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**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Army Waterways Experiment Station, 3909 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, MS, 39180-6199, ATTN: CEWES-OC.

**DATES:** Written objections must be filed not later than February 4, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Phil Stewart (601) 634-4113.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A Concrete Armor Units were invented by Jeffrey A. Melby and George F. Turk. Rights to United States patent and the patent applications have been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army. The Army United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army intends to grant exclusive license for all fields of use, in the manufacture, use, and sale in the territories and possessions, including territorial waters of, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Kuwait, Jamaica, Australia and New Zealand, to Concrete Technology Corporation, P.O. Box 1159, Tacoma, WA 98401.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 404, 7(a)(1)(I), any interested party may file a written objection to this exclusive license agreement.

**Richard L. Frenette,**

*Counsel.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests.

**SUMMARY:** The 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:** An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by December 29, 1999. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are

invited to submit comments on or before February 4, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer: Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget; 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (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 Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. 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. ED 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 respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: November 30, 1999.

**William E. Burrow,**

*Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of Vocational and Adult Education

*Type of Review: Revision.*

*Title:* Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act (P.L. 105-332)—State Plans.

*Frequency:* Annually.

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

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 56.

*Burden Hours:* 9,296.

*Abstract:* Pub. L. 105-332 requires eligible State agencies to submit a 5-year State plan, with annual revisions as the agency deems necessary, in order to receive Federal funds. Program staff review the plans for compliance and quality.

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 *OCIO-IMG-Issues@ed.gov* or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

For questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements, contact Sheila Carey at 202-708-6287 or electronically at her internet address *Sheila\_Carey@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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**Office of Educational Research and Improvement**

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Data Collection for the Program for International Student Assessment (PISA).

*Frequency:* Full-scale study.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 13,200.

*Burden Hours:* 11,000.

*Abstract:* PISA will collect policy-oriented and internationally-comparable indicators of student achievement in reading, mathematics, and science at the "end" of secondary school on a timely and regular basis (every three years). For comparability with other education

systems around the world, 15-year-old students will be assessed in the U.S. and comparisons of results will be made with approximately 30 countries.

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Written comments or questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Kathy Axt at 703-426-9692 or electronically at her internet address *Kathy Axt@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.

**Office of Educational Research and Improvement**

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* Beginning Postsecondary Students Longitudinal Study 1996-2001 (BPS: 1996/2001).

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 569.

*Burden Hours:* 224.

*Abstract:* The Beginning Postsecondary Students Longitudinal Study Second Follow-Up will continue the series of longitudinal data collection efforts started in 1996 with the National Postsecondary Student Aid Study to enhance knowledge concerning progress and persistence in postsecondary education for new entrants. The study will address issues such as progress, persistence, and completion of postsecondary education programs, entry into the work force, the relationship between experiences during postsecondary education and various societal and personal outcomes, and returns to the individual and to society on the investment in postsecondary education.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Sandia**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM-SSAB), Kirtland Area Office (Sandia). Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Wednesday, December 15, 1999: 5:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. (MST).

**ADDRESSES:** Afro-American Cultural Center, 2900 Broadway Boulevard, SE, Albuquerque, NM 87102, (505) 242-2340.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mike Zamorski, Acting Manager, Department of Energy Kirtland Area Office, P.O. Box 5400, MS-0184, Albuquerque, NM 87185, (505) 845-4094.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Purpose of the Board:* The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

*Tentative Agenda*

5:30-6:15 p.m. DOE Quarterly Update—"Burn Site Cleanups"

6:15-7:15 p.m. Social Pot Luck

7:15-7:30 p.m. Check In—Agenda—Minutes

7:30-7:45 p.m. Public Comment

6:45-8:00 p.m. Celebrate Success—Sandia SSAB review of past year accomplishments

8:00-8:45 p.m. Coordinating council's proposal for Task Groups to address Work Plan 200, Coordinating Council's proposal for Timeline, Discuss field trips and on-site meeting options, Overall Sandia SSAB discussion, amendments if needed, and approval

8:45-9:00 p.m. Adjourn

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. Written statements