

statutory obligations. The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this 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 at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: November 10, 1997.

Gloria Parker,

Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Type of Review: New.

Title: Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections. *Frequency:* Annually.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not for Profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government, SEAs or LEAs.

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 1.

Burden Hours: 1.

Abstract: This information collection plan provides the U.S. Department of Education with the option of submitting its discretionary grant information collections through a streamlined Paperwork Reduction Act clearance process. This streamlined information to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and, at the same time, publishes a 30-day public comment period notice in the **Federal Register**. OMB will then have 60 days after the public comment period begins to reach a decision on the information collection.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Assessment Governing Board; Meeting

AGENCY: National Assessment Governing Board.

ACTION: Amendment to notice of closed and partially meetings of the Governing Board.

SUMMARY: This amends the notice of closed and partially closed meetings of

the National Assessment Governing Board published on Monday, November 10, 1997 in Vol. 62, No. 217, page 60488. On November 21—full Board 8:00 to 10:15 a.m., (open). Full Board, 12:00 noon–4:00 p.m., (open); Joint meeting of Achievement Levels and Design and Methodology Committees, 4:00–5:00 p.m., (open); Reporting and Dissemination Committee, 4:00–5:00 p.m., (open); and Joint meeting of Subject Area Committees #1 and #2, 4:00–5:00 p.m., (open).

The agenda for the 8:00–10:15 a.m. session of the full Board has been changed to include a presentation and discussion on NAEP redesign issues and the Executive Director's report has been eliminated from the agenda. The agenda for the full Board session scheduled for 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. has been changed to include an update on the voluntary national tests initiative, and discussion on processes to be utilized in the review of contracts and test specifications. The presentation on NAEP activities from framework development to reporting the results has been eliminated from the agenda. The agendas for the 4:00–5:00 p.m. meetings of the Governing Board committees are as follows: the joint Achievement Levels and Design and Methodology Committees will consider technical aspects of the current Voluntary National Tests contract; the Reporting and Dissemination Committee will discuss issues related to Voluntary National Tests reporting, use, and information for parents and the public; and the joint Subject Area Committees #1 and #2 will be provided an update on specifications for the Voluntary National Tests.

DATES: November 20–22, 1997.

LOCATION: Ritz Carlton Hotel, Pentagon City, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington, Virginia.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary Ann Wilmer, Operations Officer, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite 825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, D.C., 20002-4233, Telephone: (202) 357-6938.

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Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Privacy Act of 1974; Computer Matching Program

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice—computer matching between the Department of Education and the Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, Public Law 100-503, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Guidelines on the Conduct of Matching Programs, notice is hereby given of the computer matching program between the Department of Education (ED) (the recipient agency), and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Department of Treasury (the source agency).

Notice of the matching program was originally published in the **Federal Register** on June 3, 1993 (58 FR 31587); the program became effective on May 8, 1995. Duration was 18 months plus a one-year extension permitted by the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended by the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988 (5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(2)(D)). The one-year extension expired on August 31, 1997. This document notifies the public of the approval of a new agreement between the Department of Treasury and Department of Education to continue the matching program. The Data Integrity Boards of both agencies have approved this new agreement.

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, and OMB guidance on the computer matching provision of the Privacy Act, the following is provided:

1. Name of Participating Agencies

The U. S. Department of Education (ED) and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) of the U. S. Department of Treasury.

2. Purpose of the Match

This matching program, entitled Taxpayer Address Request, permits ED to have access to any taxpayer's mailing address who has defaulted on certain loans extended under the Higher Education Act for the purposes of locating the taxpayer to collect the loan. This Agreement further provides for redisclosure by the Secretary of Education of a taxpayer's mailing address to any lender, or State or nonprofit guarantee agency, also participating under the Higher Education Act, or any educational institution with which the Secretary of Education has an agreement under that Act.

3. Authority for Conducting the Matching Program

The information contained in the IRS data base is referred to TAR, and is authorized under the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 6103 (m) (4), Public Law 99-603. ED seeks access to this data base under the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended under section 3 (a) (1) of the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962.

4. Categories of Records and Individuals Covered

The records to be used in the match and the roles of the matching participants are described as follows:

ED will provide the Social Security Number (ssn) and first four letters of the last name of each student who has defaulted under a loan program authorized under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965. This information will be extracted from the Title IV Program File system of records (18-40-0024). The ED data will be matched against IRS' system of records to collect the most recent address of each taxpayer who matches the SSN and first four letters provided by ED.

5. Effective Dates of the Matching Program

The matching program will become effective 40-days after a copy of the agreement, as approved by the Data Integrity Board of each agency, is sent to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget, or 30-days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, unless OMB disapproves the Matching Program within the 40-day review period. If OMB takes no action within the 40-days, this Matching Program becomes effective after both the 40-day OMB period and the 30-day **Federal Register** period have passed. The matching program will continue for 18 months after the effective date and may be extended for an additional 12 months, if the conditions specified in 5 U. S. C. 552a (o) (2) (D) have been met.

6. Address for Receipt of Public Comments or Inquiries

The person to contact if there are any questions or inquiries is:

Cynthia D.B. Mills, Management Analyst, Federal Family Student Loan Systems Division, Office of Postsecondary Education, Development Division, US Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW, (Room 4613, ROB-3), Washington, DC 20202, Telephone: 202-708-9768. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TTD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-

800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed in the preceding paragraph.

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Note: The official version of this document is the document published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: November 7, 1997.

David A. Longanecker,
Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Research

Office of Environmental Management; Energy Research Financial Assistance Program Notice 98-04; Environmental Management Science Program: Research Related to Decontamination and Decommissioning of Facilities

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice inviting grant applications.

SUMMARY: The Offices of Energy Research (ER) and Environmental Management (EM), U.S. Department of Energy, hereby announce their interest in receiving grant applications for performance of innovative, fundamental research to support specifically

activities for facility decontamination and decommissioning (D&D); which include, but are not limited to, the characterization, monitoring, and certification of contaminated equipment and facilities; contaminant removal, contaminant control of various treatment processes; the treatment, removal, and stabilization of DOE D&D-derived radioactive, hazardous chemical, and mixed wastes.

DATES: Potential applicants are strongly encouraged to submit a brief preapplication. All preapplications, referencing Program Notice 98-04, should be received by DOE by 4:30 P.M. E.S.T., December 16, 1997. A response encouraging or discouraging a formal application generally will be communicated to the applicant within three weeks of receipt. The deadline for receipt of formal applications is 4:30 P.M., E.S.T., March 17, 1998, in order to be accepted for merit review and to permit timely consideration for award in Fiscal Year 1998.

ADDRESSES: All preapplications, referencing Program Notice 98-04, should be sent to Dr. Roland F. Hirsch, ER-73, Mail Stop F-240, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290. Preapplications will be accepted if submitted by U. S. Postal Service, including Express Mail, commercial mail delivery service, or hand delivery, but will not be accepted by fax, electronic mail, or other means.

After receiving notification from DOE concerning successful preapplications, applicants may prepare and submit formal applications. Applications must be sent to: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Research, Grants and Contracts Division, ER-64, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, Attn: Program Notice 98-04. The above address for formal applications must also be used when submitting formal applications by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail, any commercial mail delivery service, or when hand carried by the applicant.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Roland F. Hirsch, ER-73, Mail Stop F-240, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, Office of Energy Research, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874-1290, telephone: (301) 903-5349, fax: (301) 903-0567, E-mail: roland.hirsch@oer.doe.gov, or Mr. Mark Gilbertson, Office of Science and Risk Policy, Office of Science and Technology, Office of Environmental Management, 1000 Independence