DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (DAPE–ZXI–RM), U.S. Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of the Army announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by June 27, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Directorate of Civil Works Operations Division, Regulatory Branch, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Pulaski Building, Washington, DC 20314–1000, ATTN: CECW–OR (Frank R. Torbett). Consideration will be given to all comments received within 60 days of the date of publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call Department of the Army Reports clearance officer at (703) 614–0454.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Application for a Department of the Army Permit; ENG Form 4345, OMB Control Number 0710–0003.

Needs and Uses: Information collected is used to evaluate proposed construction or filling in U.S. waters of impacts on the environment and nearby properties as required by federal law to determine if issuance of a permit is in the public interest. Respondents are private landowners, businesses, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies.

Affected Public: Individual or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Farms; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Annual Burden Hours: 155,000. Number of Respondents: 15,500. Responses per Respondent: 1. Average Burden per Response: 10 hours.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Corps of Engineers is required by three federal laws, passed by Congress, to regulate construction related projects in U.S. waters. This is accomplished through the review of applications for permits to do this work.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 00–10639 Filed 4–27–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3710–08–U

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability of U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/184,376 for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing

AGENCY: U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command, Department of the Army, DoD. **ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6 and 35 U.S.C. 207, announcement is made of the availability of the following Government-Owned U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/184,376 for non-exclusive, partially exclusive or exclusive licensing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Bob Gross, Technology Transfer Office, U.S. Army SBCCOM, ATTN: AMSSB– RAS–C, 5183 Blackhawk Road (Bldg E3330/245), APG, MD 21010–5423, Phone: (410) 436–5387 or E-mail: rlgross@sbccom.apgea.army.mil

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Automated Decision-Aid System for Hazardous Incidents (ADASHI).

Inventor: James A. Genovese. The Automated Decision-Aid System for Hazardous Incidents (ADASHI) is a unique, computer-based integrated decision-aid support system for improving tactical response to a hazardous incident. ADASI effectively integrates the specific technical functions required to control a hazardous event involving chemical, biological or radiological (CBR) materials. ADASHI will automatically monitor most aspects of the CBR event, whether it be a "What if?" simulated event for training purposes or a real event. ADASHI can also be utilized as an "over the shoulder" decision-support system to aid incident commanders in making better, more timely decisions by rapidly processing the multi-variant input data and providing critical information to that commander in a high-stress environment.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 00–10637 Filed 4–27–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3710–08–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability of U.S. Patents for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially-Exclusive Licensing

AGENCY: U.S. Army Research Laboratory, DOD. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability of the following U.S. patent for non-exclusive, partially exclusive or exclusive licensing. The listed patent has been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army, Washington, DC.

This patent covers a wide variety of technical arts including: a device to launch disk projectiles in a variety of orientations, A spin stabilized nonlethal projectile and An apparatus to allow pilots increased visibility through fog and other aerosols.

Under the authority of Section 11(a)(2) of the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (Public Law 99– 502) and Section 207 of Title 35, United States Code, the Department of the Army as represented by the U.S. Army Research Laboratory wish to license the U.S. patent listed below in a nonexclusive, exclusive or partially exclusive manner to any party interested in manufacturing, using, and/ or selling devices or processes covered by this patent.

Title: Launcher and Method for Launching Disk-Shaped Projectile in Edge-On and Face-On Orientations.

Inventors: Michael Hollis and John Condon.

Patent Number: 6,024,078. *Issued Date:* February 15, 2000.

Title: Method and Apparatus for Increased Visibility through Fog and Ohter Aerosols.

Inventor: Wendell Watkins. *Patent Number:* 6,028,624. *Issued Date:* February 22, 2000.

Title: Non-Lethal Cartridge with Spin-Stabilized Projectile. *Inventor:* David H. Lyon.

Patent Number: 6,041,712. *Issued Date:* March 28, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Rausa, Technology Transfer Office, AMSRL–CS–TT, U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Aberdeen Proving

Ground, MD 21005–5055 tel: (410) 278– 5028; fax: (410) 278–5820 SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

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Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 00–10636 Filed 4–27–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3710–08–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability of U.S. Patents for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially-Exclusive Licensing

AGENCY: U.S. Army Research Laboratory, DOD. ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability of the following U.S. patent for non-exclusive, partially exclusive or exclusive licensing. The listed patent has been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army, Washington, DC.

This patent covers a wide variety of technical arts including: A bimetallic actuator for heat-transfer applications where the source of energy is provided by a temperature difference between two reservoirs.

Under the authority of section 11(a)(2) of the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99–502) and Section 207 of Title 35, United States Code, the Department of the Army as represented by the U.S. Army Research Laboratory wish to license the U.S. patent listed below in a non-exclusive, exclusive or partially exclusive manner to any party interested in manufacturing, using, and/ or selling devices or processes covered by this patent.

Title: Passive Bimetallic Actuator for heat Transfer.

Inventor: Russell DeAnna. Patent Number: 6,039,262. Issued Date: November 9, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Norma Cammaratta, Technology Transfer Office, AMSRL–CS–TT, U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Adelphi, MD 20783–1197 tel: (301) 394–2952; fax: (301) 394–5818.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register, Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 00–10635 Filed 4–27–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3710–08–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Application Concerning Prolonged Storage of Red Blood Cells

AGENCY: U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/154,102 entitled "Prolonged Storage of Red Blood Cells", filed 16 September 1998. This patent has been assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Material Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR–JA, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, Maryland 21702–5012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jay P. Winchester, Attorney-Advisor, (301) 619–2065 or telefax (301) 619–5034.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The invention discloses novel additive solutions useful for the storage of human red blood cells (RBCs) under refrigerated conditions. Also disclosed is a method of using the additive solutions in an appropriate volume to preserve RBCs at about 1° to 6° for up to 10 weeks. Additive solutions and processes in accordance with this invention allow the viable storage of human RBCs for an extended period of time in a solution which is directly infusible into humans.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 00–10638 Filed 4–27–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3710–08–M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army: Corps of Engineers

Announcement of Public Hearing Date on a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/ Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIS/SEIR) for the Port of Los Angeles Main Channel Deepening Project, Los Angeles County, CA

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Draft SEIS/SEIR was released for public review on April 7, 2000. The Environmental Protection Agency has published a Notice of Availability of the Draft SEIS/SEIR in the **Federal Register** on April 7, 2000. The public review of the Draft SEIS/ SEIR ends on May 22, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Ecosystem Planning Section, PO Box 532711, Los Angeles, CA 90053–2325.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Larry Smith, Technical Manager, phone (213) 452–3846.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Background

The primary purpose of the proposed project is to deepen the inner harbor of the Port of Los Angeles to improve deep-draft navigation safety, to maximize the efficiency of the Port of Los Angeles by providing deep-draft commercials with reductions in tide delays and increasing economies if scale, and to maximize the beneficial use of dredged material.

2. Proposed Action

Deepening of the Inner Harbor channels at the Port of Los Angeles to a depth of -53 ft Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

3. Alternatives

The SEIS/SEIR evaluates the alternatives carried forward for detailed environmental analysis. In general, the major differences among alternatives are the project depth and selection of disposal sites.

Dredge Alternatives

Three dredge depth alternatives were assessed in the SEIS/SEIR. The dredge depths were -50 ft MLLW, -53 ft MLLW, and -55 ft MLLW. A dredge depth of -53 ft MLLW was determined to be the optimum depth.