NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts; Arts Advisory Panel

Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), as amended, notice is hereby given that four meetings of the Arts Advisory Panel to the National Council on the Arts will be held at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506 as follows:

- **Literature (Creative Writing Fellowships):** September 14–16, 2005 in Room 716. A portion of this meeting, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday, September 16th, will be open to the public for policy discussion. The remainder of the meeting, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on September 14th, from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on September 15th, and from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. on September 16th, will be closed.

- **Arts Education (Learning in the Arts for Children & Youth Panel #1):** September 22–23, 2005 in Room 716. A portion of this meeting, from 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. on Friday, September 23rd, will be open to the public for policy discussion. The remainder of the meeting, from 9 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. on September 22nd and from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and from 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. on September 23rd, will be closed.

- **Arts Education (Learning in the Arts for Children & Youth Panel #2):** October 3, 2005 in Room 716. A portion of this meeting, from 3 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., will be open to the public for policy discussion. The remainder of the meeting, from 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., will be closed.

- **Arts Education (Learning in the Arts for Children & Youth Panel #3):** October 5–7, 2005 in Room 716. A portion of this meeting, from 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. on Friday, October 7th, will be open to the public for policy discussion. The remainder of the meeting, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on October 5th and October 6th, and from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and from 4:15 p.m. to 5 p.m. on October 7th, will be closed.

The closed portions of meetings are for the purpose of Panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendations on financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of April 8, 2005, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to subsection (c)(6) of section 552b of title 5, United States Code.

Any person may observe meetings, or portions thereof, of advisory panels that are open to the public, and if time allows, may be permitted to participate in the panel’s discussions at the discretion of the panel chairman. If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of AccessAbility, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506, 202/682–5532, TDY–TDD 202/682–5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Ms. Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506, or call 202/682–5691.

Dated: August 9, 2005.
Kathy Plowitz-Worden,
Panel Coordinator, Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee Management; Notice of Establishment

The Director of the National Science Foundation has determined that the establishment of the Advisory Committee for Cyberinfrastructure is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the National Science Foundation (NSF), by 42 U.S.C. 1861 et seq. This determination follows consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration.

Name of Committee: Advisory Committee for Cyberinfrastructure (#25150).

Purpose: Provide perspective and advice to the Cyberinfrastructure Council (CIC) of the National Science Foundation on the agency’s plans and programmatic strategies to develop and support a state-of-the-art cyberinfrastructure that enables significant advances in fields of science and engineering.


Dated: August 10, 2005.

Susanne Bolton,
Committee Management Officer.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Required Interest Rate Assumption for Determining Variable-Rate Premium; Interest Assumptions for Multiemployer Plan Valuations Following Mass Withdrawal

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of interest rates and assumptions.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public of the interest rates and assumptions to be used under certain Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation regulations. These rates and assumptions are published elsewhere (or can be derived from rates published elsewhere), but are collected and published in this notice for the convenience of the public. Interest rates are also published on the PBGC’s Web site (http://www.pbgc.gov).

DATES: The required interest rate for determining the variable-rate premium under part 4006 applies to premium payment years beginning in August 2005. The interest assumptions for performing multiemployer plan valuations following mass withdrawal under part 4281 apply to valuation dates occurring in September 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Catherine B. Kilon, Attorney, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005, 202–326–4024. (TTY/TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1–800–877–8339 and ask to be connected to 202–326–4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Variable-Rate Premiums

Section 4006(a)(3)(E)(iii)(II) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and § 4066.4(b)(1) of the PBGC’s regulations on Premium Rates (29 CFR part 4006) prescribe use of an assumed interest rate (the “required interest rate”) in determining a single-employer plan’s variable-rate premium. Pursuant to the Pension Funding Equity Act of 2004, for premium payment years beginning in 2004 or 2005, the required interest rate is the “applicable percentage” (currently 85 percent) of the annual rate of interest determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on amounts invested conservatively in long-term investment grade corporate bonds for the month preceding the beginning of the plan year for which premiums are being paid. Thus, the required interest rate to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years...
beginning in August 2005 is 4.56 percent (i.e., 85 percent of the 5.37 percent composite corporate bond rate for July 2005 as determined by the Treasury). The following table lists the required interest rates to be used in determining variable-rate premiums for premium payment years beginning between September 2004 and August 2005.

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Multiemployer Plan Valuations
Following Mass Withdrawal

The PBGC’s regulation on Duties of Plan Sponsor Following Mass Withdrawal (29 CFR part 4281) prescribes the use of interest assumptions under the PBGC’s regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044). The interest assumptions applicable to valuation dates in September 2005 under part 4044 are contained in an amendment to part 4044 published elsewhere in today’s Federal Register. Tables showing the assumptions applicable to prior periods are codified in appendix B to 29 CFR part 4044. Issued in Washington, DC, on this 8th day of August, 2005.

Vincent K. Snowbarger,
Deputy Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request for Review of a Revised Information Collection: OPM 2809

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review of a revised information collection. OPM 2809, Health Benefits Election Form, is used by annuitants and former spouses to elect, cancel, suspend or change health benefits enrollment during periods other than open season.

There are approximately 30,000 changes to health benefits coverage per year, of these, 20,000 are submitted on OPM Form 2809 and 10,000 verbally or in written correspondence, Each form takes approximately 45 minutes to complete; data collection by telephone or mail takes approximately 10 minutes. The annual burden for the form is 15,000 hours; the burden not using the form is 1,667 hours. The total burden is 16,667 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, FAX (202) 418-3251 or e-mail mbttoomey@opm.gov. Please include a mailing address with your request.

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—Pamela Israel, Chief, Operations Support Group, Retirement Services Program, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Room 3349, Washington, DC 20415; and Brenda Aguilar, OPM Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, NW., Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.


Linda M. Springer,
Director.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review

Summary: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) has submitted the following proposal(s) for the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval.

Summary of Proposal(s)

(1) Collection title: Student Beneficiary Monitoring.


(3) OMB Number: 3220–0123.

(4) Expiration date of current OMB clearance: 01/31/2007.

(5) Type of request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

(6) Respondents: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit, non-profit institutions.

(7) Estimated annual number of respondents: 900.

(8) Total annual responses: 900.

(9) Total annual reporting hours: 217.

(10) Collection description: Under the Railroad Retirement Act (RRRA), a student benefit is not payable if the student ceases full-time school attendance, marries, works in the railroad industry, has excessive earnings or attains the upper age limit under the RRRA. The report obtains information to be used in determining if benefits should cease or be reduced.

Additional Information or Comments: Copies of the forms and supporting documents can be obtained from Charles Mierzwa, the agency clearance officer at (312) 751–3363 or Charles.Mierzwa@RRB.GOV.

Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to