

Investigators Program (February 22, 1993, 58 FR 10854).

Reason: It has been determined that the notice is not required by the Privacy Act. In this case, the records cover entities that have been given Federal contracts to investigate EEO complaints. Because these contractors are acting in an entrepreneurial capacity rather than a personal capacity, they do not meet the definition of 'individuals' as contemplated by the Office of Management and Budget in their formal guidelines to federal agencies in implementing the Privacy Act (July 9, 1975, 40 FR 28948).

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 1, 1999.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: August 27, 1999.

Joseph Schubart,

Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs

Type of Review: New.

Title: Electronic Debit Payment Option for Student Loans.

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Federal Government.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden: Responses: 108,541; Burden Hours: 2 minutes each.

Abstract: The need for an Electronic Debit Account Program will give the borrower another option in which to repay federally funded student loans via automatic debit deductions from their checking accounts.

Written comments or requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Joseph Schubart at 202-708-9266 or by e-mail at joe_schubart@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research; Notice Inviting Applications and Pre-application Meeting for a New Award for a Rehabilitation Research and Training Center (RRTC) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

Purpose

On May 4, 1999 a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 23988) inviting applications for a new FY 1999 award for an RRTC on rehabilitation for children with disabilities and special health care needs. Satisfactory applications were not received for this priority area. There is a continuing need for this center.

The purposes of this notice are to: (1) Invite applications for an RRTC on rehabilitation for children with disabilities and special health care needs for FY 2000; and (2) invite interested parties to participate in a pre-application meeting to discuss the funding priority and receive technical assistance through individual consultation and information about the funding priority.

Eligible Applicants: Parties eligible to apply for grants under this program are States; public or private agencies, including for-profit agencies; public or private organizations, including for-profit organizations; institutions of higher education; and Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

Applications Available: September 1, 1999.

Pre-Application Meeting: Interested parties are invited to participate in a pre-application meeting to discuss the funding priority for an RRTC on rehabilitation for children with disabilities and special health care needs and to receive technical assistance through individual consultation and information about the funding priority. The pre-application meeting will be held on September 22, 1999 at the Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Switzer Building, Room 3065, 330 C St., SW, Washington, DC, between 10 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. NIDRR staff will also be available at this location from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on that same day to provide technical assistance through individual consultation and information about the funding priority. NIDRR will make alternate arrangements to accommodate interested parties who are unable to

attend the pre-application meeting in person. *Assistance to Individuals With Disabilities at the Public Meeting:*

The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed below at least two weeks before the scheduled meeting date. Although we will attempt to meet a request we receive after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR), 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 78, 80, 81, 82, 85, 86, 97; (b) the regulations for this program in 34 CFR Part 350; and (c) the notice of final priorities published on May 4, 1999 in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 23988); and the notice inviting applications published on May 4, 1999 in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 23993).

Deadline for Transmittal of

Applications: November 1, 1999.

Maximum Award Amount Per Year: \$700,000.

Note: The Secretary will reject without consideration or evaluation any application that proposes a project funding level that exceeds the stated maximum award amount per year (See 34 CFR 75.104(b)).

Estimated Number of Awards: 1.

Note: The estimate of funding level and awards in this notice do not bind the Department of Education to a specific level of funding or number of grants.

Project Period: 60 months.

For Applications Contact: Education Publications Center (ED Pubs), PO Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398. Telephone (toll free): 1-877-433-7827. FAX: (301) 470-1244. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call (toll-free): 1-877-576-7734.

You may also contact ED Pubs at its Web site: <http://www.ed.gov/pubs/edpubs.html> or you may contact ED Pubs at its E-mail address: edpubs@inet.ed.gov

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternate format by contacting the Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3317, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2550. Telephone: (202) 205-8207. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the TDD number at (202) 205-4475.

However, the Department is not able to

reproduce in an alternate format the standard forms included in the application package.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: In order to obtain further information about the funding priority and the pre-application meeting on the RRTC on rehabilitation for children with disabilities and special health care needs contact Roseann Rafferty, U.S. Department of Education, Room 3428, Switzer Building, 330 C St, S.W., Washington, DC 20202, or call (202) 205-5867. Individuals who use a telecommunications device (TDD) may call the TDD number at (202) 205-4475. Internet: Roseann_Rafferty@ed.gov

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Management of Certain Plutonium Residues and Scrub Alloy Stored at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site

AGENCY: U. S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Amendment to a record of decision.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has decided to revise the approach to be used to dispose of approximately 3,360 kg of sand, slag and crucible plutonium residues (containing approximately 130 kg of plutonium) that is currently stored at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site. In an earlier Record of Decision on Management of Certain Plutonium Residues and Scrub Alloy Stored at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site (63 FR 66136, December 1, 1998), DOE decided that the sand, slag and crucible residues would be shipped to the Savannah River Site for processing and storage pending disposition. With the opening of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) in New Mexico on March 26, 1999, DOE has now decided instead to prepare the sand, slag and crucible residues for direct shipment to the repository for disposal. This will result in final disposition of this material several years earlier than the previous approach and would be more cost effective. The environmental impacts of alternative approaches for management of these residues are presented in the Final Environmental Impact Statement on Management of Certain Plutonium Residues and Scrub Alloy Stored at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site (the EIS, DOE/EIS-0277F, August 1998).

ADDRESSES: Copies of the EIS, the first and second Records of Decision published by DOE on this subject, and this Amended Record of Decision are available in the public reading rooms and libraries identified in the **Federal Register** notice that announced the availability of the EIS (63 FR 46006, August 28, 1998), or please write or call: Center for Environmental Management Information, P.O. Box 23769, Washington, DC 20026-3769, telephone 1-800-736-3282 (in Washington, DC: 202-863-5084). These documents may also be accessed on the DOE Office of Environmental Management's World Wide Web site at <http://www.em.doe.gov/em60/documents>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on management of plutonium residues and scrub alloy currently stored at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site, contact: Ms. Patrice M. Bubar, Acting Director, Rocky Flats Office (EM-64), Office of Nuclear Material and Facility Stabilization, Environmental Management, U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Avenue, SW,