DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Prospective Grant of Exclusive License: Development of Therapeutics To Treat Obesity, Type 2 Diabetes, Fatty Liver Disease, and Liver Fibrosis in Humans

AGENCY: National Institutes of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Public Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR part 404.7, that the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, is contemplating the grant of an exclusive patent license to practice the following inventions embodied in the following patent applications, entitled “CB1 receptor mediating compounds”:


to Inversago Pharma Inc., (“Inversago”), a company incorporated under the laws of Canada having an office in at least Montreal-Ouest, Quebec, Canada. The patent rights in these inventions have been assigned to the United States of America. This license may be worldwide. The field of use may be related to “Development of therapeutics to treat obesity, type 2 diabetes, fatty liver disease and liver fibrosis in humans.”

DATES: Only written comments and/or applications for a license which are received by the NIH Office of Technology Transfer on or before November 12, 2015 will be considered.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patent application, patents, inquiries, comments, and other materials relating to the contemplated exclusive license should be directed to: Patrick McCue, Ph.D., Senior Licensing and Patenting Manager, Technology Advancement Office, The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, 12A South Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, Telephone: (301) 435–5560; Email: patrick.mccue@nih.gov. A signed confidentiality non-disclosure agreement will be required to receive copies of any patent applications that have not been published by the United States Patent and Trademark Office or the World Intellectual Property Organization.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This technology, and its corresponding patent applications, is directed to methods of treating obesity and associated diseases such as type 2 diabetes, hepatic steatosis, and liver fibrosis by administering an agent that reduces appetite, body weight, and insulin resistance. This technology may be useful as a means for treating obesity and metabolic syndrome without serious adverse neuropsychiatric side effects.

The prospective exclusive license will be royalty bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published notice, the NIH receives written evidence and argument that establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404.7.

Properly-filed and complete competing applications for a license in response to this notice will be treated as objections to the contemplated license. Comments and objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available for public inspection and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG–2015–0805]

National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee and its Subcommittee will hold a public meeting in Katy, TX to discuss the safety of operations and other matters affecting the offshore oil and gas industry. These meetings are open to the public.

DATES: Subcommittees of the National Offshore Safety Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, November 18, 2015 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and the full Committee will meet on Thursday, November 19, 2015, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (All times are Central Standard Time). These meetings may end early if the Committee has completed its business, or they may be extended based on the number of public comments.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Det Norske Veritas GL conference facility located at 1400 Ravello Drive, Katy, TX 77449. For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities, or to request special assistance at the meetings, contact the individuals listed in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section, as soon as possible.

To facilitate public participation, we are inviting public comment on the issues to be considered by the Committee as listed in the “Agenda” section below. Written comments may be submitted using the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov. If your material cannot be submitted using http://www.regulations.gov, contact the person in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate instructions.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the words “Department of