

*Place:* National Cancer Institute Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W526, Rockville, Maryland 20850 (Virtual Meeting).

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*Name of Committee:* National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel, Discovery and Development of Natural Products for Cancer Interception and Prevention (UG3/UH3 Clinical Trial Not Allowed).

*Date:* October 27, 2023.

*Time:* 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Cancer Institute at Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W260, Rockville, Maryland 20850 (Virtual Meeting).

*Contact Person:* Robert F. Gahl, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Special Review Branch Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9606 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W260, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 240-276-7869 [robert.gahl@nih.gov](mailto:robert.gahl@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel, Cancer Adoptive Cellular Therapy Network (CAN-Act).

*Date:* October 27, 2023.

*Time:* 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Cancer Institute at Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W238, Rockville, Maryland 20850 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Byeong-Chel Lee, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Resources and Training Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W238, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 240-276-7755, [byeong-chel.lee@nih.gov](mailto:byeong-chel.lee@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel, SEP-12: NCI Clinical and Translational Cancer Research.

*Date:* November 1, 2023.

*Time:* 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Cancer Institute Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W110, Rockville, Maryland 20850 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Priya Srinivasan, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Resource and Training Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W110, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 240-276-5619, [priya.srinivasan@nih.gov](mailto:priya.srinivasan@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel, NCI Cancer Moonshot Scholars Diversity Program Review Meeting B.

*Date:* November 8, 2023.

*Time:* 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Cancer Institute Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W254, Rockville, Maryland 20850 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Susan Lynn Spence, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Research Technology and Contract Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W254, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 240-620-0819, [susan.spence@nih.gov](mailto:susan.spence@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel, Thyroid Cancer and other Malignancies in Belarus

*Date:* November 9, 2023.

*Time:* 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate contract proposals.

*Place:* National Cancer Institute Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W608, Rockville, Maryland 20850 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Nadeem Khan, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Research Technology and Contract Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W608, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 240-276-5856, [nadeem.khan@nih.gov](mailto:nadeem.khan@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Cancer Institute Special Emphasis Panel, SBIR Concept Award.

*Date:* November 15, 2023.

*Time:* 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate contract proposals.

*Place:* National Cancer Institute Shady Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W246, Rockville, Maryland 20850 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Jun Fang, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Research Technology and Contract Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W246, Rockville, Maryland 20850, 240-276-5460, [jfang@mail.nih.gov](mailto:jfang@mail.nih.gov).

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Dated: August 24, 2023.

**Melanie J. Pantoja,**

*Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Customs and Border Protection

[1651-0019]

#### Vessel Entrance Clearance System (VECS)

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** 60-day notice and request for comments; extension of an existing collection of information.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). The information collection is published in the **Federal Register** to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and must be submitted (no later than October 30, 2023) to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice must include the OMB Control Number 1651-0019 in the subject line and the agency name. Please use the following method to submit comments: Email. Submit comments to: [CBP\\_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:CBP_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional PRA information should be directed to Seth Renkema, Chief, Economic Impact Analysis Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Office of Trade, Regulations and Rulings, 90 K Street NE, 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20229-1177, Telephone number 202-325-0056 or via email [CBP\\_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:CBP_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov). Please note that the contact information provided here is solely for questions regarding this notice. Individuals seeking information about other CBP programs should contact the CBP National Customer Service Center at 877-227-5511, (TTY) 1-800-877-8339, or CBP website at <https://www.cbp.gov/>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** CBP invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.8. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should

address one or more of the following four points: (1) 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) 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) suggestions to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) suggestions to 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, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the request for approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

#### Overview of This Information Collection

*Title:* Vessel Entrance and Clearance System (VECS).

*OMB Number:* 1651–0019.

*Form Number:* CBP Form 1300.

*Current Actions:* Extension.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Abstract:* CBP Form 1300, Vessel Entrance or Clearance Statement, is used to collect essential commercial vessel data at time of formal entrance and clearance in U.S. ports, allows the master to attest to the truthfulness of all CBP forms associated with the manifest package, and collects relevant information about the vessel and cargo. The form was developed through agreement by the United Nations Intergovernmental Maritime Organization (IMO) in conjunction with the United States and various other countries. The form was developed as a single form to replace the numerous other forms used by various countries for the entrance and clearance of vessels. CBP Form 1300 is authorized by 5 U.S.C. 301, and 19 U.S.C. 66, 1415, 1624, 2071, 1431, 1433, and 1434, as well as 46 U.S.C. 501, 60105 and provided for by 19 CFR 4. This form is accessible at: <http://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/publications/forms?title=1300&=Apply>.

This form is currently submitted in paper format and is anticipated to be submitted electronically as part of CBP's efforts to automate maritime forms through the Vessel Entrance and Clearance System (VECS), which will reduce the need for paper submission of

any vessel entrance or clearance requirements under the above referenced statutes and regulations. VECS will still collect and maintain the same data as CBP Form 1300 but will automate the capture of data to reduce or eliminate redundancy with other data collected by CBP.

Respondents are enabled to create a new ACE Account type for Vessel Agencies through the ACE Portal. The new account type within ACE will operate as a portal that leads to the Vessel Entrance and Clearance System (VECS), which will run as its own independent system.

Vessel Agents will be required to provide identifying information such as: their name, their employer identification number (EIN), company address, and their phone numbers, which will be requested at the time Vessel Agents apply for the new ACE account type.

After creating an ACE account, Vessel Agencies, Vessel Operating Common Carriers (VOCCs), and their designees are able to use the new Vessel Entrance and Clearance System (VECS) as part of the ongoing pilot program to test the functionality of VECS, and will be able to file vessel entrance, clearance, and related data to CBP electronically.

CBP is currently running a small public VECS Pilot on several ports. VECS will automate and digitize the collection and processing of the data and filing requirements for which the CBP Form 1300 is used. CBP plans to run an initial public pilot to test the system. All users who obtained a Vessel Agency Account through the ACE Portal will be automatically enrolled into the VECS public pilot. Initially, the pilot began at one of eleven ports where VECS was previously internally tested. CBP is providing training to each CBP port and the Vessel Agency personnel at each port, prior to beginning/expanding the public pilot in another port.

The VECS public pilot will continue to expand to additional ports, in an effort to progressively test and implement the system nationwide. There will be no change to the paper format of CBP Form 1300, and CBP Form 1300 in paper format will continue to be accepted.

#### New Submission

The VECS Pilot will be live for 51 port codes as of August 2023 enabling fully electronic processing of vessel entrance and clearance. The public pilot has allowed CBP to identify areas for additional enhancement and automation, fix minor errors with the system's operation, and simultaneously deploy to new locations while

continuing to test fixes and new capabilities. VECS pilot will continue to expand to other port codes while implementing training for port staff.

*Type of Information Collection:* CBP Form 1300.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,624.

*Estimated Number of Annual Responses per Respondent:* 72.

*Estimated Number of Total Annual Responses:* 188,928.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 30 minutes (0.5 hours).

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 94,464.

Dated: August 25, 2023.

**Seth D. Renkema,**

*Branch Chief, Economic Impact Analysis Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Customs and Border Protection

[Docket No. USCBP–2023–0021]

#### Commercial Customs Operations Advisory Committee (COAC)

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

**ACTION:** Committee management; notice of Federal advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Commercial Customs Operations Advisory Committee (COAC) will hold its quarterly meeting on Wednesday, September 20, 2023. The meeting will be open to the public via webinar only. There is no on-site, in-person option for the public to attend this quarterly meeting.

**DATES:** The COAC will meet on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT. Please note that the meeting may close early if the committee has completed its business. Comments must be submitted in writing no later than September 15, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be open to the public via webinar only. The webinar link and conference number will be posted by 5:00 p.m. EDT on September 19, 2023, at <https://www.cbp.gov/trade/stakeholder-engagement/coac/coac-public-meetings>. For information or to request special assistance for the meeting, contact Ms. Latoria Martin, Office of Trade Relations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, at (202) 344–1440 as soon as possible. Comments may be submitted by one of the following methods: