

usual and customary records that chemists and laboratories keep during the normal course of business, regardless of any TTB requirement to do so, and, as such, the keeping of such records imposes no additional burden on respondents.

Current Actions: TTB is submitting this new information collection for approval by the Office of Management and Budget.

Type of Review: Approval of new collection.

Affected Public: Individuals; businesses and other for-profits.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 310.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 495.

Dated: July 12, 2018.

Amy R. Greenberg,

Director, Regulations and Rulings Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Departmental Offices; Debt Management Advisory Committee; Meeting

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. App. 2, 110(a)(2), that a meeting will be held at the Hay-Adams Hotel, 16th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC on July 31, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. of the following debt management advisory committee: Treasury Borrowing Advisory Committee of The Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association.

The agenda for the meeting provides for a charge by the Secretary of the Treasury or his designate that the Committee discuss particular issues and conduct a working session. Following the working session, the Committee will present a written report of its recommendations. The meeting will be closed to the public, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. App. 2, 10(d) and Public Law 103-202, § 202(c)(1)(B)(31 U.S.C. 3121 note).

This notice shall constitute my determination, pursuant to the authority placed in heads of agencies by 5 U.S.C. App. 2, 10(d) and vested in me by Treasury Department Order No. 101-05, that the meeting will consist of discussions and debates of the issues presented to the Committee by the Secretary of the Treasury and the making of recommendations of the Committee to the Secretary, pursuant to Public Law 103-202, § 202(c)(1)(B). Thus, this information is exempt from disclosure under that provision and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(3)(B). In addition, the

meeting is concerned with information that is exempt from disclosure under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(A). The public interest requires that such meetings be closed to the public because the Treasury Department requires frank and full advice from representatives of the financial community prior to making its final decisions on major financing operations. Historically, this advice has been offered by debt management advisory committees established by the several major segments of the financial community. When so utilized, such a committee is recognized to be an advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. App. 2, 3.

Although the Treasury's final announcement of financing plans may not reflect the recommendations provided in reports of the Committee, premature disclosure of the Committee's deliberations and reports would be likely to lead to significant financial speculation in the securities market. Thus, this meeting falls within the exemption covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(A).

Treasury staff will provide a technical briefing to the press on the day before the Committee meeting, following the release of a statement of economic conditions and financing estimates. This briefing will give the press an opportunity to ask questions about financing projections. The day after the Committee meeting, Treasury will release the minutes of the meeting, any charts that were discussed at the meeting, and the Committee's report to the Secretary.

The Office of Debt Management is responsible for maintaining records of debt management advisory committee meetings and for providing annual reports setting forth a summary of Committee activities and such other matters as may be informative to the public consistent with the policy of 5 U.S.C. 552(b). The Designated Federal Officer or other responsible agency official who may be contacted for additional information is Fred Pietrangeli, Director for Office of Debt Management (202) 622-1876.

Dated: July 6, 2018.

Fred Pietrangeli,

Director, Office of Debt Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment to the Veterans and Community Oversight and Engagement Board

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is seeking nominations of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment as a member of the Veterans and Community Oversight and Engagement Board (herein-after referred in this section to as "the Board") for the VA West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, CA ("Campus"). The Board is established to coordinate locally with the Department of Veterans Affairs to identify the goals of the community and Veteran partnership; provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary to improve services and outcomes for Veterans, members of the Armed Forces, and the families of such Veterans and members; and provide advice and recommendations on the implementation of the Draft Master Plan approved by the Secretary on January 28, 2016, and on the creation and implementation of any other successor master plans.

DATES: Nominations for membership on the Board must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on August 10, 2018.

ADDRESSES: All nominations should be mailed to the Veterans Experience Office,

Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, (30), Washington, DC 20420; or sent electronically to the Advisory Committee Management Office mailbox at vaadvisorycmte@va.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Eugene W. Skinner, Jr., Designated Federal Officer, Veterans Experience Office, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW (30), Washington, DC 20420, telephone 202-631-7645 or via email at Eugene.Skinner@va.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In carrying out the duties set forth in the West LA Leasing Act, the Board shall:

(1) Provide the community with opportunities to collaborate and communicate by conducting public forums; and

(2) Focus on local issues regarding the Department that are identified by the community with respect to health care, implementation of the Master Plan, and any subsequent plans, benefits, and memorial services at the Campus. Information on the Master Plan can be

found at <https://www.losangeles.va.gov/masterplan/>.

Authority: The Board is a statutory committee established as required by Section 2(i) of the West Los Angeles Leasing Act of 2016, Public Law 114–226 (the West LA Leasing Act). The Board operates in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Membership Criteria and Qualifications: VA is seeking nominations for Board membership. The Board is composed of thirteen members and several ex-officio members. The Board meets up to four times annually; and it is important that Board members attend meetings to achieve a quorum so that Board can effectively carry out its duties. The members of the Board are appointed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from the general public, from various sectors and organizations, and shall meet the following qualifications, as set forth in the West LA Leasing Act:

- (1) Not less than 50% of members shall be Veterans; and
- (2) Non-Veteran members shall be:
 - a. Family members of Veterans,
 - b. Veteran advocates,
 - c. Service providers,
 - d. Real estate professionals familiar with housing development projects, or
 - e. Stakeholders.

In addition, the Board members may also serve as Subcommittee members.

In accordance with the Board Charter, the Secretary shall determine the number, terms of service, and pay and allowances of Board members, except that a term of service of any such member may not exceed two years. The Secretary may reappoint any Board member for additional terms of service.

To the extent possible, the Secretary seeks members who have diverse professional and personal qualifications including but not limited to subject matter experts in the areas described above. We ask that nominations include any relevant experience and information

so that VA can ensure diverse Board membership.

Requirements for Nomination Submission: Nominations should be typed written (one nomination per nominator). Nomination package should include:

- (1) A letter of nomination that clearly states the name and affiliation of the nominee, the basis for the nomination (i.e. specific attributes which qualify the nominee for service in this capacity), and a statement from the nominee indicating a willingness to serve as a member of the Board;

- (2) The nominee's contact information, including name, mailing address, telephone numbers, and email address;

- (3) The nominee's curriculum vitae, not to exceed three pages and a one page cover letter; and

- (4) A summary of the nominee's experience and qualifications relative to the membership criteria and professional qualifications criteria listed above.

The Department makes every effort to ensure that the membership of VA Federal advisory committees is diverse in terms of points of view represented and the committee's capabilities. Appointments to this Board shall be made without discrimination because of a person's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information. Nominations must state that the nominee is willing to serve as a member of the Board and appears to have no conflict of interest that would preclude membership. An ethics review is conducted for each selected nominee.

Dated: July 13, 2018.

Jelessa M. Burney,
Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

National Research Advisory Council; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the National Research Advisory Council will hold a meeting on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, at 1100 First Street NE, Room 104, Washington, DC 20002. The meeting will convene at 9:00 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. This meeting is open to the public.

The agenda will include information technology challenges, career development and merit awards, roadmaps overview, clinical trials, and cooperative research and development agreements (CRADAs). No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. Members of the public wanting to attend may contact Rashelle Robinson, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Research and Development (10P9), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, at (202) 443–5678, or by email at Rashelle.Robinson@va.gov no later than close of business on August 29, 2018. Because the meeting is being held in a government building, a photo I.D. must be presented at the Guard's Desk as a part of the clearance process. Any member of the public seeking additional information should contact Rashelle Robinson at the phone number or email address noted above.

Dated: July 12, 2018.

LaTonya L. Small,
Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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