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The CERHR follows a formal process for the evaluation of selected chemicals that includes opportunities for public input. The NTP-CERHR monographs are the final products of those evaluations. NTP-CERHR monographs include three parts: (1) The NTP brief, which presents the NTP's interpretation of the available data and its conclusions on the potential for a chemical to cause adverse developmental and reproductive effects in humans, (2) the expert panel report, and (3) all public comments on the expert panel report. The NTP utilizes information provided in the expert panel report, the public comments, as well as information from studies published since the expert panel meeting in reaching its conclusions about any potential hazard for humans.

Plans for Announcing Availability of Future Monographs

All future notifications about the availability of NTP-CERHR monographs will be provided through announcements from the NTP list-server (an electronic mail service) and on the CERHR web site: <http://cerhr.niehs.nih.gov>. Anyone can subscribe to the NTP list-server to receive notification about these documents and other NTP activities in several ways: (1) By registering on-line through the NTP web site at <http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov>, select Announcements, (2) by sending an e-mail to ntpmail-request@list.niehs.nih.gov with the word *subscribe* as the body of the message, or (3) by contacting the NTP Liaison and Scientific Review Office (919-541-0530 or liaison@starbase.niehs.nih.gov). Individuals or groups who have already subscribed to the NTP list-server do not need to subscribe again.

Monographs are now completed for six phthalates [di-butyl phthalate (DBP), butyl benzyl phthalate (BBP), di-isodecyl phthalate (DIDP), di-isononyl phthalate (DINP), di-n-hexyl phthalate (DnHP), and di-n-octyl phthalate (DnOP)] and methanol. The monographs

for di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), 1-bromopropane, 2-bromopropane, ethylene glycol, and propylene glycol are in production and the NTP will make them available as soon as they are completed.

Background Information About CERHR

The NTP established the NTP CERHR in June 1998 [Federal Register, December 14, 1998: Volume 63, Number 239, page 68782]. The CERHR is a publicly accessible resource for information about adverse reproductive and/or developmental health effects associated with exposure to environmental and/or occupational agents. The CERHR carries out assessments of these agents following a formal, multi-step, open process that includes rigorous evaluations by independent scientific panels in public forums and opportunities for public input. This process was published in the Federal Register (July 16, 2001: Volume 66, Number 136, pages 37047-37048) and is available on the CERHR web site see About CERHR or in printed text from the CERHR.

The CERHR invites the nomination of agents for review or scientists for its expert registry. Information about CERHR and the nomination process can be obtained from its homepage (<http://cerhr.niehs.nih.gov>) or by contacting Dr. Shelby (contact information provided above). The CERHR selects chemicals for evaluation based upon several factors, including production volume, extent of human exposure, public concern, and published evidence of reproductive or developmental toxicity.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4815-N-81]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Emergency Comment Request; Needs Assessment Survey for Farmworkers of Manatee County, FL

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

The Department is proposing a survey of the housing needs of the farmworkers and their families who reside in Manatee County, Florida.

DATES: Comments Due Date: October 17, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal.

Comments must be received within seven (7) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and should be sent to: Lauren Wittenberg, HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; e-mail:

Lauren.Wittenberg@omb.eop.gov; fax: 202-395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, AYO, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Wayne.Eddins@HUD.gov; telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Notice informs the public that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has submitted to OMB, for emergency processing, a proposed revision to the currently approved information collection for selecting applicants for the Fair Housing Initiatives (FHIP) Program grants.

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

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