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Please direct any response, if by messenger or hand delivery, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002, to the attention of Rebekah Bina, Attorney Advisor, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, Room 4-C330, with a copy to Vickie Robinson, Assistant Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, Room 4-C330, Federal Communications Commission. If sent by commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail), the response should be sent to the Federal Communications Commission, 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743. If sent by first-class, Express, or Priority mail, the response should be sent to Rebekah Bina, Attorney Advisor, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Room 4-C330, Washington, DC 20554, with a copy to Vickie Robinson, Assistant Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Room 4-C330, Washington, DC 20554. You shall also transmit a copy of the response via e-mail to [Rebekah.Bina@fcc.gov](mailto:Rebekah.Bina@fcc.gov) and to [Vickie.Robinson@fcc.gov](mailto:Vickie.Robinson@fcc.gov).

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Bina via mail, by telephone at (202) 418-7931 or by e-mail at [Rebekah.Bina@fcc.gov](mailto:Rebekah.Bina@fcc.gov). If Ms. Bina is unavailable, you may contact Ms. Vickie Robinson, Assistant Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, by telephone at (202) 418-1420 and by e-

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Sincerely yours,  
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Justice (via mail)

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notices

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

The Open Meeting Scheduled For Thursday, March 12, 2009, Was Cancelled.

**DATE AND TIME:** Wednesday, March 18, 2009, 11 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC (ninth floor)

**STATUS:** This meeting will be closed to the public.

#### ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g, 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C.

Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration.

Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, March 19, 2009, at 10 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC (ninth floor).

**STATUS:** This meeting will be open to the public.

#### ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Correction and Approval of Minutes.  
*Draft Advisory Opinion 2009-01:*

Socialist Workers Party by counsel, Michael Krinsky, Esq., and Lindsey Frank, Esq.

*Draft Advisory Opinion 2009-04:* Al Franken for U.S. Senate and the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, by Marc E. Elias, Esq.

2009 Legislative Recommendations.  
Electronic Distribution of FEC Record.  
Management and Administrative Matters.

Individuals who plan to attend and require special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Mary Dove, Commission Secretary, at (202) 694-1040, at least 72 hours prior to the hearing date.

#### PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

Judith Ingram, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

Mary W. Dove,

Secretary of the Commission.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary

#### Secretary's Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society; Request for Public Comment

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary's Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society (SACGHS) is requesting public comments on a Draft Report to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, "Public Consultation Draft Report on Gene Patents and Licensing Practices and Their Impact on Patient Access to Genetic Tests" (available at [http://oba.od.nih.gov/SACGHS/sacghs\\_public\\_comments.html](http://oba.od.nih.gov/SACGHS/sacghs_public_comments.html)).

A copy can also be obtained from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Biotechnology Activities (OBA) by e-mailing [faunteroytd@od.nih.gov](mailto:faunteroytd@od.nih.gov) or calling 301-496-9838.

**DATES:** The public is asked to submit comments by May 15, 2009, in order to be considered by SACGHS in preparing its final report.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on the draft report should be addressed to Steven Teutsch, M.D., M.P.H., Chair, SACGHS, and transmitted via an e-mail to [greninger@od.nih.gov](mailto:greninger@od.nih.gov). Comments may also be submitted by mailing or faxing a copy to NIH OBA at 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892. NIH OBA's fax number is 301-496-9838.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Darren Greninger, J.D., NIH OBA, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-496-9838, [greninger@od.nih.gov](mailto:greninger@od.nih.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) established SACGHS to serve as a public forum for deliberations on the broad range of human health and societal issues raised by the development and use of genetic and genomic technologies and, as warranted, to provide advice on these issues. For more information about the Committee, please visit its Web site, [http://oba.od.nih.gov/sacghs/sacghs\\_home.html](http://oba.od.nih.gov/sacghs/sacghs_home.html).

<sup>21</sup> See *id.*, 18 FCC Rcd at 9226, ¶ 70; 47 CFR 54.8(e)(5).

<sup>22</sup> 47 CFR 54.8(e)(5). The Commission may reverse a debarment, or may limit the scope or period of debarment upon a finding of extraordinary circumstances, following the filing of a petition by you or an interested party or upon motion by the Commission. 47 CFR 54.8(f).

<sup>23</sup> *Second Report and Order*, 18 FCC Rcd at 9225, ¶ 67; 47 CFR 54.8(d), 54.8(g).

<sup>24</sup> 47 CFR 54.8(g).

The public consultation draft report is the result of work that began in 2004, when SACGHS identified the effect of gene patents and licensing practices on patient and clinical access to genetic tests as a high-priority issue that warranted further study. SACGHS activities in this area were deferred until the completion of a National Academy of Sciences (NAS) study on the granting and licensing of intellectual property rights to genetic and proteomic discoveries and the effects of these practices on research and innovation. In the fall of 2005, NAS released that study's report, *Reaping the Benefits of Genomic and Proteomic Research: Intellectual Property Rights, Innovation, and Public Health*. After reviewing the report, SACGHS decided that more information was needed regarding the effects of gene patents and licenses on patient and clinical access to genetic tests. In 2006, a task force was formed by SACGHS to guide its work in this area. The task force commissioned case studies, compiled relevant information through a review of the literature, and consulted with national and international experts and stakeholders.

At the outset of its work, the task force decided to limit the scope of its inquiry to those genetic tests, whether used for diagnostic, predictive, or other clinical purposes, that rely on analysis of nucleic acid molecules to determine human genotype. As such, the kinds of patent claims that the Committee evaluated were nucleic acid-related patent claims associated with genetic tests for human genotype. This report does not address protein-based genetic tests or protein-related patent claims associated with tests designed to infer genotype.

The public consultation draft report presents the Committee's preliminary findings. The draft report also includes policy options. These options do not necessarily correlate with any particular preliminary finding, but rather provide a framework within which to gather public input. The Committee developed these options to present a broad range of possible actions, but has not yet decided which, if any, of these policy options to support.

Before SACGHS can develop specific recommendations for the Secretary, the Committee needs public input on several issues, including whether changes are needed in patenting and licensing practices that affect genetic testing, and the appropriateness, feasibility, and implications of the report's policy options. Members of the public are also invited to recommend specific policy options not included in the presented options and any needed

modifications to existing options. SACGHS also encourages the public to provide any additional information and data regarding the positive or negative effects gene patenting or licensing practices have had, are having, or may have on patient and clinical access to genetic tests.

The Committee will carefully consider public input in finalizing its report and developing any recommendations to the Secretary.

Comments received by May 15, 2009, will be considered by SACGHS in preparing its final report. The public comments and revised report will be discussed during a future SACGHS meeting.

Comments will be available for public inspection at the NIH Office of Biotechnology Activities Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Dated: March 11, 2009.

**Sarah Carr,**

*Executive Secretary, SACGHS.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

#### Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH or Advisory Board), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), CDC announces the following meeting of the aforementioned committee:

*Time and Date:* 11 a.m.–5 p.m., Thursday, March 31, 2009.

*Place:* Audio Conference Call via FTS Conferencing. The USA toll free dial in number is 1-866-659-0537 with a pass code of 9933701.

*Status:* Open to the public, but without a public oral comment period.

*Background:* The Advisory Board was established under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 to advise the President on a variety of policy and technical functions required to implement and effectively manage the new compensation program. Key functions of the Advisory Board include providing advice on the development of probability of causation guidelines which have been promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as a final rule, advice on methods of dose reconstruction which have also been promulgated by HHS as a final rule, advice on the scientific validity and quality of dose

estimation and reconstruction efforts being performed for purposes of the compensation program, and advice on petitions to add classes of workers to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC).

In December 2000, the President delegated responsibility for funding, staffing, and operating the Advisory Board to HHS, which subsequently delegated this authority to the CDC. NIOSH implements this responsibility for CDC. The charter was issued on August 3, 2001, renewed at appropriate intervals, most recently, August 3, 2007, and will expire on August 3, 2009.

*Purpose:* This Advisory Board is charged with (a) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the development of guidelines under Executive Order 13179; (b) providing advice to the Secretary, HHS, on the scientific validity and quality of dose reconstruction efforts performed for this program; and (c) upon request by the Secretary, HHS, advising the Secretary on whether there is a class of employees at any Department of Energy facility who were exposed to radiation but for whom it is not feasible to estimate their radiation dose, and on whether there is reasonable likelihood that such radiation doses may have endangered the health of members of this class.

*Matters To Be Discussed:* The agenda for the conference call includes: Dose Reconstruction Interview Scripts and Procedures; Special Exposure Cohort Petition Status Updates; Board Subcommittee and Work Group Updates; Update on Board Technical Support Contractor Activities; Future Plans.

Due to administrative matters, this **Federal Register** Notice is being published on less than 15 calendar days notice to the public (41 CFR 102-3.150(b)).

The agenda is subject to change as priorities dictate.

Because there is no public comment period, written comments may be submitted. Any written comments received will be included in the official record of the meeting and should be submitted to the contact person below in advance of the meeting.

*Contact Person for More Information:* Theodore M. Katz, M.P.A., Executive Secretary, NIOSH, CDC, 1600 Clifton Rd. NE., Mailstop: E-20, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone (513) 533-6800, Toll Free 1-800-CDC-INFO, E-mail [ocas@cdc.gov](mailto:ocas@cdc.gov).

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: March 12, 2009.

**Elaine L. Baker,**

*Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

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