

the final Settlement Agreement and Order.

31. Upon final acceptance of this Agreement by the Commission and issuance of the Final Order, Respondent knowingly, voluntarily, and completely waives any rights it may have in this matter (1) to an administrative hearing, (2) to judicial review or other challenge or contest of the validity of the Commission's actions, (3) to a determination by the Commission as to whether Respondent failed to comply with CPSA and the underlying regulations, (4) to a statement of findings of fact and conclusions of law and (5) to any claims under the Equal Access to Justice Act.

32. Upon provisional acceptance of this Agreement by the Commission, this Agreement shall be placed on the public record and shall be published in the **Federal Register** in accordance with the procedures set forth in 16 CFR 1118.20(e). If the Commission does not receive any written obligations within 15 days, the Agreement will be deemed finally accepted on the 16th day after the date it is published in the **Federal Register**.

33. The Commission may publicize the terms of this Settlement Agreement and Order upon provisional acceptance of this Agreement by the Commission.

34. HB/PS's full and timely payment to the United States Treasury of a civil penalty in the amount of one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) resolves the allegations in paragraphs 4–23 above with respect to (a) HB/PS, (b) any HB/PS parent, subsidiary, affiliate, division, or related entity; (c) any shareholder, director, officer, employee, agent or attorney of any entity referenced in (a) or (b) above; and (d) any successor, heir, or assign of any entity referenced in (a), (b), or (c) above.

35. The Commission's Order in this matter is issued under the provisions of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2051–2084.

Violation of this Order may subject Respondent to appropriate legal action.

36. This Settlement Agreement may be used in interpreting the Order. Agreements, understandings, representations, or interpretations apart from those contained in this Settlement Agreement and Order may not be used to vary or contradict its terms.

37. The provisions of this Settlement Agreement and Order shall apply to Respondent, its parent, and each of their successors and assigns.

Dated: March 24, 2005.

Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc.  
Kathleen Diller.  
Eric A. Rubel,

*Respondent's Attorney.*

Dated: March 28, 2005.

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

John Gibson Mullan,  
*Director, Office of Compliance.*

Eric L. Stone,  
*Director, Legal Division, Office of Compliance.*

Andrea S. Paterson,  
*Trial Attorney, Legal Division, Office of Compliance.*

#### Order

Upon consideration of the Settlement Agreement between Respondent Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc., and the staff of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and the Commission having jurisdiction over the subject matter and over Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc., and it appearing that the Settlement Agreement and Order is in the public interest, it is Ordered that the Settlement Agreement be, and hereby is, accepted and it is Further ordered that Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc., shall pay the United States Treasury a civil penalty in the amount of one million, two-hundred thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$1,200,000.00), payable within twenty (20) days of the service of the Final Order upon Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc. Upon the failure of Hamilton Beach/Proctor-Silex, Inc., to make payment or upon the making of a late payment by Respondent (a) the entire amount of the civil penalty shall be due and payable, and (b) interest on the outstanding balance shall accrue and paid at the federal legal rate of interest under the provisions of 28 U.S.C. 1961(a) and (b).

Provisionally accepted and Provisional Order issued on the 30th day of March 2005.

By order of the Commission.

Todd A. Stevenson,  
*Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.*

Finally accepted and Final Order issued on the \_\_\_\_ day of 2005.

By order of the Commission.

Todd A. Stevenson,  
*Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.*

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Military Service Academies—open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 96–463, notice is hereby given that the Defense Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at the Military Service Academies will hold an open meeting at the Courtyard Marriott, 2700 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, on April 20, 2005, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Be advised that the Task Force determined on March 31, 2005, that this additional meeting is necessary to ensure the report to the Secretary of Defense is delivered within the Task Force's scheduled deadline.

**Purpose:** The Task Force will meet on April 20, 2005, from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. This session will be open to the public, subject to the availability of space. In keeping with the spirit of Federal Advisory Committee Act, it is the desire of the Task Force to provide the public with an opportunity to make comment regarding the current work of the Task Force. The first hour of the meeting will be designated for any public comment. During the final two hours, the Task Force as a whole will discuss findings and recommendations regarding victims' rights and services, accountability, training, and community collaboration at the U.S. Military and Naval Academies. Any interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

**DATES:** April 20, 2005 1 p.m.–4 p.m.

**Location:** The Courtyard Marriott, 2700 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing further information concerning this meeting or wishing to submit comments must contact: Mr. William Harkey, Public Affairs Officer, Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at the Military Service Academies, 2850 Eisenhower Ave, Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; telephone: (703) 325–6640; DSN# 221–6640; Fax: (703) 325–6710/6711; [william.harkey.CTR@wso.whs.mil](mailto:william.harkey.CTR@wso.whs.mil).

Interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Task Force and make an oral presentation of such. Persons desiring to make an oral presentation or submit a written statement to the Committee must notify the point of contact listed above no later than 5 p.m., April 15, 2005. Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted only on April 20, 2005, from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. before the full Task Force. Presentations will be limited to ten (10) minutes each. Number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public

#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

##### Notice of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at the Military Service Academies—Open Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice; Defense Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at the

and the time allotted. Each person desiring to make an oral presentation must provide the point of contact listed above with one (1) written copy of the presentation by 5 p.m., April 15, 2005, and bring 15 written copies of any material that is intended for distribution at the meeting. Persons submitting a written statement must submit 15 written copies of the statement to the Task Force staff by 5 p.m. on April 15, 2005.

*General Information:* Additional information concerning the Defense Task Force on Sexual Harassment and Violence at The Military Service Academies, its structure, function, and composition, may be found on the DTFSH and VTMA Web site (<http://www.dtic.mil/dtfs>).

Dated: April 1, 2005.

**Jeannette Owings-Ballard,**

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,  
Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs; Meeting of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

**AGENCY:** Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

**ACTION:** Notice.

(1) Approval of Minutes—February 8, 2005.

(2) Faculty Matters.

(3) Departmental Reports.

(4) Financial Report.

(5) Report—Interim President, USUHS.

(6) Report—Dean, School of Medicine.

(7) Report—Dean, Graduate School of Nursing.

(8) Approval of Degrees—School of Medicine; Graduate School of Nursing.

(9) Comments—Chairman, Board of Regents.

(10) New Business.

**DATES:** May 20, 2005, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Board of Regents Conference Room (D3001), 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-4799.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barry W. Wolcott, M.D., Executive Secretary, Board of Regents, (301) 295-3681.

Dated: March 31, 2005.

**Jeannette Owings-Ballard,**

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Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### The Federal Student Aid Programs Under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as Amended

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice inviting letters of application for participation in the Quality Assurance Program.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Education invites institutions of higher education that may wish to participate in the Quality Assurance Program, under section 487A(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), to submit a letter of application to participate in the program.

**DATES:** Letters of application may be submitted any time after April 6, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Institutions wishing to apply to participate in the Quality Assurance Program may do so by mailing a letter of application to Barbara Mroz, Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education, 830 First Street, NE., room 84F1, Washington, DC 20202-5232 or by submitting a letter of application electronically to Barbara Mroz at: [Barbara.Mroz@ed.gov](mailto:Barbara.Mroz@ed.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharyn Hutson, Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education, 830 First Street, NE., room 83G3, Washington, DC 20202-5232. Telephone: (202) 377-4379, or via e-mail: [Sharyn.Hutson@ed.gov](mailto:Sharyn.Hutson@ed.gov).

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-888-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audio tape or computer diskette) on request by contacting the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

Institutions of higher education are invited to join the Department in an effort to simplify regulations and administrative processes for the Federal Student Aid (FSA) Programs authorized by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). The vision of the Quality Assurance Program, with 145 institutions currently participating,

is to provide tools that help all Title IV institutions promote better service to students, compliance, and continuous improvement in program delivery. The program encourages participating institutions to develop and implement their own comprehensive systems to verify student financial aid application data, and continually assess compliance to Federal requirements.

The Secretary is authorized to provide participating institutions with regulatory flexibility for the verification of student data, and to encourage alternative approaches that improve award accuracy.

The Secretary believes that the process of continuous improvement fostered by the institutions already participating in the Quality Assurance Program has enhanced not only the accuracy of student aid awards and payments, but also the management of student aid offices and the delivery of services to students.

#### Features of the Program

The mission of the Quality Assurance Program is to help schools attain, sustain, and advance exceptional student aid delivery and service excellence. For the past 19 years, the program has done that by providing participating institutions with the flexibility to design an institutional verification program that more directly focuses on their own population segments. It has also helped them target areas of administration that affect award accuracy or that may leave the institution vulnerable to potential liabilities.

The Quality Assurance Program has given institutions the tools and techniques to assess, measure, analyze, correct and prevent problems, and has provided them with data on which to base their decisions for solving problems and addressing verification issues.

The Secretary encourages institutions participating in the Quality Assurance Program to evaluate their student aid or verification policies and procedures and adopt improvements in those procedures. Institutions measure performance and test the effectiveness of their verification program by using the Department's ISIR Analysis Tool. The ISIR Analysis Tool is a web-based software product that provides Financial Aid Administrators with an in-depth analysis of their applicant population. It allows them to see not only which FAFSA elements changed when verified, but also what impact these changes have upon the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and aid eligibility. This analysis helps Financial