

as to whether the waste will meet the applicable incidental waste criteria.

Prior to passage of the NDAA, DOE would periodically request the NRC to provide technical advice for specific waste determinations. The staff reviewed DOE's waste determinations to assess whether they had sound technical assumptions, analyses, and conclusions with regard to meeting the applicable incidental waste criteria. Because the enactment of the NDAA is expected to increase the number of waste determinations submitted to the NRC for review, the NRC has decided to develop the draft SRP. The draft SRP provides guidance to the NRC staff on how to conduct a technical review of a waste determination, as well as how to conduct monitoring activities under the NDAA, and will help ensure consistency across different reviews and different reviewers. Because the technical aspects of the NRC's waste determination reviews are expected to be similar for all four sites, regardless of whether the site is covered by the NDAA, the draft SRP will address reviews for the Savannah River Site, Idaho National Laboratory, Hanford, and West Valley.

In November 2005, the NRC held a public scoping meeting in Rockville, MD, to obtain public input on the scope of the SRP. In addition, the NRC published a **Federal Register** notice (FRN) on November 2, 2005, announcing the scoping meeting and stating that written comments on the scope of the SRP would be accepted until November 25, 2005 (70 FR 66472). The transcript of the scoping meeting is publicly available in the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS) under accession number ML053400050. Written comments were received on the proposed scope of the SRP from the Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board (ML053620166), the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (ML053630035), and the Washington State Department of Ecology (ML053630034) and are publicly available in ADAMS.

In December 2005, the NRC published a FRN issuing draft interim guidance for performing concentration averaging for waste determinations (70 FR 74846). The FRN was issued due to high stakeholder interest in obtaining the guidance as soon as practicable due to the ongoing development of waste determinations. The draft interim guidance was open for public comment until January 31, 2006. Comment letters were received from the State of Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (ML060370015), the State of

Washington Department of Ecology (ML060370019), the State of Oregon Department of Energy (ML060370016), Washington Closure Hanford (ML060480401), the Natural Resources Defense Council (ML060370017), and members of the public (ML061030268) and are publicly available in ADAMS. These comments will be considered along with comments received on the draft SRP. As discussed in the December FRN, the concentration averaging guidance is included in this draft SRP and is again open for public comment. Only minor editorial changes have been made to the text of the guidance.

The final SRP will be issued after the NRC staff takes into consideration any public comments received, as appropriate.

II. Further Information

The draft SRP may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/> by selecting "NUREG-1854." It is also available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, you can access the NRC's ADAMS, which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. Recent documents related to reviews of NRC waste determinations can be found in ADAMS under Docket Numbers PROJ0734, PROJ0735, PROJ0736, and POOM-32. If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737 or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

The draft SRP is also available for inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, U.S. NRC's Headquarters Building, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Upon written request and to the extent supplies are available, a single copy of the draft SRP can be obtained for a fee by writing to the Office of the Chief Information Officer, Reproduction and Distribution Services Section, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; or by e-mail to DISTRIBUTION@nrc.gov; or by fax at (310) 415-2289.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 23rd day of May, 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Larry Camper,

Director, Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection, Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Executive Office of the President; Acquisition Advisory Panel; Cancellation of an Upcoming Meeting of the Acquisition Advisory Panel

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President.

ACTION: Cancellation of a Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Office of Management and Budget is issuing this notice to cancel the May 31, 2006 public meeting of the Acquisition Advisory Panel (AAP or "Panel") established in accordance with the Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003.

DATES: The only meeting being cancelled by this notice is the May 31, 2006 meeting.

ADDRESSES: The meeting was to have been held at the Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street, SW., 2nd Floor Eisenhower Conference Room, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Members of the public wishing further information concerning this cancellation notice or any future meetings or the Acquisition Advisory Panel itself, should contact Ms. Laura Auletta, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), at: laura.auletta@gsa.gov, phone/voice mail (202) 208-7279, or mail at: General Services Administration, 1800 F. Street, NW., Room 4006, Washington, DC, 20405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

(a) *Background:* The cancelled meeting was originally announced in the **Federal Register** at 71 FR 25613 on May 1, 2006. Only the May 31, 2006 meeting is being cancelled.

Laura Auletta,

Designated Federal Officer (Executive Director), Acquisition Advisory Panel.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Proposed Submission of Information Collection for OMB Review; Comment Request; Disclosure to Participants

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of intention to request extension of OMB approval.

SUMMARY: The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation ("PBGC") intends to

request that the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) extend approval, under the Paperwork Reduction Act, of the collection of information under its regulation on Disclosure to Participants, 29 CFR part 4011 (OMB control number 1212-0050; expires December 31, 2006). This notice informs the public of the PBGC’s intent and solicits public comment on the collection of information.

DATES: Comments should be submitted by July 31, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to the Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005-4026, or delivered to that address during normal business hours. Comments also may be submitted by e-mail to paperwork.comments@pbgc.gov, or by fax to 202-326-4224. The PBGC will make all comments available on its Web site at <http://www.pbgc.gov>.

Copies of the collection of information may also be obtained without charge by writing to the Disclosure Division of the Office of the General Counsel of PBGC at the above address or by visiting the Disclosure Division or calling 202-326-4040 during normal business hours. (TTY and TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4040.) The Disclosure to Participants regulation may be accessed on the PBGC’s Web site at <http://www.pbgc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Catherine B. Klion, Attorney, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005-4026, 202-326-4024. (For TTY and TDD, call 800-877-8339 and request connection to 202-326-4024).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 4011 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 requires plan administrators of certain underfunded single-employer pension plans to provide an annual notice to plan participants and beneficiaries of the plan’s funding status and the limits on the PBGC’s guarantee.

The PBGC’s regulation implementing this provision (29 CFR part 4011) prescribes which plans are subject to the notice requirement, who is entitled to receive the notice, and the time, form, and manner of issuance of the notice. The notice provides recipients with meaningful, understandable, and timely information that will help them become better informed about their plans and assist them in their financial planning.

The collection of information under the regulation has been approved by OMB under control number 1212-0050 through December 31, 2006. The PBGC intends to request that OMB extend its approval for another three years. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The PBGC estimates that an average of 4,702 plans per year will respond to this collection of information. The PBGC further estimates that the average annual burden of this collection of information is 2.51 hours and \$690 per plan, with an average total annual burden of 11,800 hours and \$3,244,863.

The PBGC is soliciting public comments to—

Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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 submission of responses.

Issued in Washington, DC, this 24th day of May 2006.

Cris Birch,

Acting Chief Technology Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Clearstream Banking, S.A.; Notice of Filing of Application To Continue an Existing Exemption From Clearing Agency Registration

May 23, 2006.

I. Introduction

On April 12, 2005, Clearstream Banking, S.A. (“Clearstream”), successor in name to Cedel Bank, societe anonyme, Luxembourg (“Cedel”), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) pursuant to section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) ¹ and Rule 17Ab2-1 thereunder ² and on March 15, 2006 amended, an amendment to its Form CA-1 to reflect changes in its ownership structure that resulted from the acquisition of Clearstream’s parent company, Cedel International, S.A. (“Cedel International”), by Deutsche Brse AG (“DBAG”). The purpose of the amendment is to seek Commission approval to continue Clearstream’s current exemption from clearing agency registration pursuant to which Clearstream provides, subject to certain conditions, clearance and settlement services for U.S. government securities for its U.S. participants. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comment from interested persons as to whether Clearstream continues to satisfy the requirements of its exemption from clearing agency registration.

II. Background

A. The 1997 Exemptive Order

On February 24, 1997, the Commission granted Cedel a conditional exemption from registration as a clearing agency to enable Cedel to perform certain functions of a clearing agency with respect to transactions involving U.S. government securities and its U.S. participants (“1997 Exemptive Order”).³ Specifically, the 1997 Exemptive Order permitted Cedel to provide clearance, settlement, and collateral management services to U.S. and non-U.S. entities for transactions in the following U.S. government securities: ⁴ (1) Fedwire-eligible U.S. government securities ⁵ and (2) mortgage-backed pass-through securities that are guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association (collectively, “Eligible U.S. Government Securities”).⁶

The 1997 Exemptive Order also imposed two conditions on Cedel’s ability to provide clearance and settlement services for Eligible U.S.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78q-1.

² 17 CFR 240.17Ab2-1.

³ Securities Exchange Act Release No. 38328 (February 24, 1997), 62 FR 9225 (February 28, 1997).

⁴ “Government securities” is defined in section 3(a)(42) of the Act, 15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(42).

⁵ Fedwire is a large-value transfer system operated by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System that supports the electronic transfer of funds and the electronic transfer of book-entry securities. 1997 Exemptive Order at 62 FR 9231 n.58.

⁶ 1997 Exemptive Order at 62 FR 9231.