ICCVAM works with the Center to carry out the scientific review of proposed methods of multi-agency interest, and provides recommendations regarding their usefulness to appropriate agencies. The ICCVAM also provides a mechanism for interagency communication with stakeholders throughout the process of test method development and validation. The following Federal regulatory and research agencies and organizations are participating in this effort:

Consumer Product Safety Commission Department of Defense

Department of Energy

Department of Health and Human Services

Agency for Toxic Substances and
Disease Registry
Food and Drug Administration
National Institute for Occupational
Safety and Health/CDC
National Institutes of Health
National Cancer Institute
National Institute of Environmental
Health Sciences

National Library of Medicine Department of the Interior Department of Labor

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Department of Transportation Research and Special Programs Administration

Environmental Protection Agency

The Center was established to provide operational support for the ICCVAM and to assist Federal Agencies by coordinating and facilitating: (1) The interagency review and adoption of toxicological test methods of multiagency interest and (2) the participation and communication with other stakeholders throughout the process of test method development and validation. The Center organizes, in collaboration with ICCVAM, independent scientific peer reviews and workshops for test methods of interest to Federal agencies. Peer review panels are convened to develop scientific consensus on the usefulness of test methods to generate information for specific human health and/or ecological risk assessment purposes. Expert workshops are convened to evaluate the adequacy of current test methods for assessing specific toxicities, to identify areas in need of improved or new methods, to evaluate proposed validation studies, and to evaluate the validation status of methods. The Center provides an opportunity for partnerships with other agencies and organizations to facilitate the

development, validation, and review of alternative testing methods. The Center and ICCVAM seek to promote the scientific validation and regulatory acceptance of toxicological test methods that will enhance agencies' ability to assess risks and make decisions, and that will refine, reduce, and replace animal use whenever possible. The Center Office is located at NIEHS and can be contacted by telephone 919–541–3398, fax 919–541–0947, or email, iccvam@niehs.nih.gov.

Tentative Agenda—National Toxicology Program Advisory Committee on Alternative Toxicological Methods; October 14, 1999

Building 101, Conference Center, South Campus, National Institute of Environmental Health Science (NIEHS), Research Triangle Park, North Carolina

8:45-8:55 a.m.

Call to Order, Introductions—Dr. K. Stitzel, Chair, The Procter & Gamble 8:55–9:10 a.m.

Welcome and NTP Update—Dr. G. Lucier, NIEHS

9:10-9:50 a.m.

Updates—Dr. W. Stokes, NIEHS

- NTP Center and ICCVAM
- The Corrositex(®) Peer Review Panel Report (25 minutes) Discussion (15 minutes)

9:50-12:15 p.m.

Regulatory Agency Processes for Consideration of ICCVAM Test Method Recommendations; Acceptance Consideration of the LLNA

- EPA, EPA
- FDA, FDA
- · CPSC, CPSC
- OSHA, OSHA

Potential Partnership Opportunities for Center/ICCVAM

1:15-2:15 p.m.

Endocrine Disruptor Testing and Screening Methods:

- Update on EPA Standardization and Validation Task Force Activities— Dr. T. Maciorowski, EPA
- Update on OECD Endocrine Screening and Testing Validation Efforts (30 minutes)—Dr. G. Lucier
- Discussion (30 minutes)

2:30-3:00 p.m.

Overview of the Multilaboratory Evaluation of in vitro Cytotoxicity (MEIC) Test Program (20 Minutes)— Dr. John Harbell, Institute for In Vitro Sciences

• Discussion (10 minutes)

3:00-3:30 p.m.

Potential Use of In Vitro Cytotoxicity

Tests to Predict Acute Oral Lethality of Science,s Chemicals (20 minutes)—Dr. Rodger Curren, Institute for In Vitro

Discussion (10 minutes)

3:30-4:00 p.m.

General Discussion (30 minutes)—Dr. K. Stitzel

4:00-4:15 p.m.

Public Comment

4:15

Adjourn

The Executive Secretary's Office, Environmental Toxicology Program, P.O. Box 12233, NIEHS, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709, telephone (919) 541–3971, FAX (919) 541–0295, will have available an agenda with times and a roster of Committee members prior to the meeting and summary minutes subsequent to the meeting.

Dated: September 3, 1999.

Samuel H. Wilson,

Deputy Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

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

Periodically, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) will publish a list of information collection requests under OMB review, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). To request a copy of these documents, call the SAMHSA Reports Clearance Officer on (301) 443–7978.

Drug Abuse Warning Network—(OMB number 0930–0078, extension)—-The Drug Abuse Warning Network (DAWN) collects data on drug-related medical emergencies and deaths as reported from about 660 hospitals and medical examiners nationwide. Used by Federal, State, and local agencies, this on-going data system supports efforts to identify drug abuse trends, assess health hazards associated with substance abuse, and schedule substances under the Controlled Substances Act. The annual burden estimate is 15,284 hours as shown below:

	Number of respondents	Number of responses/ respondent	Hours per re- sponse	Gross burden hours	IR ¹ reporting hours	Total adjusted burden (hrs)
		Hospitals	3			
ED Forms	520 520	334 48	0.15 0.02	26,052 499	12,876 247	13,176 252
Hospital Total				26,551	13,123	13,428
		Medical exam	iners			
ME Forms	140 140	107 48	0.25 0.02	3,745 134	1,953 70	1,792 64
ME Total				3,879	2,023	1,856
DAWN Total				30,430	15,146	15,284

¹There is no burden associated with reporting by Independent Reporters (IRs), so these hours are not included in Total Adjusted Burden.

Written comments and recommendations concerning the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of this notice to: Allison Eydt, Human Resources and Housing Branch, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Dated: September 9, 1999.

Richard Kopanda,

Executive Officer, SAMHSA.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service **ACTION:** Notice of receipt of permit applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 USC 1531 et seq.).

Permit No. TE-014444

Applicant: California Army National Guard, and National Guard Bureau, Camp Roberts, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, mark, and release) the San Joaquin kit fox (Vulpis macrotis mutica) in conjunction with population monitoring at Camp Roberts, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival. These activities were previously conducted under subpermit MONGWT.

Permit No. TE-014496

Applicant: Dr. Michael Hanson, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, mark, and release) the San Joaquin kit fox (Vulpis macrotis mutica) in conjunction with population monitoring at Camp Roberts, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival. These activities were previously conducted under subpermit HANSMT.

Permit No. TE-014806

Applicant: Erin Robbins, Mooney and Associates, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (pursue by survey) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (Euphydryas editha quino) throughout the species range in southern California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival. Permit No. TE-828382

Applicant: Dr. Sharon K. Collinge, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado.

The applicant requests to amend her permit to remove and reduce to possession the Contra Costa Goldfields (Lasthehia conjugens) plant in its entirety throughout the species range in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-014999

Applicant: Death Valley National Park, Death Valley, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass, capture, and release; sacrifice) the Devil's Hole pupfish (Cyprinodon diabolis) in conjunction with scientific research throughout the species range for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-014497

Applicant: Haleakala National Park, Makawao, Hawaii.

The applicant requests a permit to: take (locate and monitor nests; conduct surveys; band; salvage live eggs, goslings, and adults; and release) the nene goose (Branta sandvicensis) in conjuction with population monitoring and captive propagation; take (capture, band, and release) the Hawaiian darkrumped petrel (Pterodroma phaeopygia sandwichensis) in conjunction with ecological and demographic research; and remove and reduce to possession the seeds, inflorescence, and leaves of Argyroxiphium sandwicense ssp. macrocephalum, Bidens micrantha ssp. kalealaha, Clermonontia oblongifolia ssp. mauiensis, Clermontiia lindseyana, Clermontia peleana ssp. singuliflora, Ctenitis squamigera, Cyanea grimesiana ssp. grimesiana, Diplazium molokaiense, Geranium arboreum, Geranium multiflorum, Ischaemum byrone, Melicpoe balloui, Melicope ovalis, Phlegmariurus mannii, Plantago princeps var. laxiflora, Platanthera holochila, Schiedea halakalensis, Schiedea hookeri, Solanum incompletum, and Huperzia mannii in conjunction with viability and propagation research, and herbarium and taxonomic identification, at Haleakala National Park, Hawaii for the purpose of enhancing their survival. Activities with all species except Clermontiia lindseyana, Clermontia peleana ssp. singuliflora, Ctenitis squamigera, Cyanea grimesiana ssp. grimesiana, Diplazium molokaiense, Ischaemum byrone, Melicpoe balloui, Melicope ovalis, Phlegmariurus mannii, Plantago princeps var. laxiflora, Platanthera holochila, Schiedea hookeri, and Solanum incompletum were previously covered under subpermit NPSHAL-8.

Permit No. TE-797665

Applicant: Regional Environmental Consultants, San Diego, California.