

resolve inconsistencies and address any remaining issues.

Because this technical input was requested in anticipation of developing a FIPS on key recovery, the format of the Committee's report parallels that of a FIPS. However, since the Committee was chartered only to address technical issues, some areas (e.g., "applicability" and "waiver process") contained in a FIPS were not addressed by the Committee. The Committee noted in their draft that text for these sections would have to be supplied at a later date by the government.

In delivering its report to the Secretary, the Committee noted that its members did not "have time to verify the consistency and completeness of the document as a whole" and stated that these are crucial. Therefore, the submission of public comments on the consistency and completeness of the document is particularly encouraged.

The Committee's report is divided into two major sections, an "announcement section" and a "specifications section." The first section is fairly pro forma and contains, among other items, a brief explanation of the document, an index, list of appropriate applications, notes on implementations, and a glossary. Qualifications on the use of conforming products are also discussed. The second section contains the detailed specifications of the document and is divided into four chapters: (1) Overview, (2) Key Recovery Model, (3) Security Requirements, and (4) Assurance Requirement. Four appendices are included: (A) Key Recovery Technique (B) Examples, (C) Key Recovery Block, and (D) Certificate Extensions.

The key recovery model utilized by the Committee throughout its document describes five key recovery functions: (1) Key Recovery Information Generation, (2) Key Recovery Information Delivery, (3) Function Key Recovery Information Validation, (4) Key Recovery Requestor and (5) Key Recovery Agent. For each of these functions, one or more security levels is defined and functional and security requirements provided. For each security level(s) of a function, a corresponding assurance level is then specified with appropriate requirements.

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Karen H. Brown,
Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Public Hearings for Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Introduction of the V-22 to the Second Marine Aircraft Wing

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy, United States Marine Corps has prepared and filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to evaluate the introduction of the V-22 aircraft to the Second Marine Aircraft Wing in eastern North Carolina. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Council on Environmental Quality regulations, this notice announces the dates and locations of public hearings for the DEIS.

DATES: Comments must be postmarked by August 9, 1999.

The meeting dates are:

1. July 19, 1999, 3:00p.m. to 8:00p.m., Jacksonville, NC.
2. July 20, 1999, 3:00p.m. to 8:00p.m., Havelock, NC.
3. July 21, 1999, 3:00p.m. to 8:00p.m., Atlantic, NC.
4. July 22, 1999, 3:00p.m. to 8:00p.m., Pollocksville, NC.

ADDRESSES: Address written comments to Commander, Atlantic Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Attn: Mr. James Haluska (Code 2033JH), 1510 Gilbert Street, Norfolk, Virginia 23511; Fax: (757) 322-4894.

The meeting locations are:

1. Jacksonville, NC—Jacksonville City Hall, Meeting Room A, 211 Johnson Boulevard, Jacksonville, NC;
2. Havelock, NC—Havelock City Hall, 1 Hatteras Avenue, Havelock, NC;
3. Atlantic, NC—Marine Corps Outlying Landing Field Atlantic, Building 7017, Administration & Housing, Airfield Road, Atlantic, NC;
4. Pollocksville, NC—Pollocksville Elementary School, 300 Trent Street, Pollocksville, NC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Additional information concerning this notice may be obtained by contacting Mr. James Haluska, (757) 322-4889 or Lt. Col. Blackiston, Community Plans and Liaison Officer, MCAS Cherry Point, (919) 466-4196.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 102(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40

CFR 1500-1508), the Department of the Navy, United States Marine Corps has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to assess the potential environmental effects of introducing the V-22 "Osprey," a new type of tiltrotor aircraft, to the Second Marine Aircraft Wing (2d MAW) which operates from several Marine Corps air stations located along the East Coast of the United States. The DEIS has been distributed to various Federal, state, and local agencies, as well as other interested individuals and organizations. In addition, copies of the DEIS have been distributed to the following libraries for public review: Carteret County Public Library, 210 Turner Street, Beaufort, NC; Craven-Pamlico-Carteret Regional Library, 400 Johnson Street, New Bern, NC; Godwin Memorial Library, College Street, New Bern, NC; Havelock-Craven County Public Library, 300 Miller Boulevard, Havelock, NC; Onslow County Public Library, 58 Doris Avenue East, Jacksonville, NC; and Pamlico County Library, Bayboro, NC. A limited number of single copies of the DEIS are available upon request by contacting Mr. James Haluska at (757) 322-4889.

The introduction of the V-22 to the 2d MAW is part of a Corps-wide process of replacing two existing weapons systems, the CH-46E and CH-53D medium-lift helicopters currently used by the USMC MAWs, with a new weapon system. The USMC relies on a veteran fleet of CH-46Es and CH-53Ds for medium-lift operations, such as the delivery of troops and equipment in amphibious assault operations. These aircraft are nearing the end of their lifecycle, cannot travel great distances, and are not well equipped for night or adverse weather operations. The V-22 is capable of vertical/short takeoffs and landings, significantly greater flight distances at a faster speed, and with a greater payload than the helicopters it would replace. The proposed action, therefore, is to replace the CH-46 assets of the 2d MAW with the V-22 on a one-to-one basis. (Currently, the 2d MAW has no CH-53D assets. These are all located in MCB Hawaii.) Replacement of a weapons system such as the CH-46 involves more than just a substitution of a new system for an old one. It includes replacement or renovation of the facilities used to house and maintain the system. It also includes development within the USMC of the skills needed to employ the new weapons system during wartime.

The CH-46E aircraft are near the end of their operating life. The USMC must continue to have the capability of supporting combat forces, by lifting personnel and equipment into and out

of confined sites quickly, at any time, under any conditions, in remote and/or hostile environments. The political conditions of the post-Cold War era have led to the realization by the DOD that future threats to American security, particularly the nation's economic health, are increasingly linked to the stability of other regions of the world. The current US defense strategy is to address sources of regional conflict and instability with a visible, forward presence, and an effective response to crises.

The Marine Corps will conduct public hearings starting Monday, July 19 to Thursday, July 22, 1999 for those individuals who would like to provide comments on the DEIS. These hearings will be open sessions and will allow individuals to review the data presented in the DEIS and at displays provided for the hearing. Department of the Navy representatives will be available during the hearing to answer questions and/or clarify information related to the DEIS and to assist those who wish to comment. Federal, state, and local agencies and interested parties are invited and urged to be present or represented at the hearing. Oral statements will be heard and transcribed by a stenographer; however, to ensure the accuracy of the record, all statements should be submitted in writing. In the interest of available time and to ensure all who wish to give an oral statement have the opportunity to do so, each speaker will be asked to limit their comments to three (3) minutes. If longer statements are to be presented, they should be summarized at the public hearing and submitted in writing either at the hearing or mailed or faxed to Mr. James Haluska at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice. Equal weight will be given to both oral and written statements. All written comments postmarked by August 9, 1999 will become a part of the official public record and will be responded to in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

Dated: July 1, 1999.

Ralph W. Corey,
Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps,
U.S. Navy, Alternate Federal Register Liaison
Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Acting 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 September 7, 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 Acting 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: June 30, 1999.

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

Office of the Under Secretary

Type of Review: New.

Title: Evaluation of the Magnet Schools Assistance Program.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEA or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Respondents: 2,387

Burden Hours: 1,517

Abstract: This package is to request clearance for an evaluation of the Magnet Schools Assistance Program (MSAP). The purpose is to provide information to ED and Congress about the success of the MSAP in meeting its statutory goals. The evaluation is using information reported in MSAP applications and performance indicators and gathering new data from all %& MSAP projects funded in 1998. A particular emphasis of the evaluation is the projects' progress in improving student achievement and achieving desegregation.

Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Vivian Reese, 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 vivian_reese@ed.gov or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Jacqueline Montague at 202-708-5359 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address jackie-montague@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 ENERGY

Golden Field Office; Supplemental Announcement to the Broad Based Solicitation for Financial Assistance Applications Involving Research, Development and Demonstration for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; Closed-Loop Biomass Co-Firing

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Supplemental Announcement 13 to the Broad Based Solicitation for Financial Assistance Applications DE-PS36-99GO10383.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the DOE Financial Assistance Rules, 10 CFR 600.8, is announcing its intention to solicit applications for Closed-Loop Biomass Co-firing. Financial assistance award(s) issued under this