

I. Background

In the **Federal Register** of April 19, 2000 (65 FR 20992), FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) announced plans to develop a prototypic risk assessment (RA) model that accounts for the transfer of resistance determinants from bacteria in food-producing animals to bacteria in humans. CVM also requested comments on their approach to the RA model, requested that scientific data and information relevant to the conduct of the RA be submitted, and indicated its intention to work with stakeholders to assess potential risks.

The outcome of our work is a document entitled "Draft Risk Assessment of Streptogramin Resistance in *Enterococcus faecium* Attributable to the Use of Streptogramins in Animals." This draft risk assessment specifically addresses the link between the use of the streptogramin antimicrobial, virginiamycin, in food-producing animals and the development of resistance to the related streptogramins, quinupristin-dalfopristin, used to treat human enterococcal infections. *Enterococcus* bacteria include commensal strains normally present in the intestines of animals and man. This risk assessment focuses on the opportunistic pathogen *Enterococcus faecium*.

In an effort to better ensure broad awareness of this **Federal Register** notice, FDA will make copies available through the FDA Dockets Listserv (<http://www.fda.gov/ohrms/dockets/FDAMAIL/DMBemallist.htm>). To be added to any of FDA's free e-mail subscription services go to: <http://www.fda.gov>. Click on "Subscribe to FDA's E-mail Lists", then follow the instructions provided.

II. Comments

Interested persons may submit to the Division of Dockets Management (see **ADDRESSES**) written or electronic comments on the draft guidance. Two copies of mailed comments are to be submitted, except that individuals may submit one copy. Comments are to be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. The draft guidance and received comments are available for public examination in the Division of Dockets Management between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Dated: November 13, 2004.

Jeffrey Shuren,

Assistant Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463, notice is hereby given of the meeting of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Drug Testing Advisory Board to be held in December 2004.

On December 7, the Board will meet in an open session from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. The open session will include a Department of Health and Human Services drug testing program update, a Department of Transportation drug testing program update, and a Nuclear Regulatory Commission drug testing program update. Attendance by the public will be limited to space available. Public comments are welcome. Please communicate with the individual listed as contact below to make arrangements to comment or to request special accommodations for persons with disabilities.

The Board will also meet in closed sessions on December 7 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on December 8 from 8:30 a.m. until noon to develop the analytical and administrative policies for the final Revisions to the Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Program that were published as proposed revisions in the **Federal Register** on April 13, 2004 (69 FR 19673). The submissions from 285 commenters have been made available to the public on the Web site <http://workplace.samhsa.gov>. This portion of the meeting must be conducted in closed sessions since discussing such public comments in an open session and then developing the policies will significantly frustrate the Department's ability to develop the Final Notice of Revisions to the Mandatory Guidelines for Federal Workplace Drug Testing Programs. The HHS Office of General Counsel made the determination that such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552(b)(c) of title 5 U.S.C. and therefore may be closed to the public.

A roster of the board members may be obtained from: Mrs. Giselle Hersh, Division of Workplace Programs, 1 Choke Cherry Road, Room 2-1035, Rockville, MD 20857, 240-276-2600 (telephone). The transcript of the open session will be available on the following Web site: <http://workplace.samhsa.gov>. Additional information for this meeting may be

obtained by contacting the individual listed below.

Committee Name: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services, Administration Drug Testing Advisory Board.

Meeting Date: December 7, 2004; 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., December 8, 2004; 8:30 a.m.-Noon.

Place: Residence Inn by Marriott, 7335 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

Type: Open: December 7, 2004; 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m., Closed: December 7, 2004; 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Closed: December 8, 2004; 8:30 a.m.-Noon.

Contact: Donna M. Bush, Ph.D., Executive Secretary, 1 Choke Cherry Road, Room 2-1035, Rockville, Maryland 20857, Email: Donna.Bush@samhsa.hhs.gov, 240-276-2600 (telephone) or 240-276-2610 (fax).

Dated: November 15, 2004.

Toian Vaughn,

Committee Management Officer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DHS-2004-0023]

Homeland Security Advisory Council

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC) will hold a meeting for purposes of (1) receiving reports from Senior Advisory Committees; (2) receiving briefings from DHS staff on Departmental initiatives; and (3) holding roundtable deliberations and discussions among HSAC members.

DATES: The Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC) will hold its next meeting in San Diego, CA on Tuesday, December 14, 2004.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be partially closed; the open portions of the meeting for purposes of (1) above will be held at the Westin Horton Plaza Hotel Library, 910 Broadway Circle, San Diego, CA 92101 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The closed portions of the meeting, for purposes of (2) and (3) above will be held at the Westin Horton Plaza Hotel Harbor Room, 910 Broadway Circle, San Diego, CA 92101 from 8:30 a.m. to 9:20 a.m. and from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

You may submit comments, identified by DHS-2004-0023, by *one* of the following methods:

- EPA Federal Partner EDOCKET Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/feddocket>. Follow instructions for submitting comments on the Web site. The Department of Homeland Security has joined the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) online public docket and comment system on its Partner Electronic Docket System (Partner EDOCKET). The Department of Homeland Security and its agencies (excluding the United States Coast Guard and Transportation Security Administration) will use the EPA Federal Partner EDOCKET system. The USCG and TSA [legacy Department of Transportation (DOT) agencies] will continue to use the DOT Docket Management System until full migration to the electronic rulemaking federal docket management system in 2005.

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- E-mail: HSAC@dhs.gov. Include docket number in the subject line of the message.

- Fax: (202) 772-9718.
- Mail: Mike Miron, Homeland Security Advisory Council, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without change to www.epa.gov/feddocket, including any personal information provided.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.epa.gov/feddocket>. You may also access the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information concerning the meeting, please contact Rich Davis, Jeff Gaynor, Mike Miron, or Candice Stoltz of the HSAC staff via email at HSAC@dhs.gov, or via phone at 202-692-4283.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Attendance: A limited number of members of the public may register to attend the public session on a first-come, first-served basis per the procedures that follow. Security requires that any member of the public who wishes to attend the public session provide his or her name, social security number, and date of birth no later than 5 p.m., EST, Tuesday, December 7, 2004 to the Responsible Agency Officials (listed above) via email at

HSAC@dhs.gov, or via phone at (202) 692-4283. Persons with disabilities who require special assistance should indicate so in their admittance request and are encouraged to indicate their desires to attend as early as possible. Photo identification will be required for entry into the public session, and everyone in attendance must be present and seated by 9:15 a.m.

Basis for Closure: In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), the Secretary has issued a determination that portions of this HSAC meeting will concern matters sensitive to homeland security within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(7) and (c)(9)(B) and that, accordingly, these portions of the meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: November 18, 2004.

Tom Ridge,

Secretary of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Information Collection Renewal Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; OMB Control Number 1018-0102; Special Use Permit Applications on National Wildlife Refuges Outside Alaska Covering 50 CFR 25.41, 25.61, 26.36, 27.71, 27.91, 27.97, 29.1, 29.2, 30.11, 31.2, 31.13, 31.14, 31.16, and 43 CFR 5

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Fish and Wildlife Service (We) is requesting that OMB extend an existing approval to collect information for Special Use Permit Applications on Refuges Outside Alaska. We will use the information that we collect to determine if requested activities are compatible and appropriate with the purpose for which the refuge was established.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before December 27, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on this information collection renewal to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at OMB-OIRA at (202) 395-6566 (fax) or at OIRA_DOCKET@OMB.eop.gov (e-mail). Please provide a copy of your comments to Hope Grey, Information Collection

Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, MS 222-ARLSQ, Arlington, Virginia 22203 (mail); (703) 358-2269 (fax); or hope_grey@fws.gov (e-mail).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection requirement, explanatory information, or related forms, contact Hope Grey at the address or fax number listed above or by telephone at (703) 358-2482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We have sent a request to OMB to renew approval of the information collection requirements for Special Use Permit Applications on National Wildlife Refuges Outside Alaska. Currently we have approval from OMB to collect information under OMB control number 1018-0102. This approval expires on November 30, 2004. We may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless we display a currently valid OMB control number. OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (*see* CFR 1380.8(d)). OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove our information collection request, but their response may be given as early as 30 days after our submittal. Therefore, to ensure consideration, send your comments to OMB by the date listed in the **DATES** section near the beginning of this notice.

On July 16, 2004, we published in the **Federal Register** (69 FR 42762) a 60-day notice of our intent to request renewal of this information collection authority from OMB. In that notice, we solicited public comments for 60 days ending September 14, 2004. We received three comments regarding this notice.

Comment: A commenter felt that (1) the proposal was too vague and we should describe what kind of permits we issue; (2) at an estimate of 25 permits issued per refuge, we were issuing too many permits; and (3) farming activities were incompatible with refuge operations.

Response: (1) The universe of types of permits potentially issued on our 529 national wildlife refuges outside of Alaska prevents us from listing each and every type of permit. We describe a sampling of the types of permits a refuge manager, upon finding an activity compatible, might issue. (2) As to the average estimate of permits issued per refuge, each refuge manager must decide