

information for individuals from the public comments it receives before placing those comments on the FTC Web site. More information, including routine uses permitted by the Privacy Act, may be found in the FTC's privacy policy at <http://www.ftc.gov/ftc/privacy.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information requirements should be sent to Stephen Ecklund, Investigator, Division of Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20580, (202) 326-2841.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 27, 2005, the FTC sought comment on the information collection requirements associated with the FPLA, 16 CFR parts 500 through 503 (OMB Control Number: 3084-0110). See 70 FR 56468. No comments were received. Pursuant to the OMB regulations that implement the PRA (5 CFR part 1320), the FTC is providing this second opportunity for public comment while seeking OMB approval to extend the existing paperwork clearance for the Rule. All comments should be filed as prescribed in the **ADDRESSES** section above, and must be received on or before January 11, 2006.

The FPLA was enacted to eliminate consumer deception concerning product size representations and package content information. The regulations that implement the FPLA, 16 CFR parts 500 through 503, establish requirements for the manner and form of labeling applicable to manufacturers, packagers, and distributors of "consumer commodities."² Section 4 of the FPLA specifically requires packages or labels to be marked with: (1) A statement of identity; (2) a net quantity of contents disclosure; and (3) the name and place of business of a company that is responsible for the product.

Estimated annual hours burden: 6,534,000 total burden hours, rounded to the nearest thousand (solely relating to disclosure³).

² "Consumer commodity" means any article, product, or commodity of any kind or class which is customarily produced or distributed for sale through retail sales agencies or instrumentalities for consumption by individuals, or use by individuals for purposes of personal care or in the performance of services ordinarily rendered within the household, and which usually is consumed or expended in the course of such consumption or use." 16 CFR 500.2(c). For the precise scope of the term's coverage see 16 CFR 500.2(c); 503.2; 503.5. See also <http://www.ftc.gov/os/statutes/fpla/outline.html>.

³ To the extent that the FPLA-implementing regulations require sellers of consumer commodities to keep records that substantiate

Staff conservatively estimates that approximately 653,397 manufacturers, packagers, distributors, and retailers of consumer commodities make disclosures at an average burden of ten hours per entity, for a total disclosure burden of 6,533,970 hours. As in the past, Commission staff has used census data to estimate the number of companies. Based on a revised approach to the commodity categories in the Retail Trade census data, staff has eliminated much of the overlapping redundancies and lowered the estimate of the number of retailers that sell products subject to the Commission's FPLA regulations.

Estimated annual cost burden: \$114,998,000, rounded to the nearest thousand (solely relating to labor costs).

The estimated annual labor cost burden associated with the FPLA disclosure requirements consists of an estimated hour of managerial and/or professional time per covered entity (at an estimated average hourly rate of \$50) and nine hours of clerical time per covered entity (at an estimated average hourly rate of \$14), for a total of \$114,997,872 (\$176 per covered entity × 653,397 entities).

Total capital and start-up costs are de minimis. For many years, the packaging and labeling activities that require capital and start-up costs have been performed by covered entities in the ordinary course of business independent of the FPLA and implementing regulations. Similarly, firms provide in the ordinary course of business the information that the statute and regulations require be placed on packages and labels.

William Blumenthal,

General Counsel.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 052 3096]

DSW, Inc.; Analysis of Proposed Consent Order To Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed Consent Agreement.

SUMMARY: The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of Federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices or unfair methods of competition. The attached

"cents off," "introductory offer," and/or "economy size" claims, staff believes that most, if not all, of the records that sellers maintain would be kept in the ordinary course of business, regardless of the legal mandates.

Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint and the terms of the consent order—embodied in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 2, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments. Comments should refer to "DSW, Inc., File No. 052 3096," to facilitate the organization of comments. A comment filed in paper form should include this reference both in the text and on the envelope, and should be mailed or delivered to the following address: Federal Trade Commission/Office of the Secretary, Room 135-H, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20580. Comments containing confidential material must be filed in paper form, must be clearly labeled "Confidential," and must comply with Commission Rule 4.9(c), 16 CFR 4.9(c) (2005).¹ The FTC is requesting that any comment filed in paper form be sent by courier or overnight service, if possible, because U.S. postal mail in the Washington area and at the Commission is subject to delay due to heightened security precautions. Comments that do not contain any nonpublic information may instead be filed in electronic form as part of or as an attachment to e-mail messages directed to the following e-mail box: consentagreement@ftc.gov.

The FTC Act and other laws the Commission administers permit the collection of public comments to consider and use in this proceeding as appropriate. All timely and responsive public comments, whether filed in paper or electronic form, will be considered by the Commission, and will be available to the public on the FTC Web site, to the extent practicable, at <http://www.ftc.gov>. As a matter of discretion, the FTC makes every effort to remove home contact information for individuals from the public comments it receives before placing those comments on the FTC Web site. More information, including routine uses permitted by the Privacy Act, may be found in the FTC's privacy policy, at <http://www.ftc.gov/ftc/privacy.htm>.

¹ The comment must be accompanied by an explicit request for confidential treatment, including the factual and legal basis for the request, and must identify the specific portions of the comment to be withheld from the public record. The request will be granted or denied by the Commission's General Counsel, consistent with applicable law and the public interest. See Commission Rule 4.9(c), 16 CFR 4.9(c).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jessica Rich (202) 326-3224, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Room NJ-3158, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20580.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46(f), and § 2.34 of the Commission Rules of Practice, 16 CFR 2.34, notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of thirty (30) days. The following Analysis to Aid Public Comment describes the terms of the consent agreement, and the allegations in the complaint. An electronic copy of the full text of the consent agreement package can be obtained from the FTC Home Page (for December 1, 2005), on the World Wide Web, at <http://www.ftc.gov/os/2005/12/index.htm>. A paper copy can be obtained from the FTC Public Reference Room, Room 130-H, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20580, either in person or by calling (202) 326-2222.

Public comments are invited, and may be filed with the Commission in either paper or electronic form. All comments should be filed as prescribed in the **ADDRESSES** section above, and must be received on or before the date specified in the **DATES** section.

Analysis of Agreement Containing Consent Order To Aid Public Comment

The Federal Trade Commission has accepted a consent agreement, subject to final approval, from DSW Inc. ("DSW").

The proposed consent order has been placed on the public record for thirty (30) days for receipt of comments by interested persons. Comments received during this period will become part of the public record. After thirty (30) days, the Commission will again review the agreement and the comments received and will decide whether it should withdraw from the agreement and take other appropriate action or make final the agreement's proposed order.

As described in the Commission's proposed complaint, DSW sells footwear for men and women at approximately 190 stores in 32 states. Consumers pay for their purchases with cash, credit cards, debit cards, and personal checks. In the course of seeking approval for credit and debit card purchases, DSW collects consumers' personal information, including name, card number and expiration date, and other information, from magnetic stripes on the cards. The

information collected from the magnetic stripe is particularly sensitive because it contains a security code which can be used to create counterfeit cards that appear genuine in the authorization process. In the course of seeking approval for personal check purchases, DSW also collects consumers' personal information, including routing number, account number, check number, and the consumer's driver's license number and state, from the check using Magnetic Ink Character Recognition ("MICR") technology.

The Commission's proposed complaint alleges that DSW stored consumers' personal information on computers on networks located at both the store and corporate levels and failed to employ reasonable and appropriate security measures to protect the information. The complaint alleges that this failure was an unfair practice because it caused or was likely to cause substantial consumer injury that was not reasonably avoidable and was not outweighed by countervailing benefits to consumers or competition. In particular, the complaint alleges that until at least March 2005, DSW engaged in a number of practices which, taken together, failed to provide reasonable security for sensitive personal information, including: (1) Creating unnecessary risks to personal information collected at its stores by storing it in multiple files when it no longer had a business need to keep the information; (2) failing to use readily available security measures to limit access to its computer networks through wireless access points on the networks; (3) storing the information in unencrypted files that could be accessed easily by using a commonly known user ID and password; (4) failing to sufficiently limit the ability of computers on one in-store computer network to connect to computers on other in-store and corporate networks; and (5) failing to employ sufficient measures to detect unauthorized access.

The complaint further alleges that there have been fraudulent charges on accounts that consumers had used at DSW's stores. Additionally, some consumers whose checking account information was compromised were advised to close their accounts, thereby losing access to those accounts, and incurred out-of-pocket expenses such as the cost of ordering new checks.

The proposed order applies to personal information from or about consumers that DSW collects in connection with its business. It contains provisions designed to prevent DSW from engaging in the future in practices

similar to those alleged in the complaint.

Specifically, part I of the proposed order requires DSW to establish and maintain a comprehensive information security program in writing that is reasonably designed to protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of personal information it collects from or about consumers. The security program must contain administrative, technical, and physical safeguards appropriate to DSW's size and complexity, the nature and scope of its activities, and the sensitivity of the personal information collected. Specifically, the order requires DSW to:

- Designate an employee or employees to coordinate and be accountable for the information security program.

- Identify material internal and external risks to the security, confidentiality, and integrity of consumer information that could result in unauthorized disclosure, misuse, loss, alteration, destruction, or other compromise of such information, and assess the sufficiency of any safeguards in place to control these risks.

- Design and implement reasonable safeguards to control the risks identified through risk assessment, and regularly test or monitor the effectiveness of the safeguards' key controls, systems, and procedures.

- Evaluate and adjust its information security program in light of the results of testing and monitoring, any material changes to its operation or business arrangements, or any other circumstances that DSW knows or has reason to know may have a material impact on the effectiveness of its information security program.

Part II of the proposed order requires that DSW obtain within 180 days, and on a biennial basis thereafter, an assessment and report from a qualified, objective, independent third-party professional, certifying, among other things, that: (1) DSW has in place a security program that provides protections that meet or exceed the protections required by part I of the proposed order, and (2) DSW's security program is operating with sufficient effectiveness to provide reasonable assurance that the security, confidentiality, and integrity of consumers' personal information has been protected. This provision is substantially similar to comparable provisions obtained in prior Commission orders under section 5 of the FTC Act. *See, e.g., BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc.*, FTC Docket No. C-4148 (Sept. 20, 2005).

Parts III through VII of the proposed order are reporting and compliance provisions. Part III requires DSW to retain documents relating to compliance. For the assessments and supporting documents, DSW must retain the documents for three (3) years after the date that each assessment is prepared. Part IV requires dissemination of the order now and for the next ten (10) years to persons with supervisory responsibilities. Part V ensures notification to the FTC of changes in corporate status. Part VI mandates that DSW submit compliance reports to the FTC. Part VII is a provision "sunsetting" the order after twenty (20) years, with certain exceptions.

The purpose of this analysis is to facilitate public comment on the proposed order, and it is not intended to constitute an official interpretation of the agreement and proposed order or to modify in any way their terms.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the National Coordinator; American Health Information Community Meeting

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the third meeting of the American Health Information Community in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., App.) The American Health Information Community will advise the Secretary and recommend specific actions to achieve a common interoperability framework for health information technology (IT).

DATES: January 17, 2006 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hubert H. Humphrey building (200 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20201), conference room 800.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
<http://www.hhs.gov/healthit>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A Web cast of the third Community meeting will be available on the NIH Web site at: <http://www.videocast.nih.gov/>. If you have special needs for the meeting please contact Amanda Smith at

Amanda.Smith@hhs.gov or (202) 690-7385.

Dated: December 1, 2005.

Dana Haza,

Office of Programs and Coordination, Office of the National Coordinator.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Health Statistics

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) announces the following committee meeting.

Name: Board of Scientific Counselors (BSC), NCHS.

Times and Dates: 2 p.m.-5:30 p.m., January 26, 2006. 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., January 27, 2006.

Place: NCHS Headquarters, 3311 Toledo Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 100 people.

Purpose: This committee is charged with providing advice and making recommendations to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; the Director, CDC; and the Director, NCHS, regarding the scientific and technical program goals and objectives, strategies, and priorities of NCHS.

Matters to be Discussed: The agenda will include welcome remarks by the Director, NCHS; introductions of members and key NCHS staff; scientific presentations and discussions; and an open session for comments from the public.

Requests to make oral presentations should be submitted in writing to the contact person listed below by January 6, 2006. All requests must contain the name, address, telephone number, and organizational affiliation of the presenter.

Written comments should not exceed five single-spaced typed pages in length and must be received by the Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

For Further Information Contact: Robert Weinzimer, Executive Secretary, NCHS, 3311 Toledo Road, Room 7108, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone (301) 458-4565, fax (301) 458-4021.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign **Federal Register** notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities for both CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: December 5, 2005.

Diane Allen,

Acting Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: Child Care Case-Level Report.

OMB No.: 0970-0167.

Description: Section 658K of the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-508, 42 U.S.C. 9858) requires that States and Territories submit monthly case-level data on the children and families receiving direct services under the Child Care and Development Fund. The implementing regulations for the statutorily required reporting are at 45 CFR 98.70. Case-level reports, submitted quarterly or monthly (at grantee option), include monthly sample or full population case-level data. The data elements to be included in these reports are represented in the ACF-801. ACF uses disaggregate data to determine program and participant characteristics as well as costs and levels of child care services provided. This provides ACF with the information necessary to make reports to Congress, address national child care needs, offer technical assistance to grantees, meet performance measures, and conduct research. Consistent with the statute and regulations, ACF requests extension of the ACF-801.

Respondents: States, District of Columbia, and Territories including Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands.