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Name of Committee: National Cancer
Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Pediatric
Preclinical Testing Consortium.

Date: March 27, 2015.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant
applications.

Place: National Cancer Institute Shady
Grove, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room
7W104, Rockville, MD 20850, (Telephone
Conference Call).

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Name of Committee: National Cancer
Institute Special Emphasis Panel; Cell-Free
Nucleic Acid-Based Assays.

Date: April 13-14, 2015.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract
proposals.

Place: Courtyard Gaithersburg
Washingtonian Center, 204 Boardwalk Place,
Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

Contact Person: Thomas M. Vollberg,
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Information is also available on the
Institute's/Center's home page: [http://
deainfo.nci.nih.gov/advisory/sep/sep.htm](http://deainfo.nci.nih.gov/advisory/sep/sep.htm),
where an agenda and any additional
information for the meeting will be posted
when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance
Program Nos. 93.392, Cancer Construction;
93.393, Cancer Cause and Prevention
Research; 93.394, Cancer Detection and
Diagnosis Research; 93.395, Cancer
Treatment Research; 93.396, Cancer Biology
Research; 93.397, Cancer Centers Support;
93.398, Cancer Research Manpower; 93.399,
Cancer Control, National Institutes of Health,
HHS)

Dated: February 23, 2015.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Solicitation of Proposal Information for Award of Public Contracts

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Procurement
Officer, DHS.

ACTION: 30-Day Notice and request for
comments; extension without change of
a currently approved collection, 1600-
0005.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland
Security, Office of the Chief
Procurement Officer, will submit the
following Information Collection
Request (ICR) 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). DHS previously published this
information collection request (ICR) in
the **Federal Register** on Wednesday,
December 10, 2014 at 79 FR 73329 for
a 60-day public comment period. No
comments were received by DHS. The
60 Day in error identified the OMB
Control No. as 1601-0005. The correct
OMB Control No. for this collection is
1600-0005. The purpose of this notice
is to allow additional 30-days for public
comments.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and
will be accepted until March 30, 2015.
This process is conducted in accordance
with 5 CFR 1320.1.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are
invited to submit written comments on
the proposed information collection to
the Office of Information and Regulatory
Affairs, Office of Management and
Budget. Comments should be addressed
to OMB Desk Officer, Department of
Homeland Security and sent via
electronic mail to
oira_submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed
to (202) 395-5806.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The
Department of Homeland Security
(DHS) and the Office of the Chief
Procurement Officer (OCPO) collect
information when inviting firms to
submit bids, proposals, and offers for
public contracts for supplies and
services. The information collection is
necessary for compliance with the
Homeland Security Acquisition
Regulation (HSAR), 48 CFR Chapter 30,
and the Small Business Innovative
Research (SBIR) and Small Business
Technology Transfer (STTR) programs
15 U.S.C 628.

For solicitations to contract made
through a variety of means, whether
conducted orally or in writing,
contracting officers normally request
information from prospective offerors

such as pricing information, delivery
schedule compliance, and whether the
offeror has the resources (both human
and financial) to accomplish
requirements. Examples of the kinds of
information collected can be found in
the HSAR in Part 9, Part 19 and Part 47,
along with associated solicitation
provisions and contract clauses.

Examples where collections of
information occur in soliciting for
supplies/services include the issuance
of draft Requests for Proposal (RFP),
Requests for Information (RFI), and
Broad Agency Announcements (BAA).
The Government generally issues an
RFP using the uniform contract format
with the intent of awarding a contract to
one or more prospective offerors. The
RFP can require those interested in
making an offer to provide information
in the following areas: Schedule (FAR
15.204-2); contract clauses (FAR
15.204-3); list of documents, exhibits
and other attachments (FAR 15.204-4)
or representations and instructions
(15.204-5). Examples of collections
under the HSAR include:

- 3052.209-70 Prohibition on Contracts
with Corporate Expatriates
- 3052.209-72 Organizational Conflict
of Interest
- 3052.209-74 Limitations on
Contractors Acting as Lead System
Integrators
- 3052.209-76 Prohibition on Federal
Protective Service Guard Services
Contracts with Business Concerns
Owned, Controlled, or Operated by
an Individual Convicted of a Felony
- 3052.219-72 Evaluation of Prime
Contractor Participation in the DHS
Mentor-Protégé Program
- 3052.247-70 F.o.b. Origin Information

The DHS Science and Technology
(S&T) Directorate issues BAAs soliciting
white papers and proposals from the
public. DHS S&T evaluates white papers
and proposals received from the public
in response to a DHS S&T BAA using
the evaluation criteria specified in the
BAA through a peer or scientific review
process in accordance with FAR
35.016(d). White paper evaluation
determines those research ideas that
merit submission of a full proposal and
proposal evaluation determines those
proposals that merit selection for
contract award. Unclassified white
papers and proposals are typically
collected via the DHS S&T BAA secure
Web site, while classified white papers
and proposals must be submitted via
proper classified courier or proper
classified mailing procedures as
described in the National Industrial
Security Program Operating Manual
(NSPOM).

Federal agencies with an annual extramural research and development (R&D) budget exceeding \$100 million are required to participate in the SBIR Program. Similarly, Federal agencies with an extramural R&D budget exceeding \$1 billion are required to participate in the STTR Program.

Federal agencies who participate in the SBIR and STTR programs must collect information from the public to:

(1) Meet their reporting requirements under 15 U.S.C. 638(b)(7), (g)(8), (i), (j)(1)(E), (j)(3)(C), (l), (o)(10), and (v);

(2) Meet the requirement to maintain both a publicly accessible database of SBIR/STTR award information and a government database of SBIR/STTR program evaluation under 15 U.S.C. 638g(10), (k), (o)(9), and (o)(15); and

(3) Meet requirements for public outreach under 15 U.S.C. 638(j)(2)(F), (o)(14), and (s).

The prior information collect request for OMB No. 1600–0005 was approved through February 28, 2015 by OMB in a Notice of OMB Action.

The information being collected is used by the Government's contracting officers and other acquisition personnel, including technical and legal staffs to determine adequacy of technical and management approach, experience, responsibility, responsiveness, expertise of the firms submitting offers, identification of members of the public (*i.e.*, small businesses) who qualify for, and are interested in participating in, the DHS SBIR Program, facilitate SBIR outreach to the public, and provide the DHS SBIR Program Office necessary and sufficient information to determine that proposals submitted by the public to the DHS SBIR Program meet criteria for consideration under the program.

Failure to collect this information would adversely affect the quality of products and services DHS receives from contractors. Potentially, contracts would be awarded to firms without sufficient experience and expertise, thereby placing the Department's operations in jeopardy. Defective and inadequate contractor deliverables would adversely affect DHS's fulfillment of the mission requirements in all areas. Additionally, the Department would be unsuccessful in identifying small businesses with research and development (R&D) capabilities, which would adversely affect the mission requirements in this area.

Many sources of the requested information use automated word processing systems, databases, and web portal to facilitate preparation of material to be submitted and to post and

collect information. It is common place within many of DHS's Components for submissions to be electronic as a result of implementation of e-Government initiatives.

Information technology (*i.e.*, electronic web portal) is used in the collection of information to reduce the data gathering and records management burden. DHS uses a secure Web site which the public can propose SBIR research topics and submit proposals in response to SBIR solicitations. In addition, DHS uses a web portal to review RFIs and register to submit a white paper or proposal in response to a specific BAA. The data collection forms standardize the collection of information that is necessary and sufficient for the DHS SBIR Program Office to meet its requirements under 15 U.S.C. 638.

There has been no change in the information being collected. The reduction in the total annual burden is based on agency estimates. First, the estimate is based on the number of expected contract awards requiring the submission of information has been declining in the last three years.

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

1. 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;

2. 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;

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

4. 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: Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, DHS.

Title: Solicitation of Proposal Information for Award of Public Contracts.

OMB Number: 1600–0005.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Private Sector.

Number of Respondents: 13,612.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 7 hours.

Total Burden Hours: 285,852.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG–2011–1178]

National Preparedness for Response Exercise Program (PREP) Guidelines

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) announces that the updated draft PREP Guidelines are available for public comment. The USCG is publishing this notice on behalf of the National Scheduling Coordination Committee (NSCC), which is comprised of representatives from the USCG; Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) under the Department of Transportation (DOT); and the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) under the Department of the Interior (DOI).

DATES: Comments must reach USCG by April 28, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments and additional materials, identified by USCG docket number USCG–2011–1178, using any one of the following methods:

(1) *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.

(2) *Fax:* 202–493–2251.

(3) *Mail or Delivery:* Docket Management Facility (M–30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590–0001. Deliveries accepted between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202–366–9329.

See the “Public Participation and Request for Comments” portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below for further instructions on submitting comments. To avoid duplication, please use only one of these methods.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For USCG: Mr. Jonathan Smith, Office of Marine Environmental Response Policy, 202–372–2675.

For BSEE: Mr. John Caplis, Oil Spill Preparedness Division, 703–787–1364.