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Jennifer Spaeth,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Office of Biotechnology Activities; Recombinant DNA Research: Proposed Actions Under the NIH Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant DNA Molecules (NIH Guidelines)

ACTION: Notice of consideration of a proposed action under the *NIH Guidelines*.

SUMMARY: A proposal by Dr. Harlan Caldwell at the Rocky Mountain Laboratories (RML) involving the deliberate transfer of a tetracycline resistance trait to non-ocular strains of *Chlamydia trachomatis* has been submitted to the NIH Office of Biotechnology Activities (OBA). The introduction of tetracycline resistance could compromise the ability to treat disease caused by *Chlamydia trachomatis* as doxycycline is currently used to treat disease caused by this organism. Under Section III-A-1 of the *NIH Guidelines*, if the deliberate transfer of a drug resistance trait to microorganisms could compromise the use of the drug to control disease in humans, veterinary medicine, or agriculture the experiment must be reviewed by the NIH Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee (RAC) and approved by the NIH Director.

On September 24, 2007 the NIH Director granted approval to Dr. Daniel Rockey, Oregon State University and Dr. Walter Stamm, University of Washington, to introduce tetracycline resistance into non-ocular strains of *Chlamydia trachomatis* under the containment level recommended by the RAC—Biosafety level 2 containment with Biosafety level 3 practices (see *NIH Guidelines* Appendix G-II-B and G-II-C). The requirements regarding containment as well as additional

required occupational health measures were published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 61661). This approval was specific for Dr. Rockey at Oregon State University and Dr. Stamm at the University of Washington.

Dr. Caldwell at RML is proposing to develop a plasmid-based system to define the experimental conditions required for transformation of non-ocular *C. trachomatis* strains to tetracycline resistance. The investigators are proposing to perform these experiments under the same containment and implement the same occupational health measures required for the research proposed by Drs. Rockey and Stamm (72 FR 61661). This proposal will be discussed at the December 1-3, 2009 meeting of NIH Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee.

DATES: The public is encouraged to submit written comments on this proposed action. Comments may be submitted to the OBA in paper or electronic form at the OBA mailing, fax, and e-mail addresses shown below under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. The NIH will consider all comments submitted by November 25, 2009. Written comments submitted by November 12, 2009 will be reproduced and distributed to the RAC for consideration at its December 1-3, 2009 meeting. In addition, an opportunity for public comment will be provided at that meeting. All written comments received in response to this notice will be available for public inspection at the NIH OBA office, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892 (telephone, 301-496-9838), weekdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact OBA by e-mail at oba@od.nih.gov, or telephone at 301-496-9838, if you have questions, or require additional information about this proposed action. Comments may be submitted to the same email address or by fax at 301-496-9839 or sent by U.S. mail to the Office of Biotechnology Activities, National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, MSC 7985, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7985. For additional information about the RAC meeting at which this proposed action will be deliberated, please visit the NIH OBA Web site at: <http://oba.od.nih.gov/oba/index.html>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Background information may be obtained by contacting NIH OBA via e-mail at oba@od.nih.gov or by going to the OBA Web site at http://oba.od.nih.gov/rdna_rac_rac_meetings.html.

Dated: October 21, 2009.

Jacqueline Corrigan-Curay,

Acting Director, Office of Biotechnology Activities, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

Privacy Act of 1974; Consolidation of Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General System of Records

AGENCY: Privacy Office, DHS.

ACTION: Notice to consolidate one Privacy Act system of records notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 the Department of Homeland Security is giving notice that it proposes to consolidate the Privacy Act system of records notice titled, Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector—001 General Audit Training Tracking System of Records into the existing Department of Homeland Security-wide system of records notice titled, Department of Homeland Security/ALL—003 General Training Records System of Records.

DATES: These changes will take effect on November 27, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general questions and privacy issues please contact: Mary Ellen Callahan (703-235-0790), Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, and as part of its ongoing integration and management efforts, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is consolidating the system of records notice titled, DHS/Office of Inspector General (OIG)—001 Audit Training Tracking System of Records (70 FR 20154, April 18, 2005).

DHS will continue to collect and maintain records regarding audit training and will rely upon the existing DHS-wide system of records notice titled, DHS/ALL—003 General Training Records System of Records (73 FR 71656, November 25, 2008).

Eliminating this notice will have no adverse impacts on individuals, but will promote the overall streamlining and management of DHS Privacy Act record systems.

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Mary Ellen Callahan,

Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. DHS-2009-0094]

Privacy Act of 1974; Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General—002 Investigative Records System of Records

AGENCY: Privacy Office, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of revised Privacy Act system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 the Department of Homeland Security proposes to revise a system of records titled, Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General—002 Investigative Records System of Records, previously titled, Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General—002 Investigations Data Management System of Records. As a result of the biennial review of this system and changes to the application software, the Department of Homeland Security is proposing changes to the system name, system classification, categories of individuals and records in the system, authorities for maintenance of the system, routine uses, as well as storage, safeguards, retention and disposal, and notification procedures. There will be no change to the Privacy Act exemptions currently in place for this system of records, however, the Department is issuing a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking concurrent with this system of records elsewhere in the **Federal Register** to reflect the system name change. This revised system will be included in the Department of Homeland Security's inventory of record systems.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 27, 2009. Changes to this system will be effective November 27, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket Number DHS-2009-0094, by one of the following methods:

- *Federal e-Rulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Fax:* 703-483-2999.
- *Mail:* Mary Ellen Callahan, Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office,

Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528.

• *Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this notice. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

• *Docket:* For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general questions please contact: Doris A. Wojnarowski (202-254-4211), Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General, Mail Stop 2600, 245 Murray Drive, SW., Building 410, Washington, DC 20528; or by facsimile (202) 254-4299. For privacy issues please contact: Mary Ellen Callahan (703-235-0780), Chief Privacy Officer, Privacy Office, Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20528.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of Inspector General (OIG) is revising a system of records under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), for its investigative files. The Department is updating and reissuing the DHS/OIG-002 Investigations Data Management System of Records (IDMS) (70 FR 58448, October 6, 2005) under a new name, the DHS/OIG-002 Investigative Records System of Records, to cover these and additional records.

The DHS Inspector General is responsible for conducting and supervising independent and objective audits, inspections, and investigations of the programs and operations of DHS. The OIG promotes economy, efficiency, and effectiveness within the Department and prevents and detects fraud, waste, and abuse in its programs and operations. The OIG's Office of Investigations investigates allegations of criminal, civil, and administrative misconduct involving DHS employees, contractors, grantees, and Departmental programs and activities. These investigations can result in criminal prosecutions, fines, civil monetary penalties, and administrative sanctions. Additionally, the Office of Investigations provides oversight and monitors the investigative activity of DHS' various internal affairs offices.

The DHS/OIG-002 Investigative Records System of Records assists the OIG with receiving and processing allegations of violation of criminal,

civil, and administrative laws and regulations relating to DHS employees, contractors, grantees, and other individuals and entities associated with DHS. The system includes both paper investigative files and the Enforcement Data System (EDS), an electronic case management and tracking information system which also generates reports. EDS allows the OIG to manage information provided during the course of its investigations, and, in the process, to facilitate its management of investigations and investigative resources. Through EDS, the OIG can create a record showing disposition of allegations; track actions taken by management regarding misconduct; track legal actions taken following referrals to the U.S. Department of Justice for prosecution or civil action; provide a system for creating and reporting statistical information; and track OIG investigators' qualifications as well as government property and other resources used in investigative activities.

This system notice makes several changes to the existing record system. It changes the name of the system; adds unclassified information to system classification; adds Federal agencies, DHS contractors, DHS grantees, DHS components, and DHS OIG employees performing investigative functions to categories of individuals covered by the system; completely updates categories of records within the system; adds new authorities for maintenance of the system to include 6 U.S.C. 113(b) and the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended; revises the routine uses to conform with the needs of DHS OIG; updates storage, safeguards and retention and disposal of the system; and outlines notification procedures for the system.

Consistent with DHS's information sharing mission, information stored in the DHS/OIG-002 Investigative Records System of Records may be shared with other DHS components, as well as appropriate Federal, State, local, tribal, foreign, or international government agencies. This sharing will only take place after DHS determines that the receiving agency has a need to know the information to carry out national security, law enforcement, immigration, intelligence, or other functions consistent with the routine uses set forth in this system of records notice.

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 DHS proposes to revise a system of records titled, DHS/OIG-002 Investigative Records System of Records, previously titled, DHS/OIG-002 Investigations Data Management System of Records (70 FR 58448,