

Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements; and OJP Form 7120-1 (Rev. 1-93), Accounting System and Financial Capability Questionnaire (to be submitted by applicants who have not previously received Federal funds from the Office of Justice Programs). If appropriate, applicants must complete and submit Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities. All applicants must sign Certified Assurances that they are in compliance with Federal laws and regulations which prohibit discrimination in any program or activity that received Federal funds. To obtain appropriate forms, contact Getha Hilario, BJS Management Assistant, at (202) 633-3031.

The application should cover a 2-year period with information provided for completion of the entire project. Proposals must include a program narrative, a detailed budget and budget narrative. The program narrative shall describe activities as stated in the scope of work and factors for evaluation. The detailed budget must provide costs including salaries of staff involved in the project and portion of the salaries to be paid from the award; fringe benefits paid to each staff person; travel costs; and supplies required to complete the project. The budget narrative closely follows the content of the detailed budget. The narrative should relate the items budgeted to the project activities and should provide a justification and explanation for the budgeted items. Refer to the aforementioned timetable when developing the program narrative and budget information.

Dated: May 23, 1997.

Jan M. Chaiken,

Director, Bureau of Justice Statistics.

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Copyright Office

[Docket No. 96-5 CARP DSTR]A]

Determination of Statutory License Rates and Terms for Certain Digital Subscription Transmissions of Sound Recordings

AGENCY: Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Initiation of arbitration.

SUMMARY: The Librarian of Congress is announcing initiation of the 180-day arbitration period for determination of

statutory license rates and terms for certain digital subscription transmissions of sound recordings.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 2, 1997.

ADDRESSES: All hearings and meetings for the section 114 statutory license proceeding shall take place in the James Madison Memorial Building, Room 414, First and Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20540.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Roberts, Senior Attorney, or Tanya Sandros, Attorney Advisor, P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, D.C. 20024. Telephone (202) 707-8380. Telefax (202) 707-8366.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This notice fulfills the requirement of 37 C.F.R. 251.64 and 17 U.S.C. 803(a)(1). Section 251.64 of the CARP rules, 37 C.F.R., provides that:

After the end of the 45-day precontroversy discovery period, and after the Librarian has ruled on all motions and objections filed under § 251.45, the Librarian will determine the sufficiency of the petition, including, where appropriate, whether one or more of the petitioners' interests are "significant." If the Librarian determines that a petition is significant, he or she will cause to be published in the **Federal Register** a declaration of a controversy accompanied by a notice of initiation of an arbitration proceeding.

On December 1, 1995, the Library of Congress published a notice, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. 114(f)(1), initiating a voluntary negotiation period for terms and rates for the 17 U.S.C. 114 statutory license. 60 FR 61655 (December 1, 1995). No voluntary agreements were reached.

On June 4, 1996, the Library received a petition from the Recording Industry Association of America ("RIAA"), in accordance with 17 U.S.C. 114(f)(2), to initiate an arbitration proceeding under chapter 8 of the Copyright Act for purposes of establishing the terms and rates of the section 114 license. RIAA asserted that it has a significant interest in such a proceeding because it is the principal trade association of the recording industry which creates, markets, and distributes approximately 90% of all legitimate sound recordings sold in the United States.

After the filing of this petition, the Library conducted a precontroversy discovery period under § 251.45 of the rules. See, 61 FR 40464 (August 2, 1996); Order in Docket No. 96-5 CARP DSTR (September 18, 1996); Order in Docket No. 96-5 CARP DSTR (November 27, 1996). The precontroversy discovery period is

complete, and the Librarian has ruled upon all § 251.45 motions and objections.

Determination of Petitioner's Significant Interest in Proceeding

The Librarian has considered the petition of the RIAA and determines that RIAA has a significant interest in a CARP proceeding to establish the rates and terms of the section 114 license. RIAA is the principal trade association of the recording industry in the United States, and it is this industry that will collect royalties under the section 114 license. Further, the former Copyright Royalty Tribunal recognized that RIAA had a significant interest in copyright compulsory license rate proceedings affecting the recording industry. See, *Recording Industry Association of America v. Copyright Royalty Tribunal*, 662 F.2d 1 (D.C. Cir. 1981) (17 U.S.C. 115 license). Consequently, the Librarian determines that RIAA has a significant interest in this proceeding within the meaning of 17 U.S.C. 803(a)(1).

Selection of Arbitrators

In accordance with § 251.6 of the CARP rules, the arbitrators have been selected for this proceeding. They are: The Honorable Lenore G. Ehrig (Chairperson)
The Honorable Thomas A. Fortkort
The Honorable Sharon T. Nelson

Initiation of Proceeding

Pursuant to § 251.64 of the CARP rules, the Librarian is formally announcing the existence of a controversy as to the establishment of rates and terms for certain digital subscription transmissions, 17 U.S.C. 114(f)(2), and is initiating an arbitration proceeding under chapter 8 of title 17 to resolve the determination. The arbitration proceeding commences on June 2, 1997, and runs for a period of 180 days. The arbitrators shall file their written report with the Librarian by November 28, 1997, the end of the 180 day period, in accordance with § 251.53 of the rules.

A meeting between the participants in the rate adjustment proceeding and the arbitrators shall take place on Tuesday, June 3, 1997, at 1:30 p.m. at the Library of Congress, James Madison Building, LM 414, First and Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C., to discuss the hearing schedule, arbitrator billing and payment, and any other procedural matters. The meeting is open to the public. Copies of the hearing schedule, once finalized, will be available at the Copyright Office upon request.

Dated: May 28, 1997.

Marybeth Peters,

Register of Copyrights.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Meeting of Humanities Panel

AGENCY: National Endowment for the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), notice is hereby given that the following meeting of the Humanities Panel will be held at the Old Post Office, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy E. Weiss, Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, D.C. 20506; telephone (202) 606-8322. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the Endowment's TDD terminal on (202) 606-8282.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed meeting is for the purpose of panel review, discussion, evaluation and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including discussion of information given in confidence to the agency by the grant applicants. Because the proposed meetings will consider information that is likely to disclose: (1) Trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential; or (2) information of a personal nature the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, pursuant to authority granted me by the Chairman's Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee meetings, dated July 19, 1993, I have determined that this meeting will be closed to the public pursuant to subsections (c) (4), and (6) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

Date: June 23, 1997.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Room: 415.

Program: This meeting will review applications for Challenge Grants for History Museums, Historical Societies, and Historical Sites, submitted to the

Office of Challenge Grants for projects at the May 1, 1997 deadline.

Nancy E. Weiss,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY

[CFDA No. 84.257F]

NIFL Regional Technology HUB Project; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year 1997

AGENCY: The National Institute for Literacy (NIFL).

ACTION: Notice.

Purpose

The purpose of these grants is to establish a second generation of regional hubs to extend the Literacy Information and Communication System (LINCS) infrastructure throughout the literacy community in each region. Each hub will form a consortium with all states in the region—"member states"—and, in cooperation with member states, a network of targeted local literacy programs. Each regional hub will be expected to build on the achievements of the region's previous hub and to build strong partnerships with other technology efforts in the region. In the process of enhancing the technological capacity of states and local programs, regional hubs will—

- Increase the literacy field's electronic knowledge base by collecting and exchanging new literacy information resources, especially locally developed materials, and creating in-depth collections on important literacy topics.
- Encourage the widespread use of the NIFL's systematic procedures and uniform standards for information collection and exchange.
- Provide innovative delivery of high quality, easy-to-access information resources to the adult education and literacy community through the use of a variety of tools, including multi-media.
- Enable member states and local programs to be self-sufficient in their efforts to enhance the LINCS database and communication tools.
- Enhance communication and community-building by connecting increasingly larger numbers of literacy stakeholders of all kinds—researchers, practitioners, administrators, students, and policymakers—and closing the gap between information "haves" and "have nots."

- Integrate the use of technology into every aspect of learning and teaching in the adult education and literacy field.

Deadline for Transmittal of

Applications: July 17, 1997.

Eligible Applicants: State, regional, and national organizations, or consortia of such organizations, in OVAE Regions II, III, and IV.

Available Funds: This announcement envisions a three-year cooperative agreement. In the first year up to a total of \$450,000 is available for all grants. Year 2 and 3 funding is subject to program authorization and availability of appropriations, and contingent upon satisfactory completion of the first year plan of action.

Estimated Number of Awards: Three awards (one award in each of the OVAE regions II, III, and IV).

Estimated Award Amount: \$150,000.

Project Period: Three years.

Applicable Regulations: The National Institute for Literacy has adopted the following regulations included in the Education Department Administrative Regulations (EDGAR): 34 CFR part 74; 34 CFR part 75, §§ 75.50, 75.51, 75.102-75, 75.109, 75.117, 75.109-75.192, 75.200, 75.201, 75.215; 34 CFR parts 77, 80, 82, 85.

Note: The selection criteria used for this competition are set out in this Notice. While the criteria are patterned on those used generally by the U.S. Department of Education, they have been adapted by the NIFL to meet the needs of this program. While the NIFL is associated with the Departments of Education, Labor, and Health and Human Services, the policies and procedures regarding rulemaking and administration of grants are not adopted by the NIFL except as expressly stated in this Notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jaleh Behroozi Soroui, National Institute for Literacy, 800 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: 202-632-1506. FAX: 202-632-1512. E-mail:

jaleh@literacy.nifl.gov. Information about NIFL's funding opportunities, including the Application Notices, Newsletters, Policy Updates, etc., can be viewed on the LINCS WWW server (under Current Events, under grants). LINCS URL: <http://novel.nifl.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Definitions

For purposes of this announcement the following definitions apply:

Literacy An individual's ability to read, write, and speak in English, and compute and solve problems at levels of proficiency necessary to function on the job and in society, to achieve one's goals and develop one's knowledge and