

In addition to the observations, a contractor will conduct a RDD telephone survey to determine mouthing behaviors of 400 children between 37 and 72 months old, as reported by the parent. This age group will not be observed.

The Commission will use all this information to estimate the frequency and duration of children's mouthing activities, by age. Interested persons may obtain a more detailed description of the intended study from the Commission's Office of the Secretary.

### C. Burden on Respondents

The Commission's staff estimates that 200 subjects are required for the observation portion of the study. Each subject's total participation time will be approximately 13 hours. For most of this time, however, the child and the caregiver will be engaged in their regular activities. (Time spent in the normal course of a respondent's activities does not count as part of the burden of a collection of information. 5 CFR 1320.3(b)(2).)

The Commission's staff estimates that each child in the observation study, and the persons associated with each child (including parents and other caregivers), will spend an average total of about 3.5 hours among them in reacting specifically to the observer. This is calculated by estimating the time of interacting with one person for a 0.5 hour phone interview, two persons for 1 hour during the in-home interview/habituation period (2 hours total) and an average of 30 person-minutes of interaction relating to the study for each of the 2 observation sessions (1 hour total). Therefore, the total burden hours for these respondents will be about 700 hours (200 × 3.5 hours).

The staff estimates that the number of subjects required for the telephone survey portion of the study is 400. Each subject's total time will be approximately 15 minutes. Therefore, the total burden hours for the telephone survey will be about 100 hours.

Thus, the estimated one-time reporting burden for this collection is 800 hours.

### C. Requests for Comments

The Commission solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed survey to determine children's mouthing behaviors. The Commission specifically solicits information about the hourly burden and about any monetary costs that may be imposed by this collection of information. As required by the PRA, the Commission also seeks information relevant to the following topics:

- Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions;
- Whether the information will have practical utility for the Commission;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden on the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Whether the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected could be enhanced; and
- Whether the burden imposed by the collection of information on those who are to respond could be minimized, including by use of automated, electronic, mechanical or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Air Force

#### Notice of Intent To Grant an Exclusive Patent License

Pursuant to the provisions of Part 404 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, which implements Public Law 96-517, the Department of the Air Force announces its intention to grant Rice University (hereafter Rice), a private university in Houston, Texas, an exclusive license in any right, title, and interest the Air Force has in United States Patent No. 5,760,941 issued June 2, 1998. The patent is filed in the name of Air Force employee Dr. Lim Nguyen and Rice employees Dr. James Young and Dr. Benhaam Aazhang for a "System and Method for Performing Optical Code Division Multiple Access Communication Using Bipolar Codes."

The license described above will be granted unless an objection thereto, together with a request for an opportunity to be heard, if desired, is received in writing by the addressee set forth below within 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice. Information concerning the application may be obtained, on request, from the same addressee.

All communications concerning this Notice should be sent to: Mr. Randy Heald, Patent Attorney, SAF/GCQ, 1740 Air Force Pentagon, Washington D.C.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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### Office of Elementary and Secondary Education—Advanced Placement Incentive Program

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 1999.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary invites applications for new awards for FY 1999 under the Advanced Placement Incentive Program and announces deadline dates for the transmittal of applications for funding under the program. This is a discretionary grant program.

**Purpose of Program:** The primary purpose of the Advanced Placement Incentive Program is to enable States to reimburse part or all of the cost of advanced placement test fees for low-income individuals who (1) are enrolled in an advanced placement class; and (2) plan to take an advanced placement test. In addition, a State educational agency (SEA) in a State in which no eligible low-income individual is required to pay more than a nominal fee to take advanced placement tests in core subjects may use any grant funds, that remain after test fees have been paid on behalf of all eligible low-income individuals, for activities directly related to increasing (a) the enrollment of low-income individuals in advanced placement courses; (b) the participation of low-income individuals in advanced placement tests; and (c) the availability of advanced placement courses in schools serving high-poverty areas. This program is authorized under Title VIII, Part B, of the Higher Education Amendments of 1998 (1998 Amendments) (20 U.S.C. 1070a-11, note).

**Who May Apply:** SEAs in any State, including the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** April 26, 1999.

**Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:** May 26, 1999.