

<sup>10</sup> Respondents will be collaboration structure staff.

Written comments and recommendations concerning the proposed information collection should be sent by February 13, 2006 to: SAMHSA Desk Officer, Human Resources and Housing Branch, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; due to potential delays in OMB's receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, respondents are encouraged to submit comments by fax to: 202-395-6974.

Dated: January 9, 2006.

**Anna Marsh,**

*Director, Office of Program Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. NCS-2006-0001]

### Preparedness Directorate; National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Preparedness Directorate, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of partially closed advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee (NSTAC) will meet in a partially closed session.

**DATES:** Tuesday, January 31, 2006, from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place by teleconference. For access to the conference bridge and meeting materials, contact Mr. William Fuller at (703) 235-5521, or by e-mail at [William.C.Fuller@dhs.gov](mailto:William.C.Fuller@dhs.gov) by 5 p.m. on Friday, January 27, 2006. If you desire to submit comments, they must be submitted by February 6, 2006. Comments must be identified by NCS-2006-0001 and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *E-mail:* [NSTAC@dhs.gov](mailto:NSTAC@dhs.gov). Include docket number in the subject line of the message.
- *Mail:* Office of the Manager, National Communications System (N5), Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20529.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the words "Department of Homeland Security" and NCS-2006-0001, the docket number for this action.

Comments received will be posted without alteration at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received by the NSTAC, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Alberta Ross, Industry Operations Branch at (703) 235-5526, e-mail: [Alberta.Ross@dhs.gov](mailto:Alberta.Ross@dhs.gov) or write the Deputy Manager, National Communications System, Department of Homeland Security, IP/NCS/N5.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NSTAC advises the President of the United States on issues and problems related to implementing national security and emergency preparedness (NS/EP) telecommunications policy. Notice of this meeting and the partial closure thereof is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.1 *et seq.*).

At the upcoming meeting, between 2 p.m. and 2:45 p.m., the members will review and discuss the Near Term Report from the NSTAC Telecommunications and Electric Power Interdependency Task Force (TEPITF), Legislative and Regulatory Task Force (LRTF) Report and Letter and the results of the December 8, 2005, NSTAC Working Group Meeting on hurricane Katrina. This portion of the meeting will be open to the public.

Following this discussion, the committee will discuss and vote on the NSTAC Cellular Shutdown paper which outlines the process to follow after an order has been issued for shutting down cellular service. This portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

**Basis for Closure:** Following the NSTAC's October 13, 2005 Conference Call on National Security and Emergency Preparedness, the NSTAC Cellular Shutdown Working Group drafted a white paper outlining considerations when ordering a shutdown and a process to be followed after an order has been issued for shutting down cellular service. At the upcoming meeting, the NSTAC will discuss and vote on the Cellular Services Shutdown Paper which outlines the above process.

The discussion and vote on the Cellular Services Shutdown Paper will occur between 2:45 p.m. and 3 p.m. and will involve sensitive information. Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 1 *et*

*seq.*), the Department has determined that this discussion will concern matters which, if disclosed, would be likely to frustrate significantly the implementation of a proposed agency action. Accordingly, the relevant portion of this meeting will be closed to the public pursuant to the authority set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B).

Dated: January 6, 2006.

**Peter M. Fonash,**

*Deputy Manager National Communications System.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1619-DR]

### Connecticut; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Connecticut (FEMA-1619-DR), dated December 16, 2005, and related determinations.

**DATES:** Effective December 16, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated December 16, 2005, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Connecticut, resulting from severe storms and flooding from October 14-15, 2005, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Connecticut.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Public Assistance in the designated areas and any other forms of assistance under the Stafford Act you may deem appropriate. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. If Other Needs Assistance under Section 408 of the Stafford Act is later warranted, Federal funding under that program will also be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. If Hazard Mitigation is later requested and warranted, Federal funds provided under that program will also be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Acting Director, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Peter J. Martinasco, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of Connecticut to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

Litchfield, New London, Tolland, and Windham Counties for Public Assistance. (The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs; 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**R. David Paulison,**

*Acting Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Federal Emergency Management Agency**

**[FEMA-1619-DR]**

**Connecticut; Amendment No. 1 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration**

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Connecticut (FEMA-1619-DR), dated December 16, 2005, and related determinations.

**DATES:** Effective Date: January 6, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Connecticut is hereby amended to include the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of December 16, 2005:

All counties in the State of Connecticut are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050, Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs; 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**R. David Paulison,**

*Acting Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Federal Emergency Management Agency**

**[FEMA-1607-DR]**

**Louisiana; Amendment No. 16 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration**

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of Louisiana (FEMA-1607-DR), dated September 24, 2005, and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 20, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal

Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated December 20, 2005, the President amended the cost-sharing arrangements concerning Federal funds provided under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (Stafford Act), in a letter to R. David Paulison, Acting Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, as follows:

I determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Louisiana resulting from Hurricane Rita, from September 23–November 1, 2005, is of sufficient severity and magnitude that special cost-sharing arrangements are warranted regarding Federal funds provided under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act).

Therefore, I amend my declarations of September 24, 2005, October 26, 2005, and November 19, 2005, to authorize Federal funds for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program, at 100 percent of total eligible costs, through and including June 30, 2006. Effective July 1, 2006, the Federal funding for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program, will be authorized at 90 percent of total eligible costs.

Please notify Governor Blanco and the Federal Coordinating Officer of this amendment to my major disaster declaration.

This cost share is effective as of the date of the President's major disaster declaration.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs; 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**R. David Paulison,**

*Acting Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.*

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