to this system of records. Individuals provided information under this routine use are subject to the same Privacy Act requirements and limitations on disclosure as are applicable to DHS/CBP officers and employees.

G. To appropriate Federal, State, local, tribal, or foreign governmental agencies or multilateral governmental organizations responsible for investigating or prosecuting the violations of, or for enforcing or implementing, a statute, rule, regulation, order, license, or treaty where DHS determines that the information would assist in the enforcement of civil or criminal laws.

H. To an appropriate Federal, State, local, tribal, foreign, or international agency, if the information is relevant and necessary to a requesting agency's decision concerning the hiring or retention of an individual, or issuance of a security clearance, license, contract, grant, or other benefit, or if the information is relevant and necessary to a DHS decision concerning the hiring or retention of an employee, the issuance of a security clearance, the reporting of an investigation of an employee, the letting of a contract, or the issuance of a license, grant or other benefit and disclosure is appropriate to the proper performance of the official duties of the person making the request.

I. To a court, magistrate, or administrative tribunal in the course of presenting evidence, including disclosures to opposing counsel or witnesses in the course of civil discovery, litigation, or settlement negotiations or in connection with criminal law proceedings or in response to a subpoena from a court of competent jurisdiction.

J. To third parties during the course of a law enforcement investigation to the extent necessary to obtain information pertinent to the investigation, provided disclosure is appropriate to the proper performance of the official duties of the officer making the disclosure.

K. To the news media and the public, with the approval of the Chief Privacy Officer in consultation with counsel, when there exists a legitimate public interest in the disclosure of the information or when disclosure is necessary to preserve confidence in the integrity of DHS or is necessary to demonstrate the accountability of DHS's officers, employees, or individuals covered by the system, except to the extent it is determined that release of the specific information in the context of a particular case would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:

None.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Records in this system are stored electronically or on paper in secure facilities in a locked drawer behind a locked door. The records are stored on magnetic disc, tape, digital media, and CD–ROM.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Individual's name or audit report file number.

SAFEGUARDS:

Records in this system are safeguarded in accordance with applicable rules and policies, including all applicable DHS automated systems security and access policies. Strict controls have been imposed to minimize the risk of compromising the information that is being stored. Access to this computer system containing the records in this system is limited to those individuals who have a need to know the information for the performance of their official duties and who have appropriate clearances or permissions.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Regulatory Audit files are retained for 10 years, and then placed in General Service Administration long-term archival storage.

SYSTEM MANAGER AND ADDRESS:

Executive Director, Office of Regulatory Audit, Customs and Border Protection Headquarters, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Mint Annex, Washington, DC 20229.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking notification of and access to any record contained in this system of records, or seeking to contest its content, may submit a request in writing to CBP's FOIA Officer, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Mint Annex, Washington, DC 20229.

When seeking records about vourself from this system of records or any other CBP system of records your request must conform with the Privacy Act regulations set forth in 6 CFR Part 5. You must first verify your identity, meaning that you must provide your full name, current address and date and place of birth. You must sign your request, and your signature must either be notarized or submitted under 28 U.S.C. 1746, a law that permits statements to be made under penalty of perjury as a substitute for notarization. While no specific form is required, you may obtain forms for this purpose from the Director, Disclosure and FOIA, *http://www.dhs.gov* or 1–866–431–0486. In addition you should provide the following:

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• Specify when you believe the records would have been created,

• If your request is seeking records pertaining to another living individual, you must include a statement from that individual certifying his/her agreement for you to access his/her records.

Without this bulleted information CBP may not be able to conduct an effective search, and your request may be denied due to lack of specificity or lack of compliance with applicable regulations.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

See "Notification procedure" above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

See "Notification procedure" above.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

The information contained in these files originates in connection with customs broker audits and audits of other persons engaged in international commerce conducted by the regulatory audit staffs. The audits may be supplemented with information furnished by the Office of the Chief Counsel or its field offices, Office of International Trade, Office of Regulations and Rulings, and the Office of Investigations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. These audits include examinations of brokers, importers, and other persons, who are engaged in international trade, business records, including data maintained in support of client customs business.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

This system is exempt from 5 U.S.C. 552a(c)(3), (d), (e)(1), (e)(4)(G), (e)(4)(H), (e)(4)(I), and (f) of the Privacy Act pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2).

Dated: December 10, 2008.

Hugo Teufel III,

Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Privacy Office, DHS. **ACTION:** Notice of removal of two Privacy Act systems of record notices.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, the Department of Homeland Security is giving notice that it will remove two systems of record notices from its inventory of record systems because the Department no longer requires use of these systems, originally transferred to the Department of Homeland Security from the Department of Energy upon creation in January 2003. These two obsolete systems are: DOE–81, Counterintelligence Administrative and Analytical Records and Reports and DOE–84, Counterintelligence

Investigative Records (September 1, 1989). Removing these system of records from the Department's inventory will in no way impact the use of these system of records by the Department of Energy. **DATES:** *Effective Date:* January 20, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hugo Teufel III, Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528, by telephone (703) 235–0780 or facsimile 1–866–466– 5370.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act of

1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, and as part of its ongoing integration and management efforts, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is removing two Department of Homeland Security (DHS) system of records notices from its inventory of record systems.

DHS inherited these record systems upon its creation in January of 2003. Upon review of its inventory of record systems, DHS has determined it no longer needs these two systems and is retiring the following:

DHS is retiring use of DOE–81 (59 FR 46528 September 1, 1989) Counterintelligence Administrative and Analytical Records and Reports. This system was originally established in order to maintain records concerning foreign intelligence threats; administrative inquiries and investigations; reports on foreign contacts and travel; classified and sensitive programs, personnel, information and activities; briefings and debriefings; intelligence on hostile and foreign intelligence training.

DHS is retiring use of DOE–84 (59 FR 46530 September 1, 1989) Counterintelligence Investigative Records. This system was originally established in order to maintain records on joint law enforcement counterintelligence-related investigations with the FBI or other Federal law enforcement agencies in order to detect and prevent foreign intelligence threats directed at or involving classified and sensitive information, programs, facilities, personnel, and other Departmental resources.

Eliminating these systems of record notices will have no adverse impacts on individuals, but will promote the overall streamlining and management of DHS Privacy Act record systems. Further, removing these systems of records from the Department's inventory will in no way impact the use of these systems of records by the Department of Energy.

Dated: December 10, 2008.

Hugo Teufel III,

Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security. [FR Doc. E8–29847 Filed 12–18–08; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4410–10–P

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DHS-2008-0145]

Privacy Act of 1974; United States Coast Guard—020 Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Program System of Records

AGENCY: Privacy Office; DHS. **ACTION:** Notice of Privacy Act system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 and as part of the Department of Homeland Security's ongoing effort to review and update legacy system of records notices, the Department of Homeland Security is giving notice that it proposes to update and reissue the following legacy record system, DOT/CG 638 Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program Record System as a Department of Homeland Security/ United States Coast Guard system of records notice titled, DHS/USCG-020 Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Program. This system of records notice will allow the USCG to collect and maintain the USCG's Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Program records. Categories of individuals, categories of records, and the routine uses of this legacy system of records notice have been reviewed and updated to better reflect the Department of Homeland Security/United States Coast Guard's—020 Šubstance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Program record system. This new system will be included in the Department of Homeland Security's inventory of record systems.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before January 20, 2009. This new system will be effective January 20, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number DHS–2008–0145 by one of the following methods:

• Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• Fax: 1-866-466-5370.

• *Mail:* Hugo Teufel III, Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528.

• *Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without change and may be read at *http://www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information provided.