

3. Publication for comment of proposed amendments to Regulation Z (Truth in Lending) concerning lenders' liability for disclosure errors in real estate-secured loans and new disclosure rules for debt cancellation contracts.

4. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

**Discussion Agenda:** Please note that no discussion items are scheduled for this meeting.

Note: If an item is moved from the Summary Agenda to the Discussion Agenda, discussion of the item will be recorded. Cassettes will then be available for listening in the Board's Freedom of Information Office, and copies can be ordered for \$5 per cassette by calling (202) 452-3684 or by writing to: Freedom of Information Office, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D.C. 20551.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Mr. Joseph R. Coyne, Assistant to the Board; (202) 452-3204.

Dated: May 8, 1996.  
Jennifer J. Johnson,  
*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*  
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## Government in the Sunshine; Meeting Notice

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

**TIME AND DATE:** Approximately 10:15 a.m., Wednesday, May 15, 1996, following a recess at the conclusion of the open meeting.

**PLACE:** Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, C Street entrance between 20th and 21st Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

**STATUS:** Closed.

### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Mr. Joseph R. Coyne, Assistant to the Board; (202) 452-3204. You may call (202) 452-3207, beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before this meeting, for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting.

Dated: May 8, 1996.  
Jennifer J. Johnson,  
*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary

#### Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

Under the authority of Section 6 of Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1953 and Section 2 of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1966, and pursuant to the authorities vested in me as Secretary of Health and Human Services, I hereby make the following changes within the Department of Health and Human Services that affects the U.S. Public Health Service. This Notice amends Part A, Office of the Secretary, Chapter AC, Office of Public Health and Science, as last amended at 60 FR 56605-06. The change is to include the Regional Health Administrator (Regions I-X) and associated staff as part of the Public Health Service. The change follows:

Delete paragraph "VI. Continuation of the Public Health Service," in its entirety and replace with the following:

VI. Continuation of the Public Health Service. The newly established Operating Divisions, the Office of Public Health and Science, and the Regional Health Administrator (Regions I-X) and associated staff shall constitute the Public Health Service.

Dated: April 30, 1996.  
Donna E. Shalala,  
*Secretary.*  
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## Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

### [Announcement Number 617]

#### National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health; Occupational Radiation and Energy-Related Health Research Grants; Notice of Availability of Funds for Fiscal Year 1996

##### Introduction

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), announces that applications are being accepted for research projects relating to occupational safety and health concerns associated with occupational exposures to radiation and other hazardous agents at nuclear

facilities and in other energy-related industries. Studies in the nuclear power industry and deliberate exposure of human subjects in radiation experiments are outside the scope of this announcement.

CDC is committed to achieving the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of "Healthy People 2000," a national activity to reduce morbidity and mortality and improve the quality of life. This announcement is related to the priority area of Occupational Safety and Health. (For ordering a copy of "Healthy People 2000," see the section "Where to Obtain Additional Information.")

##### Authority

This program is authorized under the Public Health Service Act, as amended, Section 301(a) (42 U.S.C. 241(a)); the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, Section 20 (a) (29 U.S.C. 669(a)). The applicable program regulations include 42 CFR Parts 52 and 74.

##### Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants include domestic and foreign non-profit and for-profit organizations, universities, colleges, research institutions, and other public and private organizations, including State and local governments and small, minority and/or woman-owned businesses.

##### Smoke-Free Workplace

CDC strongly encourages all grant recipients to provide a smoke-free workplace and promote the nonuse of all tobacco products, and Public Law 103-227, the Pro-Children Act of 1994, prohibits smoking in certain facilities that receive Federal funds in which education, library, day care, health care, and early childhood development services are provided to children.

##### Availability of Funds

Approximately \$500,000 is available in fiscal year (FY) 1996 to fund approximately 3 to 5 research project grants. The amount of funding available may vary and is subject to change. Awards will range from \$25,000 to \$200,000 in total costs (direct and indirect) per year. Awards are expected to begin on or about September 1, 1996. Awards will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period not to exceed 3 years. Continuation awards within the project period will be made on the basis of satisfactory progress and availability of funds.

##### Purpose

NIOSH will support hypothesis-testing research projects to identify and

investigate the relationships between health outcomes and occupational exposure to radiation and other hazardous agents, epidemiologic methods research relevant to energy-related occupational health research, and research related to assessing occupational exposures.

#### Programmatic Interest

The focus of grants should emphasize field research in the following topical areas: (1) Retrospective exposure assessment, (2) radiation measurement issues, (3) non-cancer morbidity and mortality outcomes, (4) meta-analysis and combined analysis methodologies, (5) uncertainty analysis, and (6) studies of current workers.

##### *(1) Retrospective Exposure Assessment*

Epidemiologic studies of occupational cohorts frequently involve, and can generally benefit from, retrospective exposure assessment to provide estimates of exposure or categorize groups of workers by common exposure. Exposure assessment in energy-related occupational epidemiology requires evaluating exposures to various hazards including ionizing and non-ionizing radiation, metals, acids, and solvents. Grant opportunities encompass the fields of industrial hygiene and retrospective exposure assessment of health physics dosimetry. Research areas of general interest include investigations of: Methods to use limited data to best advantage, how to treat censored data in retrospective exposure assessment, uncertainty analysis techniques for industrial hygiene exposure data and health physics dosimetry, sampling strategy design to yield a representative understanding of exposed groups, decision logic to select and use the most appropriate exposure metric for epidemiologic and risk assessment use, and, development approaches of "Homogeneous Exposed Groupings" and the advantages and limitations for epidemiologic use. Research opportunities of specific interest include: reconstruction and dose adjustment of historic film badges; exposure assessment for acid mists, carcinogenic solvents, exotic metals, and leukemogens; assessment of electromagnetic field exposure; and evaluation of biomarkers of exposure.

##### *(2) Radiation Measurement Issues*

This topic will focus on the applicability and utility of both internal and external radiation dose data in epidemiologic research. Examples of such issues include how to use nondetectable values, missing dose data

in historical radiation exposure measurements, and the accuracy of historical external dosimetry techniques (film and pocket dosimeters). Additional issues of interest include the use, utility and limitations of internal dosimetry data (historical bioassay and radiochemistry techniques) in epidemiologic studies.

##### *(3) Non-Cancer Morbidity and Mortality Outcomes*

The majority of analytical epidemiologic research of health effects of energy-related occupational and environmental exposures has focused historically on the assessment of the association between cancer mortality and exposure to ionizing radiation. Although the importance of this research should not be underestimated, it is essential that other potential adverse health effects, as well as other possible energy-related exposures, be thoroughly evaluated as well. Among these are the possible effects of radiation on the reproductive, neurologic, and immune systems. Chemical exposures highly prevalent in Department of Energy facilities, such as exposures to beryllium and mercury, have also been associated with a variety of disease outcomes, particularly respiratory and neurologic in nature.

##### *(4) Meta-Analysis and Combined Analysis Methodologies*

Many of the cohorts at nuclear facilities are not individually large enough to detect statistically significant increases in mortality or incidence for rare cancer types. Methods and analyses for combining data across studies, whether in summary form or as individual data, are valuable to the NIOSH research effort involving energy-related health research.

##### *(5) Uncertainty Analysis*

Measures of occupational exposure are inherently uncertain. Even when measures of external radiation exposure are generally available, the models used to estimate organ dose, shallow versus deep dose, neutron dose, etc., are subject to error. Measures of dose derived from biological monitoring of urine, feces, blood, etc., are even less precise. Methods for assessing the degree of error in various estimates of exposure to both ionizing radiation as well as other toxic agents (chemicals, EMF, etc.) are desirable.

##### *(6) Studies of Current Workers*

Much of the epidemiologic research on nuclear workers conducted at nuclear facilities and other sites has emphasized retrospective studies. More

recently new activities involve environmental restoration, waste management and other work that is not related to the design and production of nuclear weapons. Workers are being exposed to radiation and other hazardous agents under conditions and in processes not previously encountered. Hypothesis-testing research in the areas of exposure assessment, epidemiologic and related studies are needed to evaluate these new conditions and processes and the impact on worker health.

#### Women and Minority Inclusion Policy

It is the policy of the CDC to ensure that women and racial and ethnic groups will be included in CDC supported research projects involving human subjects, whenever feasible and appropriate. Racial and ethnic groups are those defined in OMB Directive No. 15 and include American Indian, Alaskan Native, Asian, Pacific Islander, Black and Hispanic. Applicants shall ensure that women and racial and ethnic minority populations are appropriately represented in applications for research involving human subjects. Where clear and compelling rationale exist that inclusion is not feasible, this situation must be explained as part of the application. In conducting the review of applications for scientific merit, review groups will evaluate proposed plans for inclusion of minorities and both sexes as part of the scientific assessment and assigned score. This policy does not apply to research studies when the investigator cannot control the race, ethnicity and/or sex of subjects. Further guidance to this policy is contained in the Federal Register, Vol. 60, No. 179, Friday, September 15, 1995, pages 47947-47951.

#### Evaluation Criteria

Upon receipt, applications will be reviewed by CDC for completeness and responsiveness. Applications determined to be incomplete or unresponsive to this announcement will be returned to the applicant without further consideration. If the proposed project involves organizations or persons other than those affiliated with the applicant organization, letters of support and/or cooperation must be included.

Applications that are complete and responsive to the announcement will be evaluated for scientific and technical merit by an appropriate peer review group convened by CDC in accordance with the review criteria stated below. As part of the initial merit review, a process may be used by the initial review group

in which applications will be determined to be competitive or non-competitive based on their scientific merit relative to other applications received in response to this announcement. Applications judged to be competitive will be discussed and assigned a priority score. Applications determined to be non-competitive will be withdrawn from further consideration and the principal investigator/program director and the official signing for the applicant organization will be promptly notified.

Review criteria for this announcement are as follows:

- Scientific, technical, or medical significance and originality of proposed research;
- Appropriateness and adequacy of the experimental approach and methodology proposed to carry out the research;
- Qualifications and research experience of the Principal Investigator and staff, particularly but not exclusively in the area of the proposed research;
- Availability of resources necessary to perform the research;
- Adequacy of plans to include both sexes and minorities and their subgroups as appropriate for the scientific goals of the research. Plans for the recruitment and retention of subjects will also be evaluated.

The review group will critically examine the submitted budget and will recommend an appropriate budget and period of support for each scored application.

In the secondary (programmatic importance) review, the following factors will be considered:

1. Results of the initial review;
2. Magnitude of the problem in terms of numbers of workers affected;
3. Severity of the disease or injury in the worker population; and
4. Usefulness to applied technical knowledge in the identification, evaluation, and/or control of occupational safety and health hazards.

Applicants will compete for available funds with all other approved applications. The following will be considered in making funding decisions:

1. Quality of the proposed project as determined by peer review;
2. Availability of funds; and
3. Program balance among research areas of the announcement.

#### Executive Order 12372 Review

Applications are not subject to the review requirements of Executive Order 12372, entitled Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs.

#### Public Health System Reporting Requirement

This program is not subject to the Public Health System Reporting Requirements.

#### Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number is 93.262.

#### Other Requirements

##### *Human Subjects*

If the proposed project involves research on human subjects, the applicant must comply with the Department of Health and Human Services Regulations (45 CFR Part 46) regarding the protection of human subjects. Assurance must be provided to demonstrate that the project will be subject to initial and continuing review by an appropriate institutional review committee. The applicant will be responsible for providing assurance in accordance with the appropriate guidelines and form provided in the application kit.

##### *Confidentiality Agreement*

To comply with the routine uses allowing access to Department of Energy (DOE) Privacy Act systems of records, grantees who will be accessing DOE records to conduct epidemiologic studies and/or other public health activities on behalf of NIOSH will be asked to sign a written statement that documents data security procedures to be maintained by the grantee and an agreement to comply with the privacy and confidentiality requirements of the Privacy Act routine uses and the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Energy and the Department of Health and Human Services.

#### Application Submission and Deadlines

##### A. Preapplication Letter of Intent

Although not a prerequisite of application, a non-binding letter of intent-to-apply is requested from potential applicants. The letter should be submitted to the Grants Management Officer (whose address is reflected in section B, "Applications"). It should be postmarked no later than June 10, 1996. The letter should identify the announcement number, name of principal investigator, and specify the priority area to be addressed by the proposed project. The letter of intent does not influence review or funding decisions, but it will enable CDC to plan the review more efficiently, and will ensure that each applicant receives

timely and relevant information prior to application submission.

##### B. Applications

Applicants should use Form PHS-398 (OMB Number 0925-0001) and adhere to the ERRATA Instruction Sheet for Form PHS-398 contained in the Grant Application Kit. Please submit an original and five copies on or before July 10, 1996 to: Ron Van Dyne, Grants Management Officer, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, (CDC), 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., Room 300, MS-E13, Atlanta, GA 30305.

##### C. Deadlines

1. Applications shall be considered as meeting a deadline if they are either:

A. Received at the above address on or before the deadline date, or

B. Sent on or before the deadline date to the above address, and received in time for the review process. Applicants should request a legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark or obtain a legibly dated receipt from a commercial carrier or the U.S. Postal Service. Private metered postmarks shall not be accepted as proof of timely mailings.

2. Applications which do not meet the criteria above are considered late applications and will be returned to the applicant.

#### Where To Obtain Additional Information

To receive additional written information call (404) 332-4561. You will be asked your name, address, and phone number and will need to refer to Announcement 617. In addition, this announcement is also available through the CDC Home Page on the Internet. The address for the CDC Home Page is <http://www.cdc.gov>. You will receive a complete program description, information on application procedures, and application forms. If you have questions after reviewing the contents of all the documents, business management technical assistance may be obtained from Georgia Jang, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., MS-E13, Atlanta, GA 30305, telephone (404) 842-6796; fax: 404-842-6513; internet: [glj2@opspgo1.em.cdc.gov](mailto:glj2@opspgo1.em.cdc.gov). Programmatic technical assistance may be obtained from Roy M. Fleming, Sc.D., Associate Director for Grants, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 1600 Clifton Road,

NE., Building 1, Room 3053, MS-D30, Atlanta, GA 30333, telephone: 404-639-3343; fax: 404-639-4616; internet: rmf2@niod1.em.cdc.gov.

Please Refer to Announcement Number 617 When Requesting Information and Submitting an Application

Potential applicants may obtain a copy of "Healthy People 2000" (Full Report, Stock No. 017-001-00474-0) or "Healthy People 2000" (Summary Report, Stock No. 017-001-00473-1) through the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402-9325, telephone (202) 512-1800.

Dated: May 2, 1996.  
Donald L. Holderman,  
*Acting Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).*  
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### Administration for Children and Families

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

*Title:* Welfare Reform Demonstration: Special Application Form.

OMB No.: 0970-0134.

*Description:* The form will be used by State welfare agencies to apply for federal waivers under the 30-day waiver approval process proposed by the President in his July 31, 1995, speech to the National Governors' Association. Under the process, requests for waivers of federal law for welfare demonstration projects falling within any of five broad policy areas will be approved by the federal government within 30 days of receipt of this request.

*Respondents:* State governments.

*Annual Burden Estimates:*

| Instrument | Number of respondents | Number of responses per respondent | Average burden hours per response | Total burden hours |
|------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Form ..... | 54                    | 1                                  | .75                               | 40.5               |

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 40.5.

*Additional Information:* Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Information Services, Division of Information Resource Management Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer.

*OMB Comment:* OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503, Attn: Ms. Wendy Taylor.

Dated: April 19, 1996.  
Roberta Katson,  
*Director, Office of Information Resource Management Services.*  
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### Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 96F-0136]

### Johnson Matthey Chemicals; Filing of Food Additive Petition

**AGENCY:** Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

### **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Johnson Matthey Chemicals has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of silver chloride-coated titanium dioxide as a preservative in polymeric coatings for polyolefin films intended for use in contact with food.

**DATES:** Written comments on petitioner's environmental assessment by June 10, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 12420 Parklawn Dr., rm. 1-23, Rockville, MD 20857.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Vir D. Anand, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-216), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3081.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 6B4503) has been filed on behalf of Johnson Matthey Chemicals, c/o Technical Assessment Systems, Inc., The Flour Mill, 1000 Potomac St. NW., Washington, DC 20007. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in § 175.320 *Resinous and polymeric coatings for polyolefin films* (21 CFR 175.320) to provide for the safe use of silver chloride-coated titanium dioxide as a preservative in polymeric

coatings for polyolefin films intended for use in contact with food.

The potential environmental impact of this action is being reviewed. To encourage public participation consistent with regulations promulgated under the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1501.4(b)), the agency is placing the environmental assessment submitted with the petition that is the subject of this notice on display at the Dockets Management Branch (address above) for public review and comment. Interested persons may, on or before June 10, 1996, submit to the Dockets Management Branch (address above) written comments. Two copies of any 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. Received comments may be seen in the office above between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. FDA will also place on public display any amendments to, or comments on, the petitioner's environmental assessment without further announcement in the Federal Register. If, based on its review, the agency finds that an environmental impact statement is not required and this petition results in a regulation, the notice of availability of the agency's finding of no significant impact and the evidence supporting that finding will be published with the regulation in the Federal Register in accordance with 21 CFR 25.40(c).