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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 12, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV.

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. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these

requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: October 6, 1999.

William E. Burrow,

*Leader, Information Management Group,
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Title: Applications for Assistance Under the Impact Aid Program.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Federal Government; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs
Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 602,237

Burden Hours: 631,534

Abstract: A local educational agency must submit an application to the Department to receive Impact Aid payments under Sections 8002 or 8003 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), and a State requesting certification under Section 8009 of the ESEA must submit data for the Secretary to determine whether the State has a qualified equalization plan and may take Impact Aid payments into consideration in allocating State aid.

Requests for copies of this information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

Written comments or questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Kathy Axt at 703-426-9692. 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

National Center on Education Statistics (NCES)

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Advisory Council on Education Statistics (ACES). Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend.

DATES: October 28-29, 1999.

TIMES: October 28, 1999—Full Council, 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. (closed 10:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.); Statistics Committee and Policy Committee, 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. (closed 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.); Management Committee, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed 1:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.). October 29, 1999—Statistics Committee, Policy Committee, and Management Committee, 8:30 a.m.–12:00 noon (closed 10:30 a.m.–12:00 noon); Full Council, 12:00 noon–2:30 p.m. (closed 12:00 noon–2:00 p.m.).

LOCATION: The Hotel Washington, 515 15th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Audrey Pendleton, National Center for Education Statistics, 555 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Room 400e, Washington, DC 20208-5530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Council on Education Statistics (ACES) is established under Section 406(c)(1) of the Education Amendments of 1974, Public Law 93-380. The Council is established to review general policies for the operation of the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) in the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI) and is responsible for advising on standards to ensure that statistics and analyses disseminated by NCES are of high quality and are not subject to political influence. In addition, ACES is required to advise the Commissioner of NCES and the National Assessment Governing Board on technical and statistical matters related to the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The meeting of the Council is open to the public.

The proposed agenda includes the following:

- A status report from the NCES Commissioner on major Center initiatives, including draft language for the reauthorization of NCES and ACES;
- New member swearing-in;
- A discussion of NCES activities mandated by the Higher Education Act;
- The presentation of Committee reports, including implications of draft language for the reauthorization of NCES.

Individual meetings of the three ACES Committees will focus on specific topics:

- The agenda for the Statistics Committee includes a discussion of draft language for the reauthorization of NCES and ACES, the revision of NCES statistical standards, inclusion of disabled and limited-English proficient students in NAEP, linking of NAEP with other NCES assessments and surveys, and changes in Office of Management and Budget required race/ethnicity questions.

- The agenda for the Policy Committee includes a discussion of draft language for the reauthorization of NCES and ACES, development of measures of instruction practices, issues in teacher licensure definitions, progress on the Early Childhood Longitudinal Survey, and findings on the collection and validation of teacher SAT/ACT scores.

- The agendas for the Management Committee includes a discussion of draft language for the reauthorization of NCES and ACES, the Commissioner's management report, the Office of the Inspector General's report on NCES' Y2K readiness, the status of the Customer Service Survey, NCES training plans, operations and performance measures of other federal statistical agencies.

A large part of the agenda involves presentation of draft language for reauthorization of NCES and ACES and discussion of its implications for NCES and ACES. Since the proposed legislative changes have not yet been sent to Congress, NCES and ACES are precluded from discussion of this information in a public meeting. Bills proposed by the Department of Education cannot be disclosed to the public until after they are officially transmitted to Congress. Such matters are protected by exemption (9)(B) of Section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C., which states that the premature disclosure of such information is likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency's action. ACES are therefore planning to close the portions of the plenary sessions and Committee meetings that pertain to the reauthorization of NCES and ACES. Records are kept of all Council proceedings and are available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Director, Advisory Council on Education Statistics, 555 New Jersey

Avenue NW, Room 400e, Washington, DC 20208.

C. Kent McGuire,

Assistant Secretary for Educational Research and Improvement.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Los Alamos

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Los Alamos. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, October 27 1999, 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Santa Clare Pueblo, Pueblo Council Conference Room, Governor's Office, Route 30, New Mexico.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann DuBois, Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board, 1640 Old Pecos Trail, Suite H, Santa Fe, NM 87505.

Phone: 505-989-1662; Fax: 505-989-1752; E-mail: adubois@doeal.gov; or Internet <http://www.nmcab.org>

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

1. Public Comment, 6:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
2. Committee Reports:
 - Environmental Restoration Monitoring and Surveillance
 - Waste Management
 - Community Outreach
 - Budget
3. Election of Officers for FY 2000
4. Other Board business will be conducted as necessary

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Ann DuBois at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to

conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments at the beginning of the meeting.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Public Reading Room located at the Board's office at 528 35th Street, Los Alamos, NM 87544. Hours of operation for the Public Reading Room are 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Ann DuBois at the Board's office address or telephone number listed above.

Issued at Washington, DC on October 6, 1999.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

American Statistical Association Committee on Energy Statistics

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the American Statistical Association Committee on Energy Statistics, a utilized Federal Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 4, 1999 8:30 am–4:30 pm; Friday, November 5, 1999, 8:30 am–12:00 noon.

PLACE: U. S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. William I. Weinig, EI-70, Committee Liaison, Energy Information Administration, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585, Telephone: (202) 426-1101. Alternately, Mr. Weinig may be contacted by email at william.weinig@eia.doe.gov or by FAX at (202) 426-1083.