PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR FEDERALREPORTING.GOV SECTION 1512 DATA SYSTEM

1. What information is being collected in the system?

The FederalReporting.gov Section 1512 Data System (1512 Data System) will contain information on recipients of funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law No. 111-5 (Recovery Act). This system contains records described in the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) June 22, 2009, Implementing Guidance for the Reports on Use of Funds Pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The record description in this document includes data on prime recipients, subrecipients, and vendors receiving funding under the Recovery Act. The system will also store other system-generated data such as the recipient's report submission date and time and other identifiers for internal tracking.

2. Why is the information being collected?

The Recovery Act was enacted on February 17, 2009, to make supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization. Under Section 1512 of the Recovery Act, as well as implementing guidance promulgated by OMB, recipients are required to report certain data elements relating to their receipt of funds. The purpose of collecting this information is to provide the public with information as to how the government spends money, and also to assist with the prevention of fraud, waste, and mismanagement of Recovery funds.

3. How will the information be used?

1512 Data System records will be used to collect information about recipients' use of Recovery funds, as well as to populate the public-facing website Recovery.gov. The records may also be used for auditing or other internal purpose of the Board, including but not limited to: investigation of possible fraud, waste, abuse, and mismanagement of Recovery funds; litigation purposes related to information reported to the Board; and contacting the recipient in the event of a system modification or change to FederalReporting.gov, including the data elements required to be reported.

4. Who will have access to the information?

Board staff, Board contractor staff on a need-to-know basis, and agencies reviewing the data. The system controls individuals' ability to access and alter records within the system.

5. With whom will the information be shared?

Apart from access to the system, as described above, the information contained within the system may be disclosed as detailed in the system of records notice published at 74 Fed. Reg. 40155.

6. Do individuals have the opportunity to decline to provide information or to consent to particular uses of the information?

No.

7. How will the information be secured?

The Board has minimized the risk of unauthorized access to the system by establishing a secure environment for exchanging electronic information. Physical access uses a defense in-depth approach restricting access at each layer closest to where the actual system resides. The entire complex is patrolled by security during non-business hours. Physical access to the data system housed within the facility is controlled by a computerized badge-reading system. Multiple levels of security are maintained via dual-factor authentication for access using biometrics. The computer system offers a high degree of resistance to tampering and circumvention. All users of the system of records are given a unique user identification (ID) with personal identifiers. All interactions between the system and the authorized individual users are recorded.

8. Is there a system of records for this information?

Yes, at 74 Fed. Reg. 40155.