SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NIJ was tasked with supporting the President’s Plan to Reduce Gun Violence, specifically:

The President is directing the Attorney General to work with technology experts to review existing and emerging gun safety technologies, and to issue a report on the availability and use of those technologies. In addition, the Administration will issue a challenge to the private sector to develop innovative and cost-effective gun safety technology and provide prizes for those technologies that are proven to be reliable and effective.

In support of this Executive action, NIJ has conducted a technology assessment and market survey of existing and emerging gun safety technologies that would be of interest to the law enforcement and criminal justice communities and others with an interest in gun safety and advanced firearm technology. These firearms or firearms accessories can be understood to use integrated components that exclusively permit an authorized user or set of users to operate or fire the gun and automatically deactivate it under a set of specific circumstances, reducing the chances of accidental or purposeful use by an unauthorized user. The integrated gun safety technology may include different authentication technologies, such as radio frequency identification and fingerprint sensors.


NIJ now seeks an objective demonstration of the reliability of firearms available today with advanced gun safety technology integrated into the firearm. The reliability of firearms with integrated advanced safety technologies has been cited as a concern regarding the potential performance and user acceptance of products that may incorporate such technologies, as discussed in the 2013 NIJ report. It is anticipated that the results of the Challenge will provide a basis to improve the general understanding of whether the addition of a smart gun technology does or does not significantly reduce the reliability of the firearm system compared to existing firearms. It is believed that this is the first effort to apply a methodology to provide a rigorous and scientific assessment of the technical performance characteristics of these types of firearms.

With this Challenge, manufacturers and developers of (1) firearms that incorporate advanced safety technologies or (2) firearms accessories utilizing advanced safety technologies that are intended to modify firearms were able to submit their products for testing and evaluation. The Challenge is designed to proceed in an escalated manner in three stages, including an informational and safety review, light duty single product testing, and more heavy duty expanded product testing. To assess the reliability of smart gun technology, the U.S. Army Aberdeen Test Center (ATC) plans to perform firearm testing and evaluation. The Challenge was published on October 7, 2015, and closed to submissions on January 5, 2016.

NIJ hopes to better understand the effect of smart gun technology on the reliability of the firearm versus the same or similar firearms without the added safety technology. This Challenge seeks “apples to apples” comparisons to the greatest extent possible. Testing and evaluation is designed to prioritize the collection and use of data that can substantiate conclusions about the relative performance of firearms, so that firearms with and without advanced gun safety technology that are similar with respect to type, form factor, caliber, and other physical characteristics are tested and evaluated using a common methodology and equivalent ammunition. Testing and evaluation is not designed to provide comparison of test results against absolute performance requirements or safety criteria, but rather to provide a meaningful comparison of test results of one firearm against another similar firearm, or a firearm with and without a relevant safety accessory. NIJ recently sought feedback from the public on the draft test procedures developed for the Gun Safety Technology Challenge, published here: https://federalregister.gov/a/2016-10121. That document describes test methods to provide a basis to determine whether the addition of a smart gun technology does or does not significantly reduce the reliability of the firearm system compared to existing firearms.

Nancy Rodriguez,
Director, National Institute of Justice.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs

Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health: Subcommittee on Industrial Hygienists (IH) & Contract Medical Consultants (CMC) and Their Reports

AGENCY: Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs, Labor.

ACTION: Announcement of meeting of the Subcommittee on IH & CMC and Their Reports of the Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health (Advisory Board) for the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA).

SUMMARY: The subcommittee will meet via teleconference on July 18, 2016, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Board is mandated by Section 3687 of EEOICPA. The Secretary of Labor established the Board under this authority and Executive Order 13699 (June 26, 2015). The purpose of the Advisory Board is to advise the Secretary with respect to: (1) The Site Exposure Matrices (SEM) of the Department of Labor; (2) medical guidance for claims examiners for claims with the EEOICPA program, with respect to the weighing of the medical evidence of claimants; (3) evidentiary requirements for claims under Part B of EEOICPA related to lung disease; and (4) the work of industrial hygienists and staff physicians and consulting physicians of the Department of Labor and reports of such hygienists and physicians to ensure quality, objectivity, and consistency. The Advisory Board sunsets on December 19, 2019. This subcommittee is being assembled to gather data and begin working on advice under Area #4, IH & CMC and Their Reports.

The Advisory Board operates in accordance with the Federal Advisory...
Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App. 2) and its implementing regulations (41 CFR part 102–3).

Agenda: The tentative agenda for the Subcommittee on IH & CMC and Their Reports meeting includes:
- Defining the issues and scope of the subcommittee’s topic area: the work of industrial hygienists and staff physicians and consulting physicians and their reports to ensure quality, objectivity and consistency;
- Defining data and informational needs (and review) for the topic area;
- Drafting the initial work plan with a timetable.

OWCP transcribes Advisory Board subcommittee meetings. OWCP posts the transcripts on the Advisory Board Web page, http://www.dol.gov/owcp/energy/regs/compliance/AdvisoryBoard.htm, along with written comments and other materials submitted to the subcommittee or presented at subcommittee meetings.

Public Participation, Submissions, and Access to the Public Record

Subcommittee meeting: The subcommittee will meet via teleconference on Monday, July 18, 2016, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Advisory Board subcommittee meetings are open to the public. The teleconference number and other details for listening to the meeting will be posted on the Advisory Board’s Web site no later than 72 hours prior to the meeting. This information will be posted at http://www.dol.gov/owcp/energy/regs/compliance/AdvisoryBoard.htm.

Requests for special accommodations: Please submit requests for special accommodations to participate in the subcommittee meeting by email, telephone, or hard copy to Ms. Carrie Rhoads, OWCP, Room S–3524, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 343–5580; email EnergyAdvisoryBoard@dol.gov.

Submission of written comments for the record: You may submit written comments, identified by the subcommittee name and the meeting date of July 18, 2016, by any of the following methods:
- Electronically: Send to: EnergyAdvisoryBoard@dol.gov (specify in the email subject line, “Subcommittee on IH & CMC and Their Reports”);
- Mail, express delivery, hand delivery, messenger, or courier service: Submit one copy to the following address: U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs, Advisory Board on Toxic Substances and Worker Health, Room S–3522, 200 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20210. Due to security-related procedures, receipt of submissions by regular mail may experience significant delays. Comments must be received by July 11, 2016. OWCP will make available publically, without change, any written comments, including any personal information that you provide. Therefore, OWCP cautions interested parties against submitting personal information such as Social Security numbers and birthdates.
- Electronic copies of this Federal Register notice are available at http://www.regulations.gov. This notice, as well as news releases and other relevant information, are also available on the Advisory Board’s Web page at http://www.dol.gov/owcp/energy/regs/compliance/AdvisoryBoard.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Antonio Rios, Designated Federal Officer, at rios.anthony@dol.gov, or Carrie Rhoads, Alternate Designated Federal Officer, at rhoads.carrie@dol.gov, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Suite S–3524, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 343–5580.

This is not a toll-free number.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 17th day of June, 2016.

Leonard J. Howie III,
Director, Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs.

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LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meeting; Notice

DATE AND TIME: The Legal Services Corporation’s Finance Committee will meet telephonically on June 28, 2016. The meeting will commence at 3:00 p.m., EDT, and will continue until the conclusion of the Committee’s agenda.


PUBLIC OBSERVATION: Members of the public who are unable to attend in person but wish to listen to the public proceedings may do so by following the telephone call-in directions provided below.

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STATUS OF MEETING: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:
1. Approval of agenda
2. Discussion with Management regarding recommendations for LSC’s fiscal year 2018 budget request
- Jim Sandman, President
- Carol Bergman, Director.
- Government Relations and Public Affairs
3. Discussion with Inspector General regarding the OIG’s fiscal year 2018 budget request
- Jeffery Schanz, Inspector General
- David Maddox, Assistant Inspector General for Management & Evaluation
4. Consider and act on FY 2018 Budget Request Resolution 2016–XXX
5. Public comment
6. Consider and act on other business
7. Consider and act on adjournment of meeting

CONTACT PERSON FOR INFORMATION: Katherine Ward, Executive Assistant to the Vice President & General Counsel, at (202) 295–1500. Questions may be sent by electronic mail to FR_NOTICE_QUESTIONS@lsc.gov.

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Dated: June 21, 2016.

Katherine Ward,
Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel.