

are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until April 28, 2003.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate 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) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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 form of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Application for asylum and for withholding of removal.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* Form I-589. Office of International Affairs, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* *Primary:* Individuals or households. This information collection will be used to determine whether an alien applying for asylum and/or withholding of deportation in the United States is classifiable as a refugee, and is eligible to remain in the United States.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 78,000 responses at 12 hours per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 936,000 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Richard A. Sloan 202-514-3291,

Director, Regulations and Forms Services Division, Immigration and Naturalization Service, U.S. Department of Justice, Room 4304, 421 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536. Additionally, comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time may also be directed to Mr. Richard A. Sloan.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Robert B. Briggs, Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Information Management and Security Staff, Justice Management Division, 601 D Street, NW., Patrick Henry Building, Suite 1600, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: February 19, 2003.

Richard A. Sloan,

Department Clearance Officer, Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Bureau of Labor Statistics

Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee; Notice of Open Meeting and Agenda

The fifth meeting of the Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee will be held on March 21, 2003 in the Postal Square Building, 2 Massachusetts Avenue NE., Washington, DC.

The Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee is a technical committee composed of economists, statisticians, and behavioral scientists who are recognized for their attainments and objectivity in their respective fields. Committee members are called upon to analyze issues involved in producing Federal economic statistics and recommend practices that will lead to optimum efficiency, effectiveness, and cooperation among the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis and Bureau of the Census.

The meeting will be held in Meeting Rooms 1, 2, and 3 of the Postal Square Building Conference Center. The schedule and agenda for the meeting are as follows:

9:15 a.m. Opening Session

9:30 a.m.

1. Comparison of expenditure estimates, Consumer Expenditure Survey (CE) and Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE).

2. Comparison of movements in the CPI and PCE price indexes.
- 11:30 a.m. Progress Report: Research into the use of hedonics in the CPI.
1:15 p.m. Agency edit procedures.
3:15 p.m. Benefit usage data in the Employment Cost Index (ECI).
4:15 p.m. Priorities for future meetings.
5:00 p.m. Conclude (approximate time).

The meeting is open to the public. Any questions concerning the meeting should be directed to Margaret Johnson, Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee, on Area Code (202) 691-5600. Individuals with disabilities, who need special accommodations, should contact Ms. Johnson at least two days prior to the meeting date.

Signed at Washington, DC the 19th day of February 2003.

Kathleen P. Utgoff,

Commissioner of Labor Statistics.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATE: Weeks of February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2003.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of February 24, 2003

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of February 24, 2003.

Week of March 3, 2003—Tentative

Monday, March 3, 2003.

10 a.m.—Briefing on Status of Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) Programs—Waste Safety (Public Meeting) (Contact: Claudia Seeling, 301-415-7243).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.
2 p.m.—Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1).

Week of March 10, 2003—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the Week of March 10, 2003.

Week of March 17, 2003—Tentative

Thursday, March 20, 2003.

10 a.m.—Briefing on Status of Office of Nuclear Security and Incident