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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Proposed Collection of Information; Comment Request—Baby-Bouncers, Walker-Jumpers, and Baby-Walkers

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) requests comments on a proposed reinstatement of approval of a collection of information from manufacturers and importers of children's articles called baby-bouncers, walker-jumpers, or baby-walkers. The collection of information consists of requirements that manufacturers and importers of these products must establish and maintain records of inspections, testing, sales, and distributions to demonstrate that the products are not banned by rules issued under the Federal Hazardous Substances Act and codified at 16 CFR part 1500.

The CPSC will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting reinstatement of approval of this collection of information from the Office of Management and Budget.

DATES: Written comments must be received by the Office of the Secretary not later than April 15, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be captioned "Baby-Bouncers" and mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207, or delivered to that office, room 502, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the proposed reinstatement of approval of the collection of information, or to obtain a copy of 16 CFR part 1500, call or write Nicholas V. Marchica, Director, Office of Planning and Evaluation, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504–0416, extension 2243.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Products called "baby-bouncers," "walker-

jumpers, or "baby-walkers" are intended to support children younger than two years of age while they sit, bounce, jump, walk, or recline. Regulations issued under provisions of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act (15 U.S.C. 1261, 1262) establish safety requirements for these products.

A. Requirements for Baby-Bouncers, Walker-Jumpers, and Baby-Walkers

One CPSC regulation bans any such product if it is designed in such a way that exposed parts present hazards of amputations, crushing, lacerations, fractures, hematomas, bruises or other injuries to children's fingers, toes, or other parts of the body. 16 CFR 1500.18(a)(6).

A second CPSC regulation establishes criteria for exempting baby-bouncers, walker-jumpers, and baby walkers from the banning rule under specified conditions. 16 CFR 1500.86(a)(4). The exemption regulation requires certain labeling on these products and their packaging to identify the name and address of the manufacturer or distributor and the model number of the product. Additionally, the exemption regulation requires that records must be established and maintained for three years relating to testing, inspection, sales, and distributions of these products. The regulation does not specify a particular form or format for the records. Manufacturers and importers may rely on records kept in the ordinary course of business to satisfy the recordkeeping requirements if those records contain the required information.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the collection of information requirements in the regulations under control number 3041–0019. OMB's most recent extension of approval expired on May 31, 1992. The CPSC now proposes to request reinstatement of approval without change for the regulations' information collection requirements.

The safety need for this collection of information remains. Specifically, if a manufacturer or importer distributes products that violate the banning rule, the records required by section 1500.86(a)(4) can be used by the firm and the CPSC (i) to identify specific models of products which fail to comply with applicable requirements, and (ii) to notify distributors and retailers if the products are subject to recall.

B. Estimated Burden

The CPSC staff estimates that about 25 firms are subject to the testing and recordkeeping requirements of the regulations. The CPSC staff estimates

further that the burden imposed by the regulations on each of these firms is approximately 2 hours per year. Thus, the total annual burden imposed by the regulations on all manufacturers and importers is about 50 hours.

The CPSC staff estimates that the hourly wage for the time required to perform the required testing and to maintain the required records is about \$13, and that the annual total cost to the industry is approximately \$650. During a typical year, the CPSC will expend approximately two days of professional staff time reviewing records required to be maintained by the regulations for baby-bouncers, walker-jumpers, and baby-walkers. The annual cost to the Federal government of the collection of information in these regulations is estimated to be \$560.

C. Request for Comments

The CPSC solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed extension of approval of the collection of information in the regulations for baby-bouncers, walker-jumpers, and baby-walkers. The CPSC specifically solicits information about the hourly burden and monetary costs imposed by the collection of information on firms subject to this collection of information. The CPSC also seeks information relevant to the following topics:

- Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the CPSC's functions;
- Whether the information will have practical utility for the CPSC;
- 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 could be minimized by use of automated, electronic or other technological collection techniques, or other form of information technology.

Dated: February 12, 1996.

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Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Availability of Funds for Training and Technical Assistance for State Commissions

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National Service (the Corporation) announces the availability of up to \$500,000 for a cooperative agreement with a non-profit organization, an educational institution, or a for-profit organization to fund the provision of training and technical assistance support services to State Commissions involved in AmeriCorps programs, as provided by the National and Community Service Act of 1990, as amended.

DATES: Application materials will be available beginning on or about Wednesday, February 14, 1996. Applications must be received by 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on Friday, March 11, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to: Corporation for National Service, 1201 New York Avenue NW., Ninth Floor, Washington, DC 20525, Attention: Patricia L. Holliday. Applications may not be submitted by facsimile. This notice may be requested in an alternative format for the visually impaired.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

To obtain applications, contact the Corporation in writing or by facsimile at (202) 565–2786. For further information, contact Patricia L. Holliday, Grants and Contracts Officer, at (202) 606–5000, ext. 187 or (202) 565–2799 TDD.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Corporation is a federal government corporation that engages Americans of all ages and backgrounds in community-based service. This service addresses the nation's education, public safety, human, and environmental needs to achieve direct and demonstrable results. In doing so, the Corporation fosters civic responsibility, strengthens the ties that bind us together as a people, and provides educational opportunity for those who make a substantial commitment to service. Pursuant to the National and Community Service Act of 1990, as amended, the Corporation "shall make technical assistance available to State * * * to develop national service programs." 42 U.S.C. See 12575(b). Through a cooperative agreement, the Corporation will make one award to provide training and technical assistance support services to State Commissions involved in AmeriCorps programs. the Corporation anticipates that in program year 1995-96, there will be up to 450 AmeriCorps grant programs serving through over 1100 operating sites.

Period of Support

The cooperative agreement period will be approximately 12 months, with implementation beginning approximately in April 1996, with the possibility of renewal subject to performance, continuing need, and the availability of funds.

Eligible Applicants

Applicants must be a non-profit organization, an educational institution, or a for-profit organization. However, pursuant to the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, an organization described in section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(4), which engages in lobbying activities is not eligible.

Program Elements

The required work will include, but will not be limited to:

- 1. Helping State Commissions develop appropriate methods for assessing the T/TA needs of subgrantees on an on-going basis;
- 2. Helping State Commissions develop a technical assistance strategy and network of possible T/TA providers;
- 3. Helping State Commissions in conceptualization and design of grant review processes.
- 4. Providing tailor-made orientations to newly-appointed State Commission Chairpersons and Executive Directors;
- 5. Helping State Commissions train commission staff in program assessment, management of T/TA, office management, cross program collaboration, fundraising, needs assessment, and identification of local, low-cost, T/TA resources;
- 6. Helping State Commissions to develop effective working relationships with CNS State Offices;
- 7. Helping State Commissions to involve national direct grantees in the trainings they provide;
- 8. Helping State Commissions to collaborate with other State Commissions on the delivery of T/TA services;
- 9. Helping State Commissions to broker T/TA services offered by national T/TA providers;
- 10. Facilitating mechanisms for peer exchange between commission staff and commission members in other states;
- 11. Helping State Commissions to design participant advisory vehicles through which they can engage participants in decision-making processes and feedback;
- 12. Helping State Commissions with tailored T/TA services that include communication via electronic networks,

policy bulletins, conference calls, and local gatherings of program networks;

- 13. Helping State Commissions on various planning activities, including the development of both short term and strategic plans as well as assistance with State Plan updates;
- 14. Helping State Commissions plan and conduct effective planning retreats.

Corporation Involvement

Substantial involvement is expected between the Corporation and the successful applicant when carrying out the program. The applicant must keep relevant Corporation staff informed of its activities; work with Corporation staff during development, delivery and assessment of services provided; and attend meetings and conferences at the Corporation's request.

Overview of Application Requirements

Application requirements will be set forth in detail in the application materials. Each applicant must submit one original and three copies of its application package. The requirement will include a completed application form, a narrative section, an implementation timeline, a staffing plan, a self assessment plan, budget information, and certifications and assurances pertaining to recipients of federal funding.

Application Review

Initially all applications will be reviewed to confirm that the application is an eligible recipient and to ensure that the application complies with the application instructions and contains the information required. The Corporation will assess applications based on the criteria listed below (in descending other of importance):

- (1) Quality.
- (2) Organizational Capacity.
- (3) Coordination Plans.
- (4) Knowledge and Understanding of AmeriCorps.
 - (5) Description of proposed activities.
 - (6) Proposed Costs.

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Terry Russell,

General Counsel, Corporation for National Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Board of Visitors Meeting

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition University, DOD.