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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Submission for OMB Emergency Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Under Secretary for Management, Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB Emergency Review; comment request.

**DATES:** September 8, 2003.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has submitted the following (see below) information collection request (ICR), utilizing emergency review procedures, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), as amended by the Clinger-Cohen Act (Pub. L. 104-106). OMB approval has been requested by September 15, 2003. A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Homeland Security, Theresa M. O'Malley (202.358.3571).

*Comments:* Comments and questions about the ICR listed below should be forwarded to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for Homeland Security, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202.395.7316; 202.395.6974 = Fax).

The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 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 forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

*Analysis:* Agency: Department of Homeland Security, Under Secretary of Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

*Title:* Support Anti-terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies Act of 2002 (SAFETY Act).

*OMB Number:* 1640-new collection.  
*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,000.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 20-400; average 120 per respondent.

*Total Burden Hours:* 120,000.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* 0.  
*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* 0.

*Description:* As part of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, Public Law 107-296, Congress enacted several liability protections for the providers of anti-terrorism technologies. The SAFETY Act provides incentives for the development and deployment of anti-terrorism technologies by creating a system of risk management and litigation management. The purpose of the Act is to ensure that the threat of liability does not deter potential manufacturers of anti-terrorism technologies from developing and commercializing technologies that could significantly reduce the risks or mitigate the effect of large-scale terrorist events.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Office of Science and Technology; Announcement of Seminars

**AGENCY:** Office of Science and Technology, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Announcement of seminars.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Science and Technology, Department of Homeland Security, will be hosting a series of seminars in key cities nationwide to educate the public about the application process for the Support Anti-Terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies Act of 2002 (SAFETY Act), Sections 861-865, Public Law 107-296.

**DATES:** See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for seminar addresses.

**ADDRESSES:** See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for seminar addresses.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information concerning this notice or the seminars, write or call Ms. Wendy Howe, Program Manager, SAFETY Act Implementation, Department of Homeland Security, 7th and D Streets, SW., Washington, DC 20598, [wendy.howe@dhs.gov](mailto:wendy.howe@dhs.gov), or at 202-772-9887.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Registration

All seminars are open to the public, but registration is required. For more information or to register, please call 301-975-8933 or visit <http://www.dhs.gov> and click on the "Threats & Protection" link at the top of the page.

#### Seminar Dates and Locations

The seminars will be held at the following dates and locations:

September 22, 2003, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.—  
Dallas Marriott Quorum Hotel, 14901  
Dallas Parkway, Dallas, TX 75254

September 23, 2003, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.—  
Renaissance Los Angeles, 9620  
Airport Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA  
90045

September 24, 2003, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.—  
Marriott Marquis Hotel, 265 Peachtree  
Center Avenue, Atlanta, GA, 30303

September 26, 2003, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.—  
Chicago Marriott O'Hare Hotel, 8535  
West Higgins Road, Chicago, IL 60631

#### Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the seminars, contact the registration number provided above.

#### Media Inquiries

Members of the media who would like to cover this event must present a valid press credential. For further information, contact Ms. Michelle Petrovich, Director of Communications, Office of Science and Technology, Department of Homeland Security, 7th and D Streets, SW., Washington, DC 20598, [michelle.petrovich@dhs.gov](mailto:michelle.petrovich@dhs.gov), at 202-772-9886.

(Authority: Sec. 862(c), Pub. L. 107-296; Department of Homeland Security Management Directive 0490.1)

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**Dr. Holly Dockery,**

Director, Safety Act Implementation, Science and Technology Division, Department of Homeland Security.

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