Needs and Uses: The Corps uses the data from the program to satisfy its mission. The Corps is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the nation's waterway system to ensure efficient and safe passage of commercial and recreational vessels. The support and management of economically sound navigation projects are dependent upon reliable navigation data as mandated by the River and Harbor Appropriations Act of September 22, 1922 (42 Stat. 1043), as amended and codified in 33 U.S.C. 555. The data collected on the form provides baseline, essential waterborne transportation information necessary for the corps to perform its mission.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jacqueline Zeiher.

Written comments and

recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Zeiher at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/ESCD/ Information Management Division, 1225 South Clark Street, Suite 504, Arlington, VA 22202–4326.

Dated: October 8, 2004.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 04–23247 Filed 10–15–04; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

National Security Education Board Meeting

AGENCY: National Defense University **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 92– 463, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming meeting of the National Security Education Board. The purpose of the meeting is to review and make recommendations to the Secretary concerning requirements established by the David L. Boren National Security Education Act, Title VII of Public Law 102–183, as amended. DATES: October 29, 2004. **ADDRESSES:** The Crystal City Marriott Hotel, 1999 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Edmond J. Collier, Deputy Director for Programs, National Security Education Program, 1101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1210, Rosslyn PO Box 20010, Arlington, VA 22209–2248; (703) 696–1991. Electronic mail address: *colliere@ndu.edu*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board meeting is open to the public.

Dated: October 12, 2004.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 04–23250 Filed 10–15–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 5001–06–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

President's Information Technology Advisory Committee (PITAC)

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: PITAC's Subcommittee on Computational Science will provide an update of its activities. PITAC will discuss the Subcommittee's presentation and provide guidance for use in the completion of its report on computational science. Public input will be solicited during a public comment period. A small fraction of the meeting time may be allocated for other PITAC updates at the discretion of the co-chairs and the designated Federal officer.

DATES: Thursday, November 4, 2004, 1:30–3:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: Via teleconference, the Internet, or at Noesis, Inc., 4100 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 800, Arlington, Virginia.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be held primarily via a teleconference and the Internet (through the Webex application). In addition, the public is invited to participate in this meeting in-person at Noesis, Inc. in Arlington, Virginia. Detailed information about this meeting, including the agenda and details concerning registration for in-person or remote participation, will be posted at PITAC's Web site (http://www.nitrd.gov/ pitac) no later than October 20th. Meeting information may also be obtained by calling 703-292-4873. Members of the public who wish to participate using the Internet (Webex) must register by Monday, November 1st.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alan Inouye at the National Coordination Office for Information Technology Research and Development at 703–292–4873 or by email at *inouye@nitrd.gov.*

Dated: October 12, 2004.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 04–23249 Filed 10–15–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 5001–6–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DOD. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of the Army announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by December 17, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the Department of the Army, Institute for Water Resources, Corps of Engineers Waterborne Commerce Statistics Center, PO Box 61280 (ATTN: Jay Wieriman), New Orleans, LA 70161–1280.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Department of the Army Reports Clearance Officer at (703) 325–8433.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Description of Vessels, ENG Form 3931; Description Operation, ENG Form 3932; OMB Number 0710–0009.

Needs and Uses: The Corps of Engineers uses ENG Forms 3931 and 3932 as the basic instruments to collect vessel and operating descriptions for use in waterborne commerce statistics. These data constitute the sole source for domestic vessel characteristics and operating descriptions for domestic vessels operating on U.S. navigable waterways. These data are collected from vessel operating companies. These data are essential to plans for maintaining U.S. navigable waterways. These data are also critical to the enforcement of the "Harbor Maintenance Tax" authorized under section 1402 of Public Law 99-662.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,048. Number of Respondents: 3,058. Responses Per Respondent: 1. Average Burden Per Response: 40 minutes.

Frequency: Annually. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Summary of Information Collection

The information collected is the basic data from which the Corps of Engineers compiles and published waterborne commerce statistics. The data is used not only to report to Congress, but also to perform cost benefit studies for new projects, rehabilitation projects, and O&M of existing projects. It is also used by other Federal agencies involved in transportation and security. This data collection program is the sole source for domestic navigation statistics.

Dated: October 12, 2004.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense. [FR Doc. 04–23248 Filed 10–15–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 5001–06–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Concerning Small Molecule Inhibitors of Botulinum Toxin

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6 and 404.7, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of the invention described in U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/ 501,243 entitled "Small Molecule Inhibitors of Botulinum Toxin," filed September 8, 2003. The United States government, as represented by the Secretary of the Army, has rights in this invention.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR–JA–Z, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, MD 21702–5012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For patent issues, Ms. Elizabeth Arwine, Patent Attorney, (301) 619–7808. For licensing issues, Dr. Paul Mele, Office of Research & Technology Assessment, (301) 619–6664, both at telefax (301) 619–5034.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 04–23231 Filed 10–15–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3710–08–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability of Non-Exclusive, Exclusive License or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Concerning Conductive (Electrical, Ionic and Photoelectric) Membrane Articlers, and Method for Producing Same

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR part 404.6, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent No. US 6,800,155 B2 entitled "Conductive (Electrical, Ionic and Photoelectric) Membrane Articlers, and Method For Producing Same" issued October 5, 2004. This patent has been assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Rosenkrans at U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center, Kansas Street, Natick, MA 01760, Phone: (508) 233–4928 or E-mail:

Robert.Rosenkrans@natick.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any licenses granted shall comply with 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR Part 404.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 04–23232 Filed 10–15–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3710–08–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Board of Visitors, United States Military Academy (USMA)

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), announcement is made of the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: Board of Visitors, United States Military Academy.

Date: Friday, November 5, 2004. Place of Meeting: Superintendent's Conference Room, Taylor Hall, Building 600, 2nd floor, West Point, NY 10996.

Start Time of Meeting: Approximately 3 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lieutenant Colonel Shaun T. Wurzbach, United States Military Academy, West Point, NY 10996–5000, (845) 938–4200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Proposed Agenda:* Fall Annual Meeting of the Board of Visitors. Review of the Academic, Military and Physical Programs at the USMA. All proceedings are open.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 04–23230 Filed 10–15–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3710–08–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

Coastal Engineering Research Board (CERB)

AGENCY: Department of Army, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), announcement is made of the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: Coastal Engineering Research Board (CERB).

Date of Meeting: November 3–4, 2004. Place: Hilton Washington DC/Silver Spring, 8727 Colesvile Road, Silver Spring, MD, 20910.

Time: 6:30 p.m to 8:30 p.m. (November 3, 2004); 8 a.m to 5 p.m. (November 3, 2004); 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (November 4, 2004).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Inquiries and notice of intent to attend the meeting may be addressed to