

Further information may be obtained from Patsy J. Stuart of the Regulatory Reports Review Staff, 202-275-3532.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD

CAB requests clearance of the new, single time reporting requirements contained in Appendix A to Civil Aeronautics Board Order 77-2-87, dated February 18, 1977. The information provided will assist the Board in determining what further procedural steps, if any, are appropriate in the Institutional Control of Air Carriers Investigation, Docket 26348. The principal purposes of the Institutional Control of Air Carriers Investigation is to determine whether and in what manner financial institutions may influence the management of air carriers. Order 77-2-87 directs the Board's Bureau of Operating Rights to conduct an informal investigation at the close of which the Board will determine whether further procedural steps such as rulemaking, legislative recommendation, or adjudication, are appropriate. Through Appendix A the Board seeks to obtain industry-wide data depicting the financial and other relationships between air carriers and financial institutions and other persons. CAB states respondents are approximately 25 air carriers; 10 insurance companies; 24 banks; 7 flight equipment manufacturers and their lease credit subsidiaries and flight equipment lessors; 5 investment bankers, securities brokers and funds; and the Air Transport Association, the National Air Carriers Association and the Transportation Association of America. CAB estimates reporting burden for each respondent to average: 510 hours for air carriers, 355 hours for insurance companies, 387.5 hours for banks, 210 hours for equipment manufacturers, 235 hours for investment bankers, and 32 hours for the association.

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

CPSC requests clearance of a new voluntary survey plan to collect data on the size and types of objects involved in suffocation deaths to children between birth and six years and corresponding oral pharyngeal tract measurements. This information collection is authorized under Public Law 92-573, including amendments enacted in October 1972 and May 1976. This information is needed by CPSC to develop a small parts standard for protecting children under six years old from suffocation. In a letter dated December 26, 1976, CPSC invited 600 prospective respondents, such as members of the National Association of Medical Examiners, vital statistics offices, hospitals and emergency rooms to participate in the survey. CPSC anticipates that 100 of the invitees will respond. A letter will be sent to each of the 100 potential respondents giving more specific information on the type of data needed. CPSC estimates that each respondent will furnish information on an average of 5.5 cases. CPSC will then request by a voluntary response letter to hospitals any information they may have on each of the cases cited by the

respondents but for which they were unable to furnish full information. CPSC estimates the time for respondents to collate and furnish the data to average 2.75 hours per response.

NORMAN F. HEYL,
Regulatory Reports Review Officer.
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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

[Federal Property Management Regs.; Temp. Reg. F-417]

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Delegation of Authority

1. *Purpose.* This regulation delegates authority to the Secretary of Defense to represent the consumer interests of the executive agencies of the Federal Government in a gas and electric rate increase proceeding.

2. *Effective date.* This regulation is effective immediately.

3. Delegation.

(a) Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, 63 Stat. 377, as amended, particularly sections 201(a)(4) and 205(d) (40 U.S.C. 481(a)(4) and 486(d)), authority is delegated to the Secretary of Defense to represent the consumer interests of the executive agencies of the Federal Government before the Montana Public Service Commission (Docket No. 6454) involving the petition filed by the Montana Power Company, requesting an increase in its gas and electric rates.

(b) The Secretary of Defense may redelegate this authority to any officer, official, or employee of the Department of Defense.

(c) This authority shall be exercised in accordance with the policies, procedures, and controls prescribed by the General Services Administration, and shall be exercised in cooperation with the responsible officers, officials, and employees thereof.

Dated: February 25, 1977.

ROBERT T. GRIFFIN,
Acting Administrator
of General Services.

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[Federal Property Management Regs.;
Temp. Reg. G-30]

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Delegation of Authority

1. *Purpose.* This regulation delegates authority to the Secretary of Defense to represent the consumer interests of the executive agencies of the Federal Government in a transportation rulemaking proceeding.

2. *Effective date.* This regulation is effective immediately.

3. Delegation.

(a) Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, 63 Stat. 377, as amended, particularly sec-

tions 201(a)(4) and 205(d) (40 U.S.C. 481(a)(4) and 486(d)), authority is delegated to the Secretary of Defense to represent the consumer interests of the executive agencies of the Federal Government before the Hawaii Public Utility Commission (Docket No. 3026) involving an Order of the Commission which initiates a rulemaking proceeding to amend its Rules of Practice and Procedure.

(b) The Secretary of Defense may redelegate this authority to any officer, official, or employee of the Department of Defense.

(c) This authority shall be exercised in accordance with the policies, procedures, and controls prescribed by the General Services Administration, and shall be exercised in cooperation with the responsible officers, officials, and employees thereof.

ROBERT T. GRIFFIN,
Acting Administrator.

FEBRUARY 25, 1977.

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[Federal Property Management Regs.;
Temporary Reg. F-416]

SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

Delegation of Authority

1. *Purpose.* This regulation delegates to the Secretary of Agriculture, for re-delegation to the Forest Service only, authority to enter into long-term contracts with public utilities for the purchase of electric, gas, water, and waste treatment and disposal services for the period November 11, 1976, through November 10, 1977.

2. *Effective date.* This regulation is effective November 11, 1976.

3. *Delegation.* (a) Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, 63 Stat. 377, as amended, authority is delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture for re-delegation only to the Forest Service, to enter into contracts in accordance with section 201(a)(3) thereof, for a period not to exceed 10 years for the purchase of electric, gas, water, and waste treatment and disposal services with public utilities under the following circumstances:

(1) When the annual cost of service per contract is not more than \$50,000; and

(2) When the connection or termination charge does not exceed \$50,000 for any one contract.

(b) This delegation of authority shall be subject to all provisions of Title III of said act with respect to such contracts and to all other applicable provisions of law.

(c) The authority delegated herein may be re-delegated to any official or contracting officer of the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

(d) The Forest Service shall file with the General Services Administration as soon as practicable after the execution thereof a copy of each contract, any amendments thereto which it may execute pursuant to the authority granted

by this delegation, and other pertinent data and information with respect to such contracts.

(e) This authority shall be exercised in accordance with the policies, procedures, and controls prescribed by the General Services Administration, and shall be exercised in cooperation with the responsible officers, officials, and employees thereof.

ROBERT T. GRIFFIN,
Acting Administrator
of General Services.

FEBRUARY 25, 1977.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 76G-0488]

PROCTER & GAMBLE

Filing of Petition for Affirmation of GRAS Status

Pursuant to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (secs. 201(s), 409, 701 (a), 52 Stat. 1055, 72 Stat. 1784-1788 as amended (21 U.S.C. 321(s), 348, 371(a)) and the regulations for affirmation of GRAS status (21 CFR 121.40), published in the FEDERAL REGISTER of December 2, 1972 (37 25705), notice is given that a petition (GRASP 7G0081) has been filed by the Procter & Gamble Co., 6071 Center Hill Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45224, and placed on public display in the office of the Hearing Clerk, Food and Drug Administration, proposing affirmation that "cocoa butter prepared from other vegetable oils" is generally recognized as safe (GRAS) for human use in candy products. The designated name in this petition is for descriptive purposes only and does not establish a common or usual name for this product. The common or usual name for this product, if any, will be established at the time that a final GRAS or food additive regulation is promulgated.

Any petition that meets the format requirements outlined in 21 CFR 121.40 is filed by the Food and Drug Administration. There is no pre-filing review of the adequacy of data to support a GRAS conclusion. Thus, the filing of a petition for GRAS affirmation should not be interpreted as a preliminary indication of suitability for affirmation.

Interested persons may, on or before May 9, 1977, review the petition and/or file comments (preferably in quintuplicate and identified with the Hearing Clerk docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document) with the Hearing Clerk, Food and Drug Administration, Rm. 4-65, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857. Comments should include any available information that would be helpful in determining whether the substance is or is not generally recognized as safe. A copy of the petition and received comments may be seen in the office of the Hearing Clerk,

address given above, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Dated: February 28, 1977.

HOWARD R. ROBERTS,
Acting Director, Bureau of Foods.

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS REVIEW COUNCIL Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Council meeting:

Name: National Professional Standards Review Council.

Date and time: March 21, 1977 (10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.); March 22, 1977 (9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.).

Place: Auditorium (first floor), DHEW North Building, 330 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C.

Purpose of Meeting. The Council was established to advise the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare on the administration of Professional Standards Review (Title XI, Part B, Social Security Act). Professional Standards Review is the procedure to assure that the services for which payment may be made under the Social Security Act are medically necessary and conform to appropriate professional standards for the provision of quality health care. The Council's agenda will include discussion of a variety of issues relevant to the implementation of the PSRO program.

Meeting of the Council is open to the public. Public attendance is limited to space available.

Any member of the public may file a written statement with the Council before, during, or after the meeting. To the extent that time permits, the Council Chairman may allow public presentation of oral statements at the meeting.

All communications regarding this Council should be addressed to William D. Coughlan, Staff Director, National Professional Standards Review Council, Office of Quality Standards, Room 16A-09, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857.

Dated: March 1, 1977.

WILLIAM B. MUNIER,
Executive Secretary, National
Professional Standards Review
Council.

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Office of Education

ACCREDITATION AND INSTITUTIONAL ELIGIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Schedule and Proposed Agenda of Public Meeting

AGENCY: United States Office of Education, HEW.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of the next public meeting of the Advisory Commit-

tee on Accreditation and Institutional Eligibility. It also describes the functions of the Committee. Notice of these meetings is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix 1, 10(a) (2)). This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend and to participate.

DATES: March 23, 1977, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., local time; March 24, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and March 25, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Requests for oral presentations before the Committee must be received on or before March 15, 1977. All written material which a party wishes to file may be submitted at any time and will be considered by the Advisory Committee.

ADDRESS: Old Town Holiday Inn, 480 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

John R. Proffitt, Director, Division of Eligibility and Agency Evaluation, Office of Education, Room 3030, ROB 3, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20202. (202-245-9873).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Committee on Accreditation and Institutional Eligibility is established pursuant to section 253 of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act (Chapter 33, Title 38, U.S. Code). The Committee is directed to:

1. Review all current and future policies relating to the responsibility of the Commissioner for the recognition and designation of accrediting agencies and associations wishing to be designated as nationally recognized accrediting agencies and associations, and recommend desirable changes in criteria and procedures;

2. Review all current and future policies relating to the responsibility of the Commissioner for the recognition and listing of State agencies wishing to be designated as reliable authority as to the quality of public post-secondary vocational education, and of nurse education, and recommend desirable changes in criteria and procedures;

3. Review and advise the Commissioner of Education in the formation of all current and future policy relating to the matter of institutional eligibility;

4. Review the provisions of current legislation affecting Office of Education responsibility in the area of accreditation and institutional eligibility and suggest needed changes to the Commissioner of Education;

5. Develop and recommend to the Commissioner of Education criteria and procedures for the recognition and designation of accrediting agencies and associations in accordance with legislative provisions, Presidential directives, or interagency agreements;

6. Review and recommend to the Commissioner of Education for designation as nationally recognized accrediting agencies and associations of reliable authority all applicant accrediting agencies and associations which meet criteria established under (5) above;

7. Develop and recommend to the Commissioner of Education criteria and procedures for the recognition, designation and listing of State agencies in accordance with statutory provisions, Executive Orders, or interagency agreements;

8. Review and recommend to the Commissioner of Education for designation as State agencies of reliable authority as to the quality of public postsecondary vocational edu-

cation, and of nurse education, all applicant State agencies which meet criteria established under (7) above;

9. Develop, under the authority of the Vocational Education Act of 1963, as amended, and recommend for the approval of the Commissioner of Education, standards and criteria for specific categories of private vocational training institutions which have no alternative route by which to establish eligibility for Federal funding programs;

10. Develop, under the authority of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, and recommend for the approval of the Commissioner of Education, standards and criteria for specific categories of institutions of higher education, for which there is no recognized accrediting agency or association, in order to establish eligibility for participation in the student loan programs authorized by Title IV-B thereof;

11. Maintain a continuous review of Office of Education administrative practice, procedures and judgments relating to accreditation and institutional eligibility and advise the Commissioner of needed changes;

12. Keep within its purview the accreditation and approval process as it develops in all levels of education;

13. Advise the Commissioner of Education concerning the relations of the Office with accrediting agencies or associations, or other approval bodies as the Commissioner may request.

14. Advise the Commissioner of Education, pursuant to the Bureau of the Budget (Office of Management and Budget) policy dated December 23, 1954, regarding the award of degree-granting status to Federal agencies and institutions.

15. Not later than March 31 of each year, make an annual report of its activities, findings and recommendations.

The meeting on March 23, 24 and 25, 1977, will be open to the public. This meeting will be held at the Old Town Holiday Inn, Alexandria, Virginia. The Committee will review petitions and reports by accrediting and State approval agencies for initial or continued recognition by the U.S. Commissioner of Education. The Committee also will hear presentations by representatives of the petitioning agencies and interested third parties, and will review policy items pertaining to accreditation and institutional eligibility. Agencies having petitions and reports pending before the Committee are:

American Association of Bible Colleges
American Bar Association, Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar
American Dietetic Association, Commission on Evaluation of Dietetic Education
American Psychological Association, Committee on Accreditation
American Society of Landscape Architects, Board of Landscape Architectural Accreditation
Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
Liaison Committee on Medical Education
National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving the Blind and Visually Handicapped
National Architectural Accrediting Board, Inc.
National Association of Trade and Technical Schools, Accrediting Commission
National League for Nursing, Inc., Boards of Review
New Hampshire Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration
West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Nurses

Requests for oral presentations before the Committee should be submitted in writing to the Director, Division of Eligibility and Agency Evaluation, Office of Education, Room 3030, ROB 3, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20202. Requests should include the names of all persons seeking an appearance, the party or parties which they represent, and the purpose for which the presentation is requested. Requests must be received by the Division of Eligibility and Agency Evaluation on or before March 15, 1977. Time constraints may limit oral presentations. However, all additional written material that a party wishes to file will be considered by the Advisory Committee.

Records shall be kept of all Committee proceedings and shall be available for public inspection at the Division of Eligibility and Agency Evaluation.

Signed at Washington, D.C., on March 3, 1977.

JOHN R. PROFFITT,
Director, Division of Eligibility
and Agency Evaluation,
Office of Education.

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NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON ADULT EDUCATION

Meeting

AGENCY: National Advisory Council on Adult Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Advisory Council on Adult Education sets forth in this notice the agenda of the forthcoming conference on futures and amendments for adult education legislation; conference is open to the public; and, functions of the Council. Notice of this conference is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, Section 10(a)(2)).

DATES: March 31, 1977, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; March 22, 1977, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ADDRESS: Hotel Washington, 15th and Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Gary A. Eyre, Executive Director, National Advisory Council on Adult Education, 425 13th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 2004. (202-376-8892).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Advisory Council on Adult Education is established under Section 311 of the Adult Education Act (80 Stat. 1216.20 U.S.C. 1201). The Council is directed to:

Advise the Commissioner in the preparation of general regulations and with respect to policy matters arising in the administration of this title, including policies and procedures governing the approval of State plans under section 306 and policies to eliminate duplication, and to effectuate the coordination of programs under this title and other programs offering adult education activities and services.

The Council shall review the administration and effectiveness of programs under this

title, make recommendations with respect thereto, and make annual reports to the President of its findings and recommendations (including recommendations for changes in this title and other Federal laws relating to adult education activities and services). The President shall transmit each such report to the Congress together with his comments and recommendations.

The conference shall be open to the public; however, because of limited space, interested persons wanting to attend must contact, in writing, the Executive Director. The proposed agenda includes:

Federal Legislative Overview.
FY-78 Appropriations.
Sectional Amendments to the Adult Education Act.
Future Legislative Components and Specifications.
Compilation of Legislative Recommendations.

Recommendations and conclusions from this conference will be compiled in concert with other futures and amendments conference materials, and shall be available for public inspection at the Office of the National Advisory Council on Adult Education located in Room 323, Pennsylvania Bldg., 425 13th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004.

Signed at Washington, D.C. on March 2, 1977.

GARY A. EYRE,
Executive Director, National
Advisory Council on Adult
Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

(NH 29863)

NEW MEXICO

Application

FEBRUARY 28, 1977.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to section 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 185), as amended by the Act of November 16, 1973 (87 Stat. 576), Phillips Petroleum Company has applied for one 4½-inch natural gas pipeline right-of-way across the following land:

NEW MEXICO PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN,
NEW MEXICO

T. 15 S., R. 29 E.,

Sec. 21, NE¼NE¼;

Sec. 22, W¼NW¼ and NW¼SW¼.

This pipeline will convey natural gas across 0.468 miles of national resource land in Chaves County, New Mexico.

The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that the Bureau will be proceeding with consideration of whether the application should be approved, and if so, under what terms and conditions.

Interested persons desiring to express their views should promptly send their name and address to the District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, P.O. Box 1397, Roswell, New Mexico 88201.

FRED E. PADILLA,
Chief, Branch of Lands and
Minerals Operations.

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