

conformity with the limits on phthalates in children's toys and child care articles. The notice of requirements described the test methods that third party conformity assessment bodies should use when testing for phthalates. In brief, the test methods identified in the notice of requirements are:

- CPSC-CH-C1001-09.3, Standard Operating Procedure for Determination of Phthalates, issued on April 1, 2010. This test method can be downloaded from the CPSC Web site at: <http://www.cpsc.gov/about/cpsia/CPSC-CH-C1001-09.3.pdf>; and/or

- GB/T 22048-2008, Toys and Children's Products—Determination of Phthalate Plasticizers in Polyvinyl Chloride Plastic, issued on June 16, 2008. Information about this method is available at: http://220.194.5.109/stdinfo/servlet/com.sac.sacQuery.GjbcxDetailServlet?std_code=GB/T%2022048-2008.

Thus, third party conformity assessment bodies use either of the two test methods identified immediately above when they test children's toys and child care articles for compliance with the phthalates limits.

II. What do we hope the symposium will accomplish?

The CPSIA's phthalate restrictions, coupled with the testing and certification requirements in the CPSA, have created certain challenges for manufacturers, retailers, and third party conformity assessment bodies (more commonly known as "testing laboratories"). Therefore, we intend to hold the first CPSC Symposium on Phthalates Screening and Testing Methods on March 1, 2012, at our National Product Testing and Evaluation Center, located at 5 Research Place, Rockville, Maryland 20850. The symposium will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Our goal is to review available and emerging technologies for detecting phthalates and to stimulate discussion of technological needs to improve testing methods. We intend to ensure that the advantages and limitations of screening and testing methods are discussed. We plan to use a combination of technical presentations and discussion panels to explore these issues at the symposium.

III. What topics will be addressed at the symposium?

We plan to cover the following topics:

- Methods for increased quality control, from the manufacturing process to testing a final product;
- Available chemical analysis instrumentation and techniques,

including infrared spectroscopy (FTIR), Thermal Desorption, Direct Analysis Real Time Mass Spectrometry (DART-MS), and Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS);

- Advantages and limitations of available technology; and
- Emerging organic chemical detection and quantification technologies.

We will prepare a detailed agenda based on scheduled presenters and expected attendance, and we will make the agenda available on our Web site at: www.cpsc.gov/about/cpsia/phthalatetestagenda.pdf.

IV. Details Regarding the Symposium

A. When and where will the symposium be held?

The symposium will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on March 1, 2012, at the CPSC's National Product Testing and Evaluation Center, 5 Research Place, Rockville, Maryland 20850.

B. How do you register for the symposium?

If you would like to make a presentation at the symposium or to be considered as a panel member for a specific topic or topics, you should register by February 9, 2012. (See the **ADDRESSES** portion of this document for the Web site link and instructions on where to register.) We also ask that you indicate whether you would like to serve on a panel or make a presentation, and indicate the topic(s) for which you wish to be considered. We ask that you limit the number of topics to no more than three. We will select panelists and individuals who will make presentations at the symposium, based on considerations such as the individual's familiarity or expertise with the topic to be discussed; the practical utility of the information to be presented (such as a discussion of specific methods), and the individual's viewpoint or ability to represent certain interests (such as large manufacturers, small manufacturers, consumer organizations).

In addition, please inform Dr. Matthew Dreyfus, mdreyfus@cpsc.gov, (301) 987-2094 of any special equipment needs required to make a presentation. While an effort will be made to accommodate all persons who wish to make a presentation, the time allotted for presentations will depend on the number of persons who wish to speak on a given topic and the agenda. We recommend that individuals and organizations with common interests consolidate or coordinate their presentations and request time for a

joint presentation. If you wish to make a presentation and want to make copies of your presentation or other handouts available, you should bring copies to the symposium. We will notify those who are selected to make a presentation or participate in a session or panel at least two weeks before the symposium. Selections will be made in attempt to ensure that a wide variety of interests are represented.

If you do not wish to make a presentation, we ask that you register by February 24, 2012. Please be aware that seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are unable to attend the symposium, it will be available through a webcast, but you may not be able to interact with the panels and presenters.

If you need special accommodations because of disability, please contact Dr. Matthew Dreyfus, mdreyfus@cpsc.gov, (301) 987-2094 at least 10 days before the symposium.

In addition, we encourage written or electronic comments to the docket. Written or electronic comments will be accepted until February 27, 2012. Please note that all comments should be restricted to the topics covered by the symposium.

C. What happens if few people register for the symposium?

If fewer than 15 individuals register for the symposium, we may cancel the symposium. If we decide to cancel the symposium, we will post a cancellation notice by February 23, 2012, on the Web page for the symposium insert web address and send an email to all registered participants who provide their email address when they register.

Dated: January 25, 2012.

Todd A. Stevenson,
Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Education (the Department), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its

information collection requirements and minimize the reporting burden on the public and helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13).

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 30, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or mailed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that Federal agencies provide interested parties an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: January 24, 2012.

Darrin A. King,

Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.

Office of Innovation and Improvement.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title of Collection: Transition to Teaching Survey.

OMB Control Number: 1855-0018.

Agency Form Number(s): N/A.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 42.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 42.

Abstract: This is a request for approval to collect information from Transition to Teaching (TTT) grantees that will be used to describe the extent to which local education agencies that received TTT grant funds have met the goals relating to teacher recruitment and retention described in their application. TTT grantees are funded for a period of five years. Currently, grantees are required by statute to submit an interim project evaluation to the Department of Education (ED) at the end of the third project year and a final project evaluation at the project's end. In turn, the TTT program is required to prepare and submit to the Secretary and to Congress interim and final program evaluations containing the results of these grantee project evaluation reports. An analysis of these reports has provided some data on grantee activities, prior to the usage of the TTT survey, missing or incomplete data made it difficult to aggregate data across grantees in order to accurately describe to Congress the extent of program implementation. This data collection allows ED to gather data on a common set of indicators across grantees in order to describe and improve program implementation with the end goal of improving program performance.

Copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4794. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to (202) 401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection and OMB Control Number when making your request.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-(800) 877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Submission for OMB Review

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Comment Request.

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13).

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 29, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, be faxed to (202) 395-5806 or emailed to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov with a cc: to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The OMB is particularly interested in comments which: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: January 24, 2012

Darrin A. King,

Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: Revision.

Title of Collection: Annual Program Cost Report.

OMB Control Number: 1820-0017.

Agency Form Number(s): RSA-2.

Frequency of Responses: Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Government.