

www.nos.noaa.gov/products/pub_hypox.html. Given the passage of 6 years, EPA's Office of Water has requested that the SAB develop a report that evaluates the updated science regarding the causes and extent of hypoxia in the Gulf of Mexico, as well as the scientific basis of possible management options in the Mississippi River Basin.

In response to EPA's request, the SAB Staff Office formed the SAB Hypoxia Advisory Panel. Background on the Panel formation process was provided in a **Federal Register** notice published on February 17, 2006 (71 FR 8578–8580). The SAB Hypoxia Advisory Panel met on September 6–7, 2006 (71 FR 45543–45544), again on December 6–8, 2006 (71 FR 66329–66330) and again on February 28–March 2, 2007 (72 FR 5968–5969). Teleconferences of the full Hypoxia Advisory Panel and its three subgroups have also been published in **Federal Register** Notices (71 FR 55786–55787, 71 FR 59107, 71 FR 77743–77744 and 72 FR 11359–11360). Information about the SAB Hypoxia Advisory Panel is available on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

Availability of Meeting Materials: Materials in support of this meeting will be placed on the SAB Web site <http://www.epa.gov/sab/> in advance of the meeting.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the SAB to consider during the advisory process.

Oral Statements: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to five minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of one hour for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Dr. Stallworth, DFO, at the contact information noted above, no later than June 4, 2007, to be placed on the public speaker list for the June 13–15, 2007 meeting. **Written Statements:** Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office no later than June 4, 2007 so that the information may be made available to the SAB for their consideration prior to this meeting. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail to stallworth.holly@epa.gov (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

Meeting Access: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Dr. Stallworth at (202) 343–9867 or

stallworth.holly@epa.gov. To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Dr. Stallworth, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: April 2, 2007.

Anthony F. Maciorowski,
Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board
Staff Office.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice; Announcing a Partially Open Meeting of the Board of Directors

TIME AND DATE: The open meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007. The closed portion of the meeting will follow immediately the open portion of the meeting.

PLACE: Board Room, First Floor, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1625 Eye Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

STATUS: The first portion of the meeting will be open to the public. The final portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE OPEN PORTION: Appointment to the Office of Finance Board of Directors.

Waivers Concerning Preparation of Combined Financial Reports.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE CLOSED PORTION: Periodic Update of Examination Program Development and Supervisory Findings.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Shelia Willis, Paralegal Specialist, Office of General Counsel, at 202–408–2876 or williss@fhfb.gov.

Dated: April 3, 2007.

By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Neil R. Crowley,
Acting General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

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Thirty-Day Notice

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary.

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary (OS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of a proposed collection for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Type of Information Collection Request:

Existing Collection without an OMB number.

Title of Information Collection: National Blood Collection and Utilization Survey.

Form/OMB No.: OS–0990–New.

Use: The Advisory Committee on Blood Safety and Availability, Health and Human Services (HHS), was established to provide policy advice to the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary for Health. The advice of the committee is partly dependent on the analysis of relevant blood collection and utilization data which is also widely distributed and used by the transfusion medicine community. To that end, the Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS) is responsible for conducting a bi-annual cross-sectional national blood products survey. OPHS performed the 2005 National Blood Collection and Utilization Survey (NBCUS) using a nationally representative sample of hospitals and blood collection centers. Previously private and government financed versions of the NBCUS have successfully surveyed greater than 90% of the U.S. blood collection and processing facilities and more than 2900 hospital based transfusion blood banks in the United States. The objective of the 2007 NBCUS is to produce reliable and accurate estimates of national and regional collections, utilization, and safety of all blood products—red blood cells, fresh frozen plasma, and platelets. New to the 2007 NBCUS is the identification and collection of baseline data for biovigilance blood safety

monitoring. An important purpose of the survey is to help the federal government implement a blood safety public health monitoring system. The survey will be mailed to approximately 3000 institutions that include hospitals, blood collection facilities, and cord blood banks selected from the American Hospital Association annual survey database and AABB member list of blood collection facilities, respectively. The maximum length of the instrument will be approximately 20–21 pages and the estimated number of data elements will be 200 to 300. The survey will include general questions about the institution, questions about blood collection, processing, and testing, blood transfusion, special procedures and product disposition, cellular therapy products, and human tissue. The 2007 NBCUS will also include additional questions on issues of biovigilance patient safety monitoring. Facilities will be surveyed regarding their 2006 calendar year activities. A toll-free hotline service for survey inquiries will be made available. Follow-up procedures will be in place to address survey non-responders. Following data collection, statistical tabulations of results for each question will be performed. The survey data will be analyzed by institution type, services provided, USPHS region, etc. A final comprehensive report on blood collection and transfusion-related activities in the United States will be issued for publication by HHS.

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Annual Number of Respondents: 3000.

Total Annual Responses: 3000.

Average Burden Per Response: 3 hours.

Total Annual Hours: 9000.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, e-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and OS document identifier, to Sherrette.funncoleman@hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (202) 690–6162. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be received within 30 days of this notice directly to the Desk Officer at the address below:

OMB Desk Officer: John Kraemer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: (OMB #0990–New), New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: March 29, 2007.

Alice Bettencourt,

Office of the Secretary, Paperwork Reduction Act Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

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Thirty-Day Notice

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary.

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary (OS), Department of Health and Human Services, is publishing the following summary of a proposed collection for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

Type of Information Collection Request: Extension.

Title of Information Collection: Voluntary Academic and Industry Partner Surveys to Implement Executive Order 12862 and 5 U.S.C 305 for the Dept. of Health and Human Services.

Form/OMB No.: OS–0990–0220.

Use: The Office of Acquisition Management Policy (OAMP) under the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management (ASAM) and the Office of Grants (OG) under the Assistant Secretary for Resources and Technology (ASRT), Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) extend its existing approval under Clearance No. 0990–0220 for HHS to undertake voluntary surveys of HHS partners in academia and industry (e.g., Principal Investigators, business offices, and vendors) through January 31, 2010. To comply with Executive Order 12862,

Setting Customer Service Standards (the EO), HHS again plans to systematically survey its grant recipients and contractors to compile their evaluations of the Department's grants and procurement processes, and to improve the way we conduct business with them.

These voluntary surveys will continue to be a collaborative effort, with OAMP and OG providing leadership, oversight, and a methodology; and the HHS Operating Divisions (OPDIVs) conducting the surveys for their own operations. Each OPDIV will conduct web-based surveys of its partners to obtain feedback for improving business processes. The grant recipients and contractors to be surveyed are sufficiently familiar with the Department and its OPDIVs to make this feedback extremely useful. These surveys will give OAMP, OG, and each of the OPDIVs an opportunity to understand and evaluate grant and procurement quality standards, as well as to incorporate best industry or public sector standards into OPDIV practices.

Frequency: Reporting every 3 years.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government.

Annual Number of Respondents: 2133.

Total Annual Responses: 2133.

Average Burden Per Response: 10.75 minutes.

Total Annual Hours: 382.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, e-mail your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and OS document identifier, to Sherrette.funncoleman@hhs.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (202) 690–6162. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be received within 30 days of this notice directly to the Desk Officer at the address below:

OMB Desk Officer: John Kraemer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: (OMB #0990–New), New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: March 29, 2007.

Alice Bettencourt,

Office of the Secretary, Paperwork Reduction Act Reports Clearance Officer.

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