standards also require plans when one of these sites is to be abandoned. And plans are required when spontaneous fires erupt and need to be extinguished at the burning site. Records of weekly inspections and instrument monitoring are also required to ensure that the sites remain safe. Finally, the mine operators are also required to submit an annual status report and certification that guarantees that the site is being constructed in accordance with the approved plan, and the site has not been altered during the construction year.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

Currently, the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection requirement related to the Refuse Piles and Impoundment Structures, Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements. MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

* Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of MSHA's functions, including whether the information has practical utility;

* Evaluate the accuracy of MSHA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

* Suggest methods to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

* Address 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) to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

Å copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the employee listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice or viewed on the Internet by accessing the MSHA home page (http://www.msha.gov) and then choosing "Statutory and Regulatory Information" and "Federal Register Documents."

III. Current Actions

There are approximately 740 coal mine impounding structures and 30 hazardous refuse piles, for a total of 770 sites. All impoundments and hazardous refuse piles are required by the standards to be constructed and operated in an approved manner. In addition, coal mine operators frequently revise construction plans to accommodate mining conditions, cycles or markets. Since these revisions to the

structures can adversely affect a great number of people, such changes are required to be planned in a prudent manner and approved by the agency. Fire extinguishing plans are only required from an operator when a spontaneous combustion has occurred, and the operator is directed to extinguish the fire. Inspections on a weekly basis, or inspections at a longer interval for long established and stable impoundments (after the regulation changes in 1992), are required to ensure that precipitation, seismic activity, or perhaps an unknown construction flaw, has not adversely affected any part of the dam site. The annual status report and certification ensures that the company's engineers confirm that the site is in accordance with the approved engineering plan. An abandonment plan approved by the agency ensures that a hazardous site is not left in place after all mining activity has ceased.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Title: Impounding Safety and Refuse Piles, Reporting Requirements, Certifications and Recordkeeping.

OMB Number: 1219-0015.

Recordkeeping: 3 years.

Frequency: Annually and 17 times a year.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc.: 30 CFR Sections 77.215 and 77.216.

Total Respondents: 770.

Total Responses: 12,885.

Average Time Per Response: 8 hours. Estimated Total Burden Hours: 96 432

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Total Operating and Maintenance Costs: \$0.

Total Burden Cost (Capital/Startup): None.

Total Burden Cost (Operating/Maintaining): None.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated at Arlington, Virginia, this 19th day of October, 2004.

David L. Meyer,

Director, Office of Administration and Management.

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MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION

[MCC FR 04-11]

Notice of November 8, 2004 Millennium Challenge Corporation Board of Directors Meeting; Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: Millennium Challenge Corporation.

TIME AND DATE: 2–4 p.m., Monday, November 8, 2004.

PLACE: Department of State, C Street Entrance, Washington, DC 20520.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Information on the meeting may be obtained from Joyce B. Lanham at (202) 521–3861.

STATUS: Meeting will be open to the public from 2 p.m. until conclusion of the administrative session; a closed session will commence immediately following the conclusion of the open session, at approximately 2:20 p.m.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC") will hold a quarterly meeting of the Board to consider the selection of countries that will be eligible for Millennium Challenge Account ("MCA") assistance in FY2005 under Section 607 of the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, codified at 22 U.S.C. 7706, and certain administrative matters. The majority of the meeting will be devoted to a discussion of MCA candidate countries, which is expected to involve the consideration of classified information and will be closed to the public. The Board may also consider certain matters related solely to the internal practices of MCC during the closed session. A brief open session that will include a CEO update for the Board on MCC operations will precede the closed session.

Due to security requirements at the meeting location, all individuals wishing to attend the open portion of the meeting are encouraged to arrive at least 20 minutes before the meeting begins and comply with all relevant security requirements of the Department of State. Those planning to attend must notify Joyce Lanham at (202) 521-3861 or via email at lanhamjb@mcc.gov by noon on Wednesday, November 3, 2004, with the following information: full name, telephone number, e-mail address, affiliation/company name, social security number and date of birth. Please bring a photo ID with you on the day of the meeting. Seating for the brief open session will be available on a first come, first served basis.

Dated: October 25, 2004.

Jon A. Dvck,

Vice President and General Counsel, Millennium Challenge Corporation.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Records Schedules; Availability and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed records schedules; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) publishes notice at least once monthly of certain Federal agency requests for records disposition authority (records schedules). Once approved by NARA, records schedules provide mandatory instructions on what happens to records when no longer needed for current Government business. They authorize the preservation of records of continuing value in the National Archives of the United States and the destruction, after a specified period, of records lacking administrative, legal, research, or other value. Notice is published for records schedules in which agencies propose to destroy records not previously authorized for disposal or reduce the retention period of records already authorized for disposal. NARA invites public comments on such records schedules, as required by 44 U.S.C. 3303a(a).

DATES: Requests for copies must be received in writing on or before December 13, 2004. Once the appraisal of the records is completed, NARA will send a copy of the schedule. NARA staff usually prepare appraisal memorandums that contain additional information concerning the records covered by a proposed schedule. These, too, may be requested and will be provided once the appraisal is completed. Requesters will be given 30 days to submit comments.

ADDRESSES: You may request a copy of any records schedule identified in this notice by contacting the Life Cycle Management Division (NWML) using one of the following means: Mail: NARA (NWML), 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740–6001. E-mail: records.mgt@nara.gov. FAX: 301–837–3698.

Requesters must cite the control number, which appears in parentheses after the name of the agency which submitted the schedule, and must provide a mailing address. Those who desire appraisal reports should so indicate in their request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul M. Wester, Jr., Director, Life Cycle Management Division (NWML), National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740–6001. Telephone: 301–837–3120. E-mail: records.mgt@nara.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each year Federal agencies create billions of records on paper, film, magnetic tape, and other media. To control this accumulation, agency records managers prepare schedules proposing retention periods for records and submit these schedules for NARA's approval, using the Standard Form (SF) 115, Request for Records Disposition Authority. These schedules provide for the timely transfer into the National Archives of historically valuable records and authorize the disposal of all other records after the agency no longer needs them to conduct its business. Some schedules are comprehensive and cover all the records of an agency or one of its major subdivisions. Most schedules, however, cover records of only one office or program or a few series of records. Many of these update previously approved schedules, and some include records proposed as permanent.

No Federal records are authorized for destruction without the approval of the Archivist of the United States. This approval is granted only after a thorough consideration of their administrative use by the agency of origin, the rights of the Government and of private persons directly affected by the Government's activities, and whether or not they have historical or other value.

Besides identifying the Federal agencies and any subdivisions requesting disposition authority, this public notice lists the organizational unit(s) accumulating the records or indicates agency-wide applicability in the case of schedules that cover records that may be accumulated throughout an agency. This notice provides the control number assigned to each schedule, the total number of schedule items, and the number of temporary items (the records proposed for destruction). It also includes a brief description of the temporary records. The records schedule itself contains a full description of the records at the file unit level as well as their disposition. If NARA staff has prepared an appraisal memorandum for the schedule, it too

includes information about the records. Further information about the disposition process is available on request.

Schedules Pending

- 1. Department of the Army, Agencywide (N1-AU-04-02, 2 items, 2 temporary items). Electronic copies of records created using electronic mail and word processing that are associated with a registry containing personal demographic data on individuals participating in medical research. This schedule, which applies to records in all media, also increases to 75 years the retention period for the registry, which was previously approved for disposal.
- 2. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (N1–370–04–4, 18 items, 18 temporary items). Records of the National Ocean Service, including such files as software created in-house (with accompanying manuals), application software, data and technical documentation for electronic models and expert systems, and data, system documentation, inputs, and outputs for tracking systems associated with operating plans, controlled correspondence, and memorandums of agreement.
- 3. Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration (N1-88-03-5, 84 items, 83 temporary items). Records of the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research relating to research, compliance, manufacturing, testing, approval, and inspection activities associated with regulating biological products. Included are such records as product license applications, production establishment license applications, applications to test prototype products on humans, inspection and investigation reports, adverse experience reports, new drug applications, general correspondence, advisory committee administrative files, export request files, and market withdrawal files. Also included are electronic copies of documents created using electronic mail and word processing. Proposed for permanent retention are recordkeeping copies of product efficacy review final reports. This schedule authorizes the agency to apply the proposed disposition instructions to any recordkeeping
- 4. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (N1–170–04–10, 3 items, 3 temporary items). Sound and video recordings accumulated in the course of investigations and intelligence operations.