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ARCTIC RESEARCH COMMISSION

Reports and Updates on Arctic Research Programs and Projects; Meetings

July 6, 2012.

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Arctic Research Commission will hold its 98th meeting in Fairbanks, Alaska, on August 9–10, 2012. The business sessions, open to the public, will convene at 8:30 a.m. on August 9 and 11:30 on August 10 after a scheduled executive session.

The Agenda items include:

(1) Call to order and approval of the agenda

(2) Approval of the minutes from the 97th meeting

(3) Commissioners and staff reports(4) Discussion and presentations

concerning Arctic research activities The focus of the meeting will be

reports and updates on programs and research projects affecting the Arctic. If you plan to attend this meeting,

please notify us via the contact information below. Any person planning to attend who requires special accessibility features and/or auxiliary aids, such as sign language interpreters, must inform the Commission of those needs in advance of the meeting.

Contact person for further information: John Farrell, Executive Director, U.S. Arctic Research Commission, 703–525–0111 or TDD 703–306–0090.

John Farrell,

Executive Director. [FR Doc. 2012–17463 Filed 7–18–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and

Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Title: Requirements for Approved Construction Investments.

OMB Control Number: 0610–0096. Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a currently approved information collection).

Number of Respondents: 4,200. Average Hours per Response: 2. Burden Hours: 8,400.

Needs and Uses: EDA may award assistance for construction projects through its Public Works and Economic Development program, as well as its Economic Adjustment Assistance (EEA) program. Public Works and Economic Development Program investments help support the construction or rehabilitation of essential public infrastructure and facilities necessary to generate or retain private sector jobs and investments, attract private sector capital, and promote vibrant economic ecosystems, regional competitiveness and innovation. The EAA Program provides a wide range of technical, planning and infrastructure assistance in regions experiencing adverse economic changes that may occur suddenly or over time.

The Summary of EDA Construction Standards (commonly referred to as the "bluebook") and the Standard Terms and Conditions for Construction Projects, as well as any special conditions incorporated into the terms and conditions at the time of award, supplement the requirements that apply to EDA-funded construction projects.

Affected Public: Current recipients of EDA construction (Public Works or Economic Adjustment) assistance, to include (1) Cities or other political subdivisions of a state, including a special purpose unit of state or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions; (2) states; (3) institutions of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education; (4) public or private non-profit organizations or associations; (5) District Organizations; and (6) Indian Tribes or a consortia of Indian Tribes.

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Frequency: Annually. *Respondent's Obligation:* Required to

obtain or retain benefits. *OMB Desk Officer:* Nicholas Fraser,

(202) 395–5887.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482–0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at *JJessup@doc.gov*).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB Desk Officer, Fax number (202) 395–7285, or via the Internet at

 $Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov.$

Dated: July 13, 2012.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer. [FR Doc. 2012–17553 Filed 7–18–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–34–P

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Materials Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Materials Technical Advisory Committee will meet on August 9, 2012, 10:00 a.m., Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Constitution & Pennsylvania Avenues NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration with respect to technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to materials and related technology.

Agenda

Open Session

1. Opening remarks and introductions.

2. Remarks from Bureau of Industry and Security senior management.

3. Discussion on the role of the Implementation Support Unit of the Biological Weapons Convention.

4. Report on Composite Working Group and other working groups.

Notices