Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. John M. Fowler, Executive Director.

date

In addition, a copy of this notification and Draft Memorandum of Agreement will be placed in the West End Library, (24th and L Streets, NW, Washington, DC).

Please submit your comments in writing within 30 days of this notice to Andrea Mones, Regional Cultural Asset Officer, General Services Administration, National Capital Region, (WPT), 7th and D Streets, NW, Washington, DC 20407.

Dated: August 10, 1998.

Arthur M. Turowski,

Director, Portfolio Management Division, WPT.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collections; Comment Request

The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary will periodically publish summaries of proposed information collections projects and solicit public comments in compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. To request more information on the project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plans and instruments, call the OS Reports Clearance Officer on (202) 690–6207.

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 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

Proposed Projects 1. Evaluation of the Office of Minority Health's Resource Center—NEW—The Office of Minority Health proposes to survey customers of the Office of Minority Health Resource

Center to determine if the Center is providing useful services to its intended audience. The information will be used to identify potential improvements in the Center's customer service procedures. Respondents: Individuals, Businesses, Non-profit institutions, Federal, State or Local Governments; Number of Respondents: 1050; Average Burden per Response: 7 minutes; Total Burden: 123 hours.

Send comments to Cynthia Agens Bauer, OS Reports Clearance Officer, Room 503H, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20201. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

Dated: August 14, 1998.

Dennis P. Williams,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Budget. [FR Doc. 98–22561 Filed 8–21–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4150–04–M

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary publishes a list of information collections it has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) and 5 CFR 1320.5. The following are those information collections recently submitted to OMB.

1. Evaluation of the Proposed Cash and Counseling Demonstration-New-Cash and Counseling is a consumer directed care model for individuals in need of personal assistance services. A demonstration project utilizing this model is being undertaken. The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, in partnership with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, is planning to engage in an information collection for the purpose of evaluating this demonstration project. Controlled experimental design methodology will be used to test the effects of the experimental intervention: cash payments in lieu of arranged services for Medicaid covered beneficiaries. Respondents: Individuals or Households;-Burden Information for Participation Interview—Number of Respondents: 7,875; Burden per Response: .08 hours; Total Burden for Participation Interview: 630 hours-Burden Information for Baseline

Interview—Number of Respondents: 15,250; Burden per Response: .38 hours; Total Burden for Baseline: 5,795 hours—Burden Information for Four-Month Treatment Group Interview—Number of Respondents: 7245; Burden per Response: .33 hours; Total Burden for Four-Month Treatment Group Interview: 2,391 hours—Burden Information for Nine-Month Followup Interview—Number of Respondents: 13,800; Burden per Response: .70 hours; Total Burden for Nine-Month Followup: 9,660 hours—Total Burden for Project: 18,476 hours.

OMB Desk Officer: Allison Eydt Copies of the information collection packages listed above can be obtained by calling the OS Reports Clearance Officer on (202) 690–6207. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the OMB desk officer designated above at the following address: Human Resources and Housing Branch, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, 725 17th Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503.

Comments may also be sent to Cynthia Agens Bauer, OS Reports Clearance Officer, Room 503H, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington, DC 20201. Written comments should be received within 30 days of this notice.

Dated: August 11, 1998.

Dennis P. Williams,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Budget. [FR Doc. 98–22668 Filed 8–21–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4150–04–M

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

[Program Announcement 98104]

Notice of Availability of Funds; Cooperative Agreement for a Research Program to Study the Dermal Toxicokinetics of Methyl Parathion

A. Purpose

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 1998 funds for a cooperative agreement, for a research program to study the dermal toxicokinetics of methyl parathion. This program addresses the Healthy People 2000 priority areas of: Environmental Health and Surveillance and Data Systems. Dermal exposure is the primary route of exposure in residential scenarios. Since November 1996,

approximately 18,000 people (including 10,000 children) have been affected by the illegal spraying of methyl parathion in private residences in several states. In addition, methyl parathion has been identified at 16 National Priorities List (NPL) sites throughout the United States. The purpose of this program is to assess dermal absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion of methyl parathion in laboratory studies. The data will be important for planning, designing, and determining the need for future toxicology and epidemiology studies.

B. Eligible Applicants

Assistance will be provided only to the health departments of States and their bona fide agents, including the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, federally recognized Indian tribal governments, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau. State organizations, including State universities, State colleges, and State research institutions, must affirmatively establish that they meet their respective State's legislative definition of a State entity or political subdivision to be considered an eligible applicant.

C. Availability of Funds

Approximately \$250,000 is available in FY 1998 to fund one award. The award is expected to begin on or about September 30, 1998, for a 12-month budget and project period.

D. Use of Funds

Funds may be expended for reasonable program purposes, such as personnel, travel, supplies and services. Funds for contractual services may be requested. However, the awardee, as the direct and primary recipient of ATSDR cooperative agreement funds, must perform a substantive role in carrying out project activities and not merely serve as a conduit for an award to another party or provide funds to an ineligible party. Applicant must justify the need to use a contractor. If contractors are proposed, the following must be provided: (1) Name of contractor, (2) method of selection, (3) period of performance, (4) detailed budget, (5) justification for use of contractor, and (6) assurance of nonconflict of interest.

Equipment may be purchased with cooperative agreement funds. However, the equipment proposed should be appropriate and reasonable for the activity to be conducted. The applicant, as part of the application process, should provide: (1) A justification for the need to acquire the equipment, (2) the description of the equipment, (3) the intended use of the equipment, and (4) the advantages/disadvantages of purchase versus lease of the equipment (if applicable). Requests for equipment purchases will be reviewed and approved only under the following conditions: (1) ATSDR retains the right to request return of all equipment purchased (in operable condition) with cooperative agreement funds at the conclusion of the project period, and (2) equipment purchased must be compatible with ATSDR hardware. Computers purchased with ATSDR funds should be IBM compatible and adhere to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL) and ATSDR hardware standards.

E. Program Requirements

ATSDR may assist and work jointly with the recipient in conducting the activities of this cooperative agreement program. The application should be presented in a manner that demonstrates the applicant's ability to address the health issues in a collaborative manner with ATSDR.

Note: Recipient activities may not be conducted with funds from this cooperative agreement program at any Federal site where the State is a party to litigation at the site.

Recipient and ATSDR activities are listed below:

1. Recipient Activities

The recipient will have primary responsibilities as follows:

a. Perform a range finding study with methyl parathion to determine appropriate chronic doses that should be used to compare the kinetic parameters through various routes.

b. Perform studies to determine the rate of absorption and specific concentrations reached in tissues of appropriate laboratory animals following dermal methyl parathion treatment.

c. Through experimental studies in laboratory animals, measure the absorption, distribution, metabolism of methyl parathion over a 90-day period. Establish correlations between the amount of methyl parathion absorbed and the blood levels of p-nitrophenol, its principal metabolite.

d. Through experimental studies and measurements, determine the transfer of methyl parathion and its metabolites across the placenta and determine the distribution of these compounds in the fetus.

e. Publish results of studies in accordance with AR98–17 (attached)

2. ATSDR Activities

ATSDR will:

a. If needed, assist recipient or collaborate in the preparation of reports and briefing materials on a timely basis in effort to present and write publications, including abstracts and journal articles.

F. Application Content

Use the information in the Program Requirements, Other Requirements, and Evaluation Criteria sections to develop the application content. The application will be evaluated on the criteria listed, so it is important to follow them in laying out the program plan. The application must include a 200 word or less abstract of the proposal. The application pages must be clearly numbered, and a complete index to the application and its appendices must be included. The original and each copy of the application must be submitted unstapled and unbound.

G. Submission and Deadline Application

Submit the original and five copies of PHS 398 (OMB Number 0925—0001) (adhere to the instructions on the Erata Instruction Sheet for PHS 398). Forms are in the application kit. On or before September 23, 1998, submit the application to: Patrick A. Smith, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Announcement 98104, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL), Room 300, 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., MS E-13, Atlanta, Georgia 30305-2209.

If your application does not arrive in time for submission to the independent review group, it will not be considered in the current competition unless you can provide proof that you mailed it on or before the deadline (i.e., receipt from U.S. Postal Service or a commercial carrier; private metered postmarks are not acceptable).

H. Evaluation Criteria

Each application will be evaluated individually against the following criteria by an independent review group appointed by ATSDR:

Scientific and Technical Review Criteria of Applications

1. Appropriateness and Knowledge of Study Design—25 Percent

The extent to which the applicant's proposal addresses:

(a) rationale for the proposed study design; (b) measurement of actual dose

absorbed and the documentation of accompanying toxicity; and (c) a detailed plan for analysis of the data.

2. Proposed Study-25 Percent

The adequacy of the proposal relevant to: (a) the study purpose, objectives, and rationale; (b) the quality of program objectives in terms of specificity, measurability, and feasibility; (c) the specificity and feasibility of the applicant's timetable for implementing program activities and timely completion of the study; and (d) the likelihood of the applicant completing proposed program activities and attaining proposed objectives based on the thoroughness and clarity of the overall program.

3. Relationship to Initiative—15 Percent

The extent to which the application addresses the areas of investigation.

4. Technical Merit of the Methods and Procedures—15 Percent

The technical merit of the methods and procedures (analytic procedures should be state of the art, including participation in a quality assurance and quality control program for comparison with other research projects) for the proposed project, including the degree to which the project can be expected to yield results that meet the program objective as described in the PURPOSE section of this announcement.

5. Applicant Capability and Coordination Efforts—10 Percent

The extent to which the proposal has described: the capability of the applicant's administrative structure to foster successful scientific and administrative management of a study and the suitability of facilities and equipment available.

6. Program Personnel—10 Percent

The extent to which the proposed program staff is qualified and appropriate, and the time allocated for them to accomplish program activities is adequate.

7. Program Budget—(Not Scored)

The extent to which the budget is reasonable, clearly justified, and consistent with intended use of cooperative agreement funds.

I. Other Requirements

Technical Reporting Requirements

Provide ATSDR with original plus two copies of:

1. Quarterly progress reports; the progress reports must report on progress toward addressing activities mutually agreed to by ATSDR and the recipient

at the time of award and should include the following for each program, function or activity involved: (1) a comparison of actual accomplishments to the goals established for the period; (2) the reasons for slippage if established goals were not met; and (3) other pertinent information.

2. Financial status report, no more than 90 days after the end of the budget/

project period.

Send all reports to: Patrick A. Smith, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL), Room 300, 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., MS E-13, Atlanta, GA 30305-2209.

The following additional requirements are applicable to this program. For a complete description of each requirement, see Attachment 1 in the application kit.

AR98–3 Animal Subjects Requirements

AR98–9 Paperwork Reduction Act Requirements

AR98–10 Smoke-Free Workplace Requirements

AR98–11 Healthy People 2000 AR98–17 Peer and Technical Reviews of Final Reports of Health Studies— ATSDR

AR98–18 Cost Recovery—ATSDR AR98–19 Third Party Agreements— ATSDR

J. Authority and Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

This program is authorized under Sections 104(i), 5(A)and (15) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 [42 U.S.C. 9604(i)5(A) and (15)].

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance numbers are 93.200, 93.201, 93.203.

K. Where To Obtain Additional Information

Please refer to Announcement Number 98104 when requesting information and submitting an application.

To receive additional written information and to request an application kit, call 1–888–GRANTS4 (1–888–472–6874). You will be asked to leave your name and address and will be instructed to identify the Announcement number of interest.

If you have questions after reviewing the contents of all of the documents, business management technical assistance may be obtained from: Patrick A. Smith, Grants Management Specialist, Grants Management Branch, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL), 255 East Paces Ferry Road, NE., Room 300, Mailstop E–13, Atlanta, Georgia 30305–2209, telephone (404) 842–6803.

INTERNET address phs3@cdc.gov. For programmatic technical assistance contact: Mike Youson, Deputy Director, Division of Toxicology, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), 1600 Clifton Road, NE., Mailstop E–29, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone (404) 639–6300.

INTERNET address may1@cdc.gov. Potential applicants may obtain a copy of "Healthy People 2000" (Full Report, Stock No. 017–001–00474–0) or "Healthy People 2000" (Summary Report, Stock No. 017–001–00473–1) through the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402–9325, telephone (202) 512–1800.

This and other CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL/ATSDR announcements are available through the CDC homepage on the Internet: http://www.cdc.gov.

Dated: August 18, 1998.

Georgi Jones,

Director, Office of Policy and External Affairs, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Fees for Sanitation Inspections of Cruise Ships

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces fees for vessel sanitation inspections for fiscal year 1999, October 1, 1998 through September 30, 1999.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel M. Harper, Chief, Vessel Sanitation Program, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for

Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 4770 Buford Highway, NE., Mailstop F– 16, Atlanta, Georgia 30341–3724, telephone (770) 488–3524, email DMH2 @CDC.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: