10. What research team structure(s) and/or disciplines are needed to make the greatest advances in SRP Program mandates?

11. Additional Comments.

The SRP Web site provides information about the program that may aid in answering the questions. The site can be accessed at *http://www.niehs.nih.gov/research/supported/srp/*. All questions, except for affiliation, are optional. Please limit each response to 300 words. Responses will be compiled and posted on the SRP Strategic Planning Web site (*http://www.niehs.nih.gov/SRP/strategicplan*), using affiliation as the only identifier. Information may be summarized and used at a later date. If you submit your responses in a word doc, we ask that you prepare your responses by restating the question in your responses. You may use a variety of tools to respond to the questionnaire; however, all responses must be received not later than January 29, 2010. The following are acceptable ways to submit your responses:

1. Fill out the online questionnaire available on the Superfund Research Program Strategic Planning web page: *http://www.niehs.nih.gov/SRP/strategicplan.*

2. Copy and paste the above questions into the body of an e-mail message and send your responses to: *srpinfo@niehs.nih.gov.*

3. Mail or fax your responses in a letter to the attention of ''SRP Strategic Planning'' at the below address.

Division of Extramural Research and Training, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, P.O. Box 12233 (MD K3–04), Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (Fax) 919–316–4606.

In addition to the questionnaire above, SRP will be holding face-to-face and web-based seminars to receive input from the public. For more information about these seminars and the strategic planning process, please visit: *http://www.niehs.nih.gov/SRP/strategicplan.*

Attendance, Registration, and Remote Access

Participation is free and open to the public. Registration requirements are provided on the meeting web pages available from the SRP Strategic Planning Web site: *http://www.niehs.nih.gov/SRP/strategicplan.* Individuals with disabilities who require special reasonable accommodations should contact Dr. Heather Henry at least seven days prior to the event: (phone) 919–541–5330, (e-mail) *henryh@niehs.nih.gov,* fax (919) 316–4606.

Dated: December 14, 2009.

William A. Suk,

Director, Center for Risk and Integrated Sciences, Director, Superfund Research Program, Division of Extramural Research and Training, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DHS–2009–0144]

Privacy Act of 1974; U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, DHS/ICE–004 Bond Management Information System (BMIS) System of Records

AGENCY: Privacy Office; DHS.

ACTION: Notice of amended Privacy Act system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, the Department of Homeland Security proposes to amend a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement system of records titled DHS/ICE–004 Bond Management Information System (Sept. 11, 2008) to expand the categories of records. The categories of records have been updated to include the collection of certain additional information about individuals who post cash bonds for the release of detained aliens in the custody of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

DATES: The established system of records will be effective January 20, 2010. Written comments must be submitted on or before January 20, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by DHS–2009–0144 by one of the following methods:

- *Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 703–483–2999.
- *Mail:* Mary Ellen Callahan, Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528.
- *Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without change to *http://www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information provided.
- *Docket:* For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received go to *http://www.regulations.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lyn Rahilly, Privacy Officer, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 500 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20536 (202–732–3300), or Mary Ellen Callahan, Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528 (703–235–0780).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) proposes to amend a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) system of records titled DHS/ICE–004 Bond Management Information System (73 FR 52865, Sept. 11, 2008) to expand the categories of records and to update the address of one of the system managers. This system of records contains paper and electronic records maintained by ICE to support its immigration bond administration and financial management activities related to the immigration bonds that are posted for detained aliens. The system of records is being amended to include the collection of certain additional information about individuals who post cash bonds for the release of detained aliens in ICE custody (called ''obligors''), specifically the obligor's citizenship or immigration status, and the type and number of government-issued identification used by the obligor when posting the cash bond.

Some of the information in this system of records is maintained in BMIS–Web, an immigration bond management database used by the ICE Office of Financial Management to track the life cycle of immigration bonds from the time an individual posts the bond at an ICE Detention and Removal Operations (DRO) field office until the bond is considered closed. The BMIS Web PIA was recently updated to reflect (1) the collection of additional information from the obligor as described above, (2) the establishment of new system connections with the ICE eBONDS application and ICE Federal Financial Management System (FFMS), and (3) the termination of a system connection due to the retirement of an ICE system known as the Debt Collection System (DCOS). The BMIS Web PIA Update is available on the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Privacy Office Web site at *www.dhs.gov/privacy.*

II. Privacy Act

The Privacy Act embodies fair information principles in a statutory framework governing the means by which the United States Government collects, maintains, uses, and disseminates personally identifiable information. The Privacy Act applies to information that is maintained in a ''system of records.'' A ''system of records'' is a group of any records under the control of an agency for which information is retrieved by the name of an individual or by some identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual. In the Privacy Act, an individual is defined to encompass United States citizens and lawful permanent residents. As a matter of policy, DHS extends administrative Privacy Act protections to all individuals where systems of records maintain information on U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents, and visitors. Individuals may request access to their own records that are maintained in a system of records in the possession or under the control of DHS by complying with DHS Privacy Act regulations, 6 CFR part 5.

The Privacy Act requires each agency to publish in the Federal Register a description denoting the type and character of each system of records that the agency maintains, and the routine uses that are contained in each system in order to make agency record keeping practices transparent, to notify individuals regarding the uses to which personally identifiable information is put, and to assist individuals to more easily find such files within the agency. Below is the description of the BMIS system of records.

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(r), DHS has provided a report of this amended system of records to the Office of Management and Budget and to Congress.

SYSTEM OF RECORDS:

DHS/ICE–004.

SYSTEM NAME:

Bond Management Information System.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Records are maintained at U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Headquarters in Washington, DC; ICE Office of Financial Management facilities in Williston, Vermont; and ICE field offices.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Categories of individuals covered by this system include: individuals who post cash immigration bonds for aliens (known as obligors); aliens for whom an immigration bond is posted (known as bonded aliens); individuals that arrange for the posting of surety bonds for aliens (known as indemnitors); individual bond agents who post surety bonds; and notaries public and attorneys.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

For the Obligor: name; Social Security Number/Tax Identification Number; address; phone number; U.S. citizenship or immigration status; and government-issued identification (type and number) shown at the time the bond is posted.

For the Bonded Alien: name; alien number; location (while in detention); address(es) and phone number of residence upon release; date and country of birth; nationality; and date and port of arrival;

For the Indemnitor: name; address(es); and phone number.

For the Bonding Agent: name; Tax Identification Number; address(es); and phone number.

General bond information, including: bond number; bond amount; securities pledged; bond types; bond status; location and date of posted bond; dates for bond-related activities, such as declaration of breach; names and titles of DHS officials that approve, cancel, or declare breaches of bonds; names and contact information for notary public and attorney in fact; information such as dates, forms, status and outcome, concerning motions to reconsider a breach or cancellation of bonds; and information such as dates, forms, status and outcome, about bond-related appeals.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

Sections 103, 213, 236, 240B, and 293 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended (8 U.S.C. 1103, 1183, 1226, 1229c, and 1363, respectively).

PURPOSE(S):

The purpose of this system is to maintain records related to the administration and financial management operations of ICE's immigration bond program. Immigration bond administration includes the issuance, maintenance, cancellation, and revocation of bonds. Financial management operations include collection, reimbursement or forfeiture of the bond principal, and calculation and payment of interest, including issuance of IRS Form 1099 to the obligor reflecting interest paid on the bond.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act, all or a portion of the records or information contained in this system may be disclosed outside DHS as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

A. To the Department of Justice or other Federal agency conducting litigation or in proceedings before any court, adjudicative or administrative body, when (1) DHS or any component thereof; (2) any employee of DHS in his/her official capacity; (3) any employee of DHS in his/her individual capacity where DOJ or DHS has agreed to represent the employee; or (4) the United States or any agency thereof, is a party to the litigation or has an interest in such litigation; and DHS determines that the records are both relevant and necessary to the litigation and the use of such records is compatible with the purpose for which DHS collected the records.

B. To a congressional office from the record of an individual in response to an inquiry from that congressional office made at the request of the individual to whom the record pertains.

C. To the National Archives and Records Administration or other Federal government agencies pursuant to records management inspections being conducted under the authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906.

D. To an agency, organization, or individual for the purpose of performing audit or oversight operations as authorized by law, but only such information as is necessary and relevant to such audit or oversight function.

E. To appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when:

1. ICE suspects or has confirmed that the security or confidentiality of information in the system of records has been compromised;

2. DHS has determined that as a result of the suspected or confirmed compromise there is a risk of harm to economic or property interests, identity theft or fraud, or harm to the security or integrity of this system or other systems or programs (whether maintained by DHS or another agency or entity) that rely upon the compromised information, or harm to the individual; and

3. The disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and persons is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with DHS's efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed

compromise and prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm.

F. To contractors and their agents, grantees, experts, consultants, and others performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement, or other assignment for DHS, when necessary to accomplish an agency function related to this system of records. Individuals provided information under this routine use are subject to the same Privacy Act requirements and limitations on disclosure as are applicable to DHS officers and employees.

G. To an appropriate federal, state, tribal, local, international, or foreign law enforcement agency or other appropriate authority charged with investigating or prosecuting a violation or enforcing or implementing a law, rule, regulation, or order, where a record, either on its face or in conjunction with other information, indicates a violation or potential violation of law, which includes criminal, civil, or regulatory violations and such disclosure is proper and consistent with the official duties of the person making the disclosure.

H. To the U.S. Treasury Department to facilitate payments owed to obligors and for the reporting of interest payments to the Internal Revenue Service.

I. To the Department of Justice, the U.S. Treasury Department, other appropriate federal agencies, state insurance regulators, credit bureaus, debt collection agencies, legal representatives for surety companies and bonding agencies, and insurance investigators to provide information relevant to (1) investigations of an agent or bonding agency that posts surety bonds, or (2) activities related to collection of unpaid monies owed to the U.S. Government on immigration bonds.

J. To agencies, individuals, or entities as necessary to locate individuals who are owed money or property connected with the issuance of an immigration bond.

K. To an individual or entity seeking to post or arrange, or who has already posted or arranged, an immigration bond for an alien to aid the individual or entity in (1) identifying the location of the alien, or (2) posting the bond, obtaining payments related to the bond, or conducting other administrative or financial management activities related to the bond.

L. To the news media and the public, with the approval of the Chief Privacy Officer in consultation with legal counsel, when there exists a legitimate public interest in the disclosure of the information or when disclosure is necessary to preserve confidence in the integrity of DHS or is necessary to demonstrate the accountability of DHS's officers, employees, or individuals covered by the system, except to the extent it is determined that release of the specific information in the context of a particular case would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(12), disclosures may be made from this system to consumer reporting agencies in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3711(e).

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Records in this system are stored electronically or on paper in secure facilities in a locked drawer behind a locked door. The records are stored on magnetic disc, tape, digital media, and CD–ROM.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Records may be retrieved by any of the following: bond number, Social Security or Tax Identification Numbers (SSN/TIN), alien name, alien number, obligor name, surety company name, or location and date bond was posted.

SAFEGUARDS:

Records in this system are safeguarded in accordance with applicable rules and policies, including all applicable DHS automated systems security and access policies. Strict controls have been imposed to minimize the risk of compromising the information that is being stored. Access to the computer systems containing the records in this system is limited to those individuals who have a need to know the information for the performance of their official duties and who have appropriate clearances or permissions. The system maintains a real-time auditing function of individuals who access electronic records. Additional safeguards may vary by component and program.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Under the existing retention schedule, information is retained for six years and three months after the bond is closed or cancelled and the collateral is returned to the obligor. Copies of the Form I–352 (Immigration Bond) are placed into the alien's A–File and maintained for the life of that file (75 years).

SYSTEM MANAGER AND ADDRESS:

Director, Financial Systems Modernization, 800 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536; Director, Office of Detention and Removal Operations, 500 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20536.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

Individuals seeking notification of and access to any record contained in this system of records, or seeking to contest its content, may submit a request in writing to the component's FOIA Officer, whose contact information can be found at *http://www.dhs.gov/foia* under ''contacts.'' If an individual believes more than one component maintains Privacy Act records concerning him or her the individual may submit the request to the Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security, 245 Murray Drive, SW., Building 410, STOP–0655, Washington, DC 20528.

When seeking records about yourself from this system of records or any other Departmental system of records your request must conform with the Privacy Act regulations set forth in 6 CFR part 5. You must first verify your identity, meaning that you must provide your full name, current address and date and place of birth. You must sign your request, and your signature must either be notarized or submitted under 28 U.S.C. 1746, a law that permits statements to be made under penalty or perjury as a substitute for notarization. While no specific form is required, you may obtain forms for this purpose from the Director, Disclosure and FOIA, *http://www.dhs.gov* or 1–866–431–0486. In addition you should provide the following:

- An explanation of why you believe the Department would have information on you,
- Identify which component(s) of the Department you believe may have the information about you,
- Specify when you believe the records would have been created,
- Provide any other information that will help the FOIA staff determine which DHS component agency may have responsive records,
- If your request is seeking records pertaining to another living individual, you must include a statement from that individual certifying his/her agreement for you to access his/her records.

Without this bulleted information the component(s) will not be able to conduct an effective search, and your request may be denied due to lack of specificity or lack of compliance with applicable regulations.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

See ''Notification procedure'' above.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

See ''Notification procedure'' above.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Information is obtained from individuals, entities, indemnitors, surety companies, and bonding agencies and agents.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

Dated: December 11, 2009.

Mary Ellen Callahan,

Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5374–N–02]

Buy American Exceptions Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111–05, approved February 17, 2009) (Recovery Act), and implementing guidance of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), this notice advises that certain individual exceptions to the Buy American requirement of the Recovery Act have been determined applicable for work using Capital Fund Recovery Formula and Competition (CFRFC) grant funds. Specifically, exceptions were granted to the San Antonio Housing Authority in San Antonio, Texas, for the purchase and installation of a Variable Refrigerant Volume (VRV) heat recovery system for the Lewis Chatham modernization project, and to the Housing Authority of Portland, in Portland, Oregon, for the purchase of Farbo Marmoleum flooring for several modernization projects.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dominique G. Blom, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Housing Investments, Office of Public Housing Investments, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4210, Washington, DC, 20410–4000, telephone number 202–402–8500 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1605(a) of the Recovery Act imposes a ''Buy American'' requirement on Recovery Act funds used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States. Section 1605(b) provides that the Buy American requirement shall not apply in any case or category in which the head of a Federal department or agency finds that: (1) Applying the Buy American requirement would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality, or (3) inclusion of iron, steel, and manufactured goods will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. Section 1605(c) provides that if the head of a Federal department or agency makes a determination pursuant to section 1605(b), the head of the department or agency shall publish a detailed written justification in the **Federal Register**.

In accordance with section 1605(c) of the Recovery Act and OMB's implementing guidance published on April 23, 2009 (74 FR 18449), this notice advises the public that, on December 4, 2009, HUD granted the following two exceptions to the Buy American requirement:

1. *San Antonio Housing Authority.* Upon request of the San Antonio Housing Authority, HUD granted an exception to applicability of the Buy American requirements with respect to work, using CFRFC grant funds, in connection with the Lewis Chatham modernization project. The exception was granted by HUD on the basis that the relevant manufactured good is not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.

2. *Housing Authority of Portland.* Upon request of the Housing Authority of Portland, HUD granted an exception to applicability of the Buy American requirements with respect to work, using CFRFC grant funds, in connection with several modernization projects to replace the flooring. The exception was granted by HUD on the basis that the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.

Dated: *December 15, 2009.*

Sandra B. Henriquez,

Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Advisory Board for Exceptional Children

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) is announcing the Advisory Board for Exceptional Children will hold its next meeting in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The purpose of the meeting is to meet the mandates of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA) on Indian children with disabilities.

DATES: The Advisory Board will meet on Monday, January 11, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday, January 12, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mountain Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Building 2, 1011 Indian School Road North West, Room 271, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87104; telephone (505) 563–5274.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sue Bement, Designated Federal Official, Bureau of Indian Education, Albuquerque Service Center, Division of Performance and Accountability, 1011 Indian School Road NW., P.O. Box 1088, Suite 332, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103; telephone (505) 563–5274.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Board was established to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, on the needs of Indian children with disabilities, as mandated by the Individuals with Disabilities Act of 2004 (Pub. L. 108–446). The meetings are open to the public.

The following items will be on the agenda:

- Setting Advisory Board Priorities for 2010–2011
- Public Comment (via conference call, January 11, 2010, meeting only*)
- Report from Gloria Yepa, Supervisory Education Specialist, Bureau of Indian Education, Division of Performance and Accountability
- Appointment of Advisory Board Vice Chair
- Updates on Coordination of Services
- Panel discussion with Special Education faculty, General Education faculty and Related Service providers from Sky City Community School, Acoma, New Mexico