

just and equitable principles of trade, and to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism for a free and open market and a national market system, and in general, to protect investors and the public interest. In particular, the proposal will lessen investor confusion by having strike price intervals and trading hours established prior to the commencement of trading in options on Index-Linked Securities.

#### *B. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Burden on Competition*

The proposed rule change does not impose any burden on competition that is not necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

#### *C. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement on Comments on the Proposed Rule Change Received From Members, Participants, or Others*

The Exchange has not solicited, and does not intend to solicit, comments on this proposed rule change. The Exchange has not received any unsolicited written comments from members or other interested parties.

### III. Date of Effectiveness of the Proposed Rule Change and Timing for Commission Action

Because the foregoing proposed rule change does not: (i) Significantly affect the protection of investors or the public interest; (ii) impose any significant burden on competition; and (iii) become operative for 30 days after the date of the filing, or such shorter time as the Commission may designate, it has become effective pursuant to Section 19(b)(3)(A) of the Act<sup>5</sup> and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder.<sup>6</sup>

The Exchange believes the proposed rule change is non-controversial in that it is similar to a Chicago Board Options Exchange rule change recently approved by the Commission.<sup>7</sup> Further, the Exchange believes the proposed rule change may eliminate confusion for investors by establishing strike price intervals and trading hours for options on Index-Linked Securities prior to the commencement of trading. The Exchange also believes that the

proposed rule change does not raise any new, unique or substantive issues, and is beneficial for competitive purposes and to promote a free and open market for the benefit of investors.

At any time within 60 days of the filing of the proposed rule change, the Commission may summarily abrogate such rule change if it appears to the Commission that such action is necessary or appropriate in the public interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

### IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

#### *Electronic Comments*

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-ISE-2010-33 on the subject line.

#### *Paper Comments*

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File Number SR-ISE-2010-33. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for Web site viewing and printing in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will

be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-ISE-2010-33 and should be submitted on or before May 25, 2010.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>8</sup>

**Elizabeth M. Murphy,**  
*Secretary.*

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## **SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

[Docket No. SSA-2010-0018]

### **Occupational Information System**

**AGENCY:** Social Security Administration (SSA).

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We are requesting comments on the recommendations submitted to us by the Occupational Information Development Advisory Panel (Panel) in its report entitled "Content Model and Classification Recommendations for the Social Security Administration Occupational Information System, September 2009." The complete Panel report (including appendices) is available online at: <http://www.socialsecurity.gov/oidap/Documents/FinalReportRecommendations.pdf>.

**DATES:** To ensure that we receive your feedback in a timely manner for consideration as the project develops, please submit your comments no later than June 30, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any one of three methods—Internet, fax, or mail. Do not submit the same comments multiple times or by more than one method. Regardless of which method you choose, please state that your comments refer to Docket No. SSA-2010-0018 so that we may associate your comments with the correct document.

**Caution:** You should be careful to include in your comments only information that you wish to make publicly available. We strongly urge you not to include in your comments any personal information, such as Social Security numbers or medical information.

1. *Internet:* We strongly recommend that you submit your comments via the

<sup>8</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

<sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A).

<sup>6</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6). In addition, Rule 19b4(f)(6)(iii) requires the Exchange to give the Commission written notice of the Exchange's intent to file the proposed rule change along with a brief description and text of the proposed rule change, or such shorter time as designated by the Commission. The Exchange provided a copy of this rule filing to the Commission at least five business days prior to the date of this filing.

<sup>7</sup> See Securities and Exchange Act Release No. 61696 (March 12, 2010), 75 FR 13174 (March 18, 2010) (approving SR-CBOE 2010-005).

Internet. Please visit the Federal eRulemaking portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Use the Search function of the Web page to find docket number SSA-2010-0018. The system will issue a tracking number to confirm your submission. You will not be able to view your comment immediately because we must post each comment manually. It may take up to a week for your comment to be viewable.

2. *Fax:* Fax comments to (410) 597-0825.

3. *Mail:* Address your comments to the Office of Program Development and Research, Occupational Information Development Project, Social Security Administration, 3-E-26 Operations Building, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401.

Comments are available for public viewing on the Federal eRulemaking portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> or in person, during regular business hours, by sending a request to the project staff at [OIDAP@ssa.gov](mailto:OIDAP@ssa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Occupational Information Development Advisory Panel, Social Security Administration, 6401 Security Boulevard, 3-E-26 Operations, Baltimore, MD 21235-0001. Fax: 202-410-597-0825. E-mail to [OIDAP@ssa.gov](mailto:OIDAP@ssa.gov). For additional information, please visit the Panel Web site at <http://www.ssa.gov/oidap>.

For information on eligibility or filing for benefits, call our national toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213 or TTY 1-800-325-0778, or visit our Internet site, Social Security Online, at <http://www.socialsecurity.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Electronic Version**

The electronic file of this document is available on the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** at <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/index.html>.

**Background**

In 2008, we established the Occupational Information Development Advisory Panel to provide independent advice and recommendations on creating an occupational information system tailored specifically for our disability programs and adjudicative needs. The Panel's advice and recommendations will relate to our disability programs in the following areas:

1. Medical and vocational analysis of disability claims;
2. Occupational analysis, including definitions, ratings, and capture of physical and mental/cognitive demands of work;

3. Occupational information critical to our disability programs;

4. Data collection; and,

5. Other area(s) that will enable us to develop an occupational information system (OIS) and improve our medical-vocational adjudication policies and processes.

**Request for Comments**

In the first year, the Panel presented general recommendations regarding an occupational information system and also identified attributes of occupations and people that we should measure for purposes of disability adjudication. For occupations, these attributes included the work activities and related demands that a job requires of workers. For people, these attributes described characteristics that each worker brings to the job situation that may be involved when performing the job successfully. The Panel presented the full report, including the following seven general recommendations, to the Commissioner in September 2009. Both the recommendations and the proposed OIS are specific to our disability program needs.

*1. A New Occupational Information System: Technical, Legal, and Data Requirements*

The Panel recommended that SSA develop a new OIS to replace the Dictionary of Occupational Titles for use in our disability adjudication process. The Panel recommended that we design the new OIS to assure its data are not only useful, but also reliable, valid, and able to withstand any legal challenges.

Characteristics to support these requirements include: (a) Grouping of occupations at a level to support individualized disability assessment; (b) a cross-reference to the Standard Occupational Classification; (c) precise occupationally-specific data; (d) core work activities; (e) minimum levels of requirements needed to perform work; (f) discrete, observable measures of both work activities and worker characteristics; (g) a manageable number of data elements; (h) sampling methodology capturing the full range of work; (i) measures that are psychometrically sound; (j) collection of high quality data; (k) valid, accurate, and reproducible data; (l) information about whether core work activities could be performed in alternative ways; and, (m) terminology that is consistent with medical practice and human function.

*2. Data Elements for the New Occupational Information System*

Based upon previous research related to job analytic techniques, the Panel recommended a list of work activities applicable to all occupations and recommended that this list serve as a stimulus to develop SSA-specific instruments that measure the requirements of work. The Panel also recommended that new instruments include not only work activities, but also the physical and psychological abilities required to do work, work context, and any other attributes appropriate to disability adjudication.

*3. The Classification of Occupations*

The Panel recommended that once a large database representative of all work in the national economy is available, we should use various methods to classify jobs based upon work activities and identify work activities that we can use as a common language to match the abilities of people to appropriate work available within the economy.

*4. Development of Internal and External Expertise for the Creation and Maintenance of the New Occupational Information System*

The Panel recommended that we make the creation and continued maintenance of an up-to-date and legally defensible OIS a priority and, to support that effort, we should develop an independent, internal unit staffed with experts on work analysis and other related disability research needs. The Panel also recommended that we develop and maintain online research and professional communities to inform the unit's emerging and ongoing ideas, research, and methods.

*5. Need for Basic & Applied Research*

The Panel acknowledged that developing a new OIS requires significant research and recommended that early efforts should focus on the development and pilot-tests of measures of work requirements, usability analysis of these measures, and creation of an appropriate sampling plan. The Panel recommended that we conduct research to determine the most accurate and defensible sources of data for the OIS, the best methods for measuring the required work attributes, and if any other attributes are appropriate for study due to their potential for use in the adjudication process. They also cited the need to perform research focused on exploring and validating the link between the work requirements and attributes of the person, the environment, and other job-related factors. Finally, the Panel recommended

applied research examining user needs and the effects of new instruments on our disability process and programs.

#### 6. Measurement Considerations

In addition to the research needs described in Recommendation 5, the Panel recommended that we should consider research related to appropriate scales for inclusion in any new instruments that we develop. The Panel further stated that we should use scales that are legally defensible for our needs and focus on observable, discrete, characteristics such as frequency and duration.

#### 7. Communication with Users, the Public & the Scientific Community

The Panel recommended that we use both traditional and emerging government and private media outlets to inform or solicit input from various audiences about all activities regarding the OIS development.

Dated: April 26, 2010.

**Debra Tidwell-Peters,**

*Designated Federal Officer, Occupational Information Development Advisory Panel.*

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## SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

### Notice of Actions Taken at March 18, 2010, Meeting

**AGENCY:** Susquehanna River Basin Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Commission actions.

**SUMMARY:** At its regular business meeting on March 18, 2010, in State College, Pennsylvania, the Commission held a public hearing as part of its regular business meeting. At the public hearing, the Commission: (1) Approved and tabled certain water resources projects; (2) rescinded approval for a water resources project; and (3) approved settlements involving three water resources projects. Details concerning these and other matters addressed at the public hearing and business meeting are contained in the Supplementary Information section of this notice.

**DATES:** March 18, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Susquehanna River Basin Commission, 1721 N. Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102-2391.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard A. Cairo, General Counsel, telephone: (717) 238-0423, ext. 306; fax: (717) 238-2436; e-mail: [rcairo@srbc.net](mailto:rcairo@srbc.net); or Stephanie L. Richardson, Secretary to

the Commission, telephone: (717) 238-0423, ext. 304; fax: (717) 238-2436; e-mail: [srichardson@srbc.net](mailto:srichardson@srbc.net). Regular mail inquiries may be sent to the above address.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In addition to the public hearing and its related action items identified below, the following items were also presented or acted on at the business meeting: (1) A presentation by Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Deputy Secretary for Parks & Forestry James Grace on Marcellus Shale natural gas leasing in Pennsylvania state forests; (2) an update on the implementation of the SRBC Remote Water Quality Monitoring Network; (3) a report on hydrologic conditions in the Susquehanna Basin with an emphasis on National Flood Safety Week; (4) approval/ratification of one grant related to the Susquehanna Flood Forecast and Warning System, and five contracts related to ArcGIS, establishment of an SRBC satellite office in Sayre, PA, consulting services for instream flow studies, aquatic resource surveys, and flood mapping; (5) ratified the Executive Director's retention of outside counsel and other professional services regarding the relicensing proceedings for lower Susquehanna River hydroelectric projects; and (6) approved a revision of the FY-2011 Budget. The Commission also heard counsel's report on legal matters affecting the Commission and recognized retiring Chief Administrative Officer Duane A. Friends for his 25 years of valuable service. The Commission convened a public hearing and took the following actions:

#### Public Hearing—Compliance Actions

The Commission approved a settlement in lieu of civil penalties for the following projects:

1. Chesapeake Energy Corporation—Eastern Division. Pad ID: Ward (ABR-20090519), Burlington Township, and Sullivan 1 (ABR-20080715), Athens Township, Bradford County, Pa.—\$20,000.

2. Novus Operating, LLC. Pad ID: Sylvester 1H and North Fork 1H, Brookfield Township, Tioga County, Pa.—\$100,000.

3. Southwestern Energy Production Company. Pad ID: Ferguson, Wyalusing Township, Bradford County, Pa.—\$50,000.

#### Public Hearing—Projects Approved

1. Project Sponsor and Facility: Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc. (Mosquito Creek—Hoffman), Karthaus Township, Clearfield County, Pa. Surface water withdrawal of up to 0.720 mgd.

2. Project Sponsor and Facility: EQT Production Company (West Branch Susquehanna River—Kuntz), Greenwood Township, Clearfield County, Pa. Surface water withdrawal of up to 0.900 mgd.

3. Project Sponsor and Facility: EXCO—North Coast Energy, Inc. (West Branch Susquehanna River—Johnson), Clinton Township, Lycoming County, Pa. Surface water withdrawal of up to 0.999 mgd.

4. Project Sponsor and Facility: Fortuna Energy Inc. (Fall Brook—Bense), Troy Township, Bradford County, Pa. Surface water withdrawal of up to 1.000 mgd.

5. Project Sponsor and Facility: Fortuna Energy Inc. (Unnamed Tributary to North Branch Sugar Creek—Besley), Columbia Township, Bradford County, Pa. Surface water withdrawal of up to 2.000 mgd.

6. Project Sponsor and Facility: Fortuna Energy Inc. (South Branch Sugar Creek—Shedden), Troy Township, Bradford County, Pa. Surface water withdrawal of up to 0.900 mgd.

7. Project Sponsor and Facility: Fortuna Energy Inc. (Sugar Creek—Hoffman), West Burlington Township, Bradford County, Pa. Surface water withdrawal modification increase from 0.250 mgd up to 2.000 mgd (Docket No. 20090327).

8. Project Sponsor: Graymont (PA), Inc. Project Facility: Pleasant Gap Facility, Spring Township, Centre County, Pa. Groundwater withdrawal of 0.050 mgd (30-day average) from the Plant Make-up Well.

9. Project Sponsor and Facility: Harley-Davidson Motor Company Operations, Inc., Springettsbury Township, York County, Pa. Modification to project features of the withdrawal approval (Docket No. 19900715).

10. Project Sponsor and Facility: Harley-Davidson Motor Company Operations, Inc., Springettsbury Township, York County, Pa. Modification to add a groundwater withdrawal of 0.585 mgd (30-day average) from Well CW-20 to the remediation system, without any increase to total system withdrawal quantity (Docket No. 19980901).

11. Project Sponsor and Facility: Healthy Properties, Inc. (Sugar Creek—owner), North Towanda Township, Bradford County, Pa. Surface water withdrawal of up to 0.450 mgd.

12. Project Sponsor and Facility: Mountain Energy Services, Inc. (Tunkhannock Creek—Deer Park Lumber, Inc.), Tunkhannock Township, Wyoming County, Pa. Surface water withdrawal of up to 0.999 mgd.