

requested to provide personal identifying data including home address, date and place of birth, employer name and address, and basic security information. The data provided by the collection instruments will be input into NAIS, which automatically populates the appropriate forms, and is routed through the approval process. NIST's Office of Security receives security forms through the NAIS process and is able to allow preliminary access to NAs to the NIST campuses or resources. The data collected will also be the basis for further security investigations as necessary.

## II. Method of Collection

The information is collected in paper format.

## III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* None.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission (new information collection).

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4,000.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 2,000.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0.

## IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 22, 2012.

**Gwellnar Banks,**

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction (ACEHR or Committee), will hold a meeting via teleconference on Friday, April 27, 2012 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern Time. The primary purpose of this meeting is to review the Committee's draft annual report to the NIST Director. Any draft meeting materials will be posted on the NEHRP Web site at <http://nehrp.gov/>. Interested members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting from remote locations by calling into a central phone number.

**DATES:** The ACEHR will hold a meeting via teleconference on Friday, April 27, 2012, from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** Questions regarding the meeting should be sent to National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8604, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8604. For instructions on how to participate in the meeting, please see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dr. Jack Hayes, National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8604, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8604. Dr. Hayes' email address is [jack.hayes@nist.gov](mailto:jack.hayes@nist.gov) and his phone number is (301) 975-5640.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee was established in accordance with the requirements of Section 103 of the NEHRP Reauthorization Act of 2004 (Pub. L. 108-360). The Committee is composed of 12 members appointed by the Director of NIST, who were selected for their technical expertise and experience, established records of distinguished professional service, and their knowledge of issues affecting the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program. In addition, the Chairperson of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC) serves in an ex-officio capacity on the Committee. The Committee assesses:

- Trends and developments in the science and engineering of earthquake hazards reduction;
- The effectiveness of NEHRP in performing its statutory activities (improved design and construction methods and practices; land use controls and redevelopment; prediction techniques and early-warning systems; coordinated emergency preparedness plans; and public education and involvement programs);
- Any need to revise NEHRP; and
- The management, coordination, implementation, and activities of NEHRP.

Background information on NEHRP and the Advisory Committee is available at <http://nehrp.gov/>.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app., notice is hereby given that the ACEHR will hold a meeting via teleconference on Friday, April 27, 2012, from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Eastern Time. There will be no central meeting location. Interested members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting from remote locations by calling into a central phone number.

The primary purpose of this meeting is to review the Committee's draft annual report to the NIST Director. Any draft meeting materials will be posted on the NEHRP Web site at <http://nehrp.gov/>.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Committee's affairs are invited to request detailed instructions by contacting Michelle Harman on how to dial in from a remote location to participate in the meeting. Michelle Harman's email address is [michelle.harman@nist.gov](mailto:michelle.harman@nist.gov), and her phone number is 301-975-5324. Approximately fifteen minutes will be reserved from 2:45 p.m.-3 p.m. Eastern Time for public comments; speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be about 3 minutes each. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated, and those who were unable to participate are invited to submit written statements to the ACEHR, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 8604, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-8604, via fax at (301) 975-5433, or electronically by email to [info@nehrp.gov](mailto:info@nehrp.gov).

All participants of the meeting are required to pre-register. Anyone wishing to participate must register by close of

business Friday, April 20, 2012, in order to be included. Please submit your name, email address, and phone number to Michelle Harman. After registering, participants will be provided with detailed instructions on how to dial in from a remote location in order to participate. Michelle Harman's email address is [michelle.harman@nist.gov](mailto:michelle.harman@nist.gov), and her phone number is (301) 975-5324.

Dated: March 21, 2012.

**Willie E. May,**

*Associate Director for Laboratory Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Telecommunications and Information Administration

[Docket No. 120322212-2212-01]

#### Spectrum Sharing Innovation Test-Bed Pilot Program

**AGENCY:** National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice, request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice describes and seeks comment on the types and depth of testing that the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) intends to conduct in Phase II/III of the Spectrum Sharing Innovation Test-Bed pilot program to assess whether devices employing Dynamic Spectrum Access techniques can share the frequency spectrum with land mobile radio systems.

**DATES:** Comments are due on or before April 27, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to the attention of Ed Drocella, Office of Spectrum Management, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 6725, Washington DC, 20230; by facsimile transmission to (202) 482-4595; or by electronic mail to [testbed@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:testbed@ntia.doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ed Drocella at (202) 482-2608 or [edrocella@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:edrocella@ntia.doc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

NTIA, in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and other federal agencies, established a Spectrum Sharing Innovation Test-Bed (Test-Bed) pilot program to examine the feasibility of increased sharing between federal and non-federal users. This pilot program is

an opportunity for federal agencies to work cooperatively with industry, researchers, and academia to objectively evaluate new technologies that can improve management of the nation's airwaves.

The Test-Bed pilot program is evaluating the ability of Dynamic Spectrum Access (DSA) devices employing spectrum sensing and/or geo-location techniques to share spectrum with land mobile radio (LMR) systems operating in the 410-420 MHz federal band and in the 470-512 MHz non-federal band.<sup>1</sup> To address potential interference to incumbent spectrum users, the Test-Bed will include both laboratory and field measurements performed in three phases:

Phase I—Equipment Characterization. Participants will send equipment employing DSA techniques to the NTIA Institute for Telecommunication Sciences in Boulder, Colorado to undergo characterization measurements of the DSA capabilities in response to simulated environmental signals.

Phase II—Evaluation of Capabilities. After successful completion of Phase I, NTIA will evaluate the DSA spectrum sensing and/or geo-location capabilities of the equipment in the geographic area of the Test-Bed.

Phase III—Field Operation Evaluation. After successful completion of Phase II, NTIA will permit the DSA equipment to transmit in an actual radio frequency signal environment. An automatic signal logging capability will be used during operation of the Test-Bed to help resolve interference events if they occur. NTIA and the participant will establish a point-of-contact to stop Test-Bed operations if interference is reported.

NTIA published the Phase I test plan in the **Federal Register** for public review and comment in December 2008.<sup>2</sup> NTIA addressed the public comments on the test plan and published a final version on the NTIA Web site in February 2009.<sup>3</sup> The annual progress reports provide the status of the Phase I testing.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Dynamic Spectrum Access technology allows a radio device to (i) evaluate its radio frequency environment using spectrum sensing, geo-location, or a combination of spectrum sensing and geo-location techniques, (ii) determine which frequencies are available for use on a non-interference basis, and (iii) reconfigure itself to operate on the identified frequencies.

<sup>2</sup> Spectrum Sharing Innovation Test-Bed Pilot Program, 73 FR 76,002 (Dec. 15, 2008).

<sup>3</sup> The final Phase I test plan and additional information on the Test-Bed pilot program are available at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/spectrum-sharing?page=1>.

<sup>4</sup> The annual progress reports and additional information on the Test-Bed pilot program are

## II. Request for Comments

NTIA has established a review process to give the public an opportunity to participate in the development of test plans for the Test-Bed pilot program.<sup>5</sup> A copy of the draft Phase II/III test plan is available in Word, and PDF formats on the following Web site: <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/spectrum-sharing?page=1>.

On or before April 27, 2012, interested parties wishing to comment on the draft Phase II/III test plan should submit to the address set forth above, their name, address, phone number, email address and their comments. NTIA seeks comments on the types and depth of testing that NTIA intends to conduct in Phase II/III of the Spectrum Sharing Innovation Test-Bed pilot program to assess whether devices employing Dynamic Spectrum Access techniques can share the frequency spectrum with land mobile radio systems. Comments will be posted on NTIA's Web site at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/spectrum-sharing?page=1>.

NTIA will publish the final version of the Phase II/III test plan on its Web site.

Dated: March 22, 2012.

**Kathy D. Smith,**

*Chief Counsel, National Telecommunications and Information Administration.*

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## BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

[Docket No. CFPB-2012-0013]

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C.

available at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/spectrum-sharing?page=1>.

<sup>5</sup> There are certain limitations on the public review process to take into account the proprietary rights of the developers participating in the Test-Bed. As part of the Test-Bed, NTIA may enter into Cooperative Research and Development Agreements or Joint Project Agreements with the equipment developers.