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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

FAR Subparts 28.1 and 28.2; FAR clauses at 52.228-1, 52.228-2, 52.228-13, 52.228-15, 52.228-16; and associated FAR standard forms implement the statutory requirements of the Miller Act (40 U.S.C. 3131 *et seq.*), which requires performance and payment bonds for any construction contract exceeding \$150,000, unless it is impracticable to require bonds for work performed in a foreign country, or it is otherwise authorized by law. In addition, the note to 40 U.S.C. 3132, entitled "Alternatives to Payment Bonds Provided by the Federal Acquisition Regulation," is implemented in the FAR, which requires alternative payment protection for construction contracts that exceed \$30,000 but do not exceed \$150,000.

Although not required by statute, under certain circumstances the FAR permits the Government to require bonds on other than construction contracts. In addition to the contract clauses at FAR 52.228-1, 52.228-2, 52.228-13, 52.228-15, 52.228-16, this information collection covers the following FAR standard forms (SF) as prescribed at FAR Subparts 28.1 and 28.2: SF 25, Performance Bond; SF 25A, Payment Bond; SF 273, Reinsurance Agreement for a Miller Act Performance Bond; SF 274, Reinsurance Agreement for a Bonds Statute Payment Bond; SF 24, Bid Bond; SF 25B, Continuation Sheet (For Standard Forms 24, 25, and 25A); Standard Form 34, Annual Bid Bond; Standard Form 275, Reinsurance Agreement in Favor of the United States; Standard Form 1416, Payment Bond for Other Than Construction Contracts; Standard Form 1418, Performance Bond for Other Than Construction Contracts; and Standard Form 35, Annual Performance Bond. The information collected under this clearance provides the Government with a form of security that the contractor will not withdraw a bid or assures that the contractor will perform its obligations under a contract.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 974.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Total Responses: 974.
Hours per Response: 1.
Total Burden Hours: 974.

C. Public comments

Public Comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper

performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals: Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW., Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202-501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0045, Bid Guarantees, Performance, and Payment Bonds, and Alternative Payment Protections, in all correspondence.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Disease, Disability, and Injury Prevention and Control Special Emphasis Panel (SEP): Initial Review

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces a meeting for the initial review of applications in response to Special Interest Project (SIP) 16-004, State Quitline Reimbursement for Smoking Cessation Services Provided to Current Smokers Eligible for Lung Cancer Screening.

Time and Date: 11:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m., EDT, April 26, 2016 (Closed).

Place: Teleconference.

Status: The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with provisions set forth in Section 552b(c) (4) and (6), Title 5 U.S.C., and the Determination of the Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, CDC, pursuant to Public Law 92-463.

Matters for Discussion: The meeting will include the initial review,

discussion, and evaluation of applications received in response to "State Quitline Reimbursement for Smoking Cessation Services Provided to Current Smokers Eligible for Lung Cancer Screening" SIP 16-004.

Contact Person for More Information: Jaya Raman Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, Mailstop F80, Atlanta, Georgia 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-6511, kva5@cdc.gov.

The Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, has been delegated the authority to sign Federal Register notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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Acting Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis (ACET)

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), announces the following meeting of the aforementioned committee:

Time and Date: 10:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m., EDT, April 26, 2016.

Place: This meeting is accessible by Web conference. Toll free number +1 877-951-7311, Participant Code: 6816256.

For Participants:

URL: <https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join/>

Conference number: PW7364589

Audience passcode: 6816256

Participants can join the event directly

at: <https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join.php?i=PW7364589&p=6816256&t=c>.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the number of ports available for the web conference. The meeting accommodates 100 ports.

Purpose: This council advises and makes recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Assistant Secretary for Health, and the Director, CDC, regarding the elimination of tuberculosis.