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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lungching Chiao, U.S. Department of Education, International Education and Graduate Programs Service, 1990 K Street, NW., Suite 6066, Washington, DC 20006-8521. Telephone: (202) 502-7624 or via Internet: lungching.chiao@ed.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of a new system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (Privacy Act), the Department of Education (Department) publishes this notice of a new system of records for tracking telephone calls and correspondence from State personnel and parents about disability issues related to children with disabilities.

DATES: The Department seeks comments on the new system of records described in this notice, in accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act. We must receive your comments on or before September 10, 2003.

The Department filed a report describing the system of records covered by this notice with the Chair of the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, the Chair of the House Committee on Government Reform, and the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on August 6, 2003. This system of records will become effective at the later date of—(1) The expiration of the 40-day period for OMB review on September 15, 2003 or (2) September 10, 2003, unless the system of records needs to be changed as a result of public comment or OMB review.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments about this system of records to Larry Wexler, Deputy, Monitoring & State Improvement Planning Division, Office of Special Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3630, Mary E. Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202. If you prefer to send your comments through the Internet, use the following address: comments@ed.gov. You must include the term "OSEP

TRACKING SYSTEM" in the subject line of the electronic comment.

During and after the comment period, you may inspect all comments about this notice in room 3630, Mary E. Switzer Building, 330 C Street, SW., Washington, DC, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday of each week except Federal holidays.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

The Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4)) requires the Department to publish in the **Federal Register** this notice of a new system of records maintained by the Department. The Department's regulations implementing the Privacy Act are contained in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) in 34 CFR part 5b.

The Privacy Act applies to a record about an individual that contains individually identifiable information that is retrieved by a unique identifier associated with each individual, such as a name or social security number. The information about each individual is called a "record," and the system, whether manual or computer-based, is called a "system of records." The Privacy Act requires each agency to publish notices of systems of records in the **Federal Register** and to prepare reports to OMB whenever the agency publishes a new or altered system of records. Each agency is also required to send copies of the report to the chair of the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs and the chair of the House Committee on Governmental Reform.