

REQUEST FOR FY 2006 EMERGENCY PROPOSALS

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A REQUEST OF A PROPOSAL TO RESCIND \$2.3 BILLION IN FUNDING FROM LOWER-PRIORITY FEDERAL PROGRAMS AND EXCESS FUNDS



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THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, October 28, 2005.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Today, in a separate message, I have asked the Congress to reallocate \$17.1 billion of available funding in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Disaster Relief Fund to provide for further response and recovery efforts in the regions affected by Hurricane Katrina.

As a further measure to ensure fiscal responsibility as we continue our unprecedented response to Hurricane Katrina, I ask the Congress to consider the enclosed request to rescind \$2.3 billion from lower-priority Federal programs and excess funds.

As we help the people of the Gulf Coast region recover and rebuild from Hurricane Katrina, it is more important than ever to redouble our efforts to reduce unnecessary spending elsewhere in the budget.

In concert with this rescission proposal, I urge the Congress to reduce Fiscal Year 2006 nonsecurity spending below last year's levels, as proposed in my Budget. In addition, I urge the Congress to achieve the maximum amount of mandatory savings through reconciliation legislation over the next 5 years. These actions will advance our shared goal to maintain fiscal responsibility as we continue our assistance to hurricane-affected regions.

The details of this request are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Sincerely,

GEORGE W. BUSH.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET,
Washington, DC, October 28, 2005.

The PRESIDENT,
The White House.

On September 2nd, you signed into law Public Law 109–61, the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act to Meet Immediate Needs Arising From the Consequences of Hurricane Katrina, which provided \$10.5 billion in emergency supplemental funds for hurricane-related disaster relief. On September 8th, you signed into law Public Law 109–62, the Second Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act to Meet Immediate Needs Arising From the Consequences of Hurricane Katrina, which provided \$51.8 billion in emergency supplemental funds for hurricane-related disaster relief.

Consistent with your direction to ensure that affected individuals and States have the resources they need and to provide such assistance in a fiscally responsible manner, you have submitted a request to reallocate \$17.1 billion of available funding in the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Disaster Relief Fund to provide for further response and recovery efforts in the regions affected by hurricanes.

Submitted for your additional consideration is a proposal to rescind \$2.3 billion in funding from lower-priority federal programs and excess funds. This proposal would further your efforts to offset the unprecedented cost of this disaster and control growth in discretionary spending. In addition, by reducing Fiscal Year 2006 non-security spending below last year’s level and achieving the maximum amount of mandatory savings over five years, as you proposed in your budget, we will advance your efforts to maintain fiscal responsibility as we continue our significant assistance to hurricane-affected states.

As described below and in more detail in the enclosures, the rescission proposals include the following:

Department of Agriculture

- \$641 million of unobligated balances in various Agriculture programs would be rescinded, including balances from consideration operations, rural development grant programs, foreign assistance programs, the Food Stamp Employment and Training program, and a Forest Service grant program.

Department of Commerce

- \$55 million of unobligated balances would be rescinded from the Emergency Steel Guaranteed Loan Program and from Industrial Technology Services.

Department of Defense

- \$155 million of unobligated balances for various operation and maintenance activities and the Army's research, development, test, and evaluation would be rescinded.

Department of Education

- \$151 million of unobligated balances from the Literacy Program for Prisoners, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act's State Personnel Development program, the Smaller Learning Communities programs, and the Tech-Prep Demonstration program would be rescinded.

Department of Energy

- \$100 million of balances would be rescinded for a radioactive waste treatment plant that is experiencing delays due to significant technical problems.

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

- \$130 million in various HHS programs would be rescinded, including balances from health resources and services, individual learning accounts within the Centers for Disease control and Prevention, and buildings and facilities within the National Institutes of Health.

Department of Homeland Security

- \$261 million set aside for accrual payments for Medicare-eligible employees would be rescinded from the U.S. Coast Guard's unobligated balances, since the Coast Guard has already made its 2006 accrual payments using permanent indefinite spending authority.

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

- \$130 million of unobligated balances in various HUD programs would be rescinded, including balances from public and Indian housing, community planning and development, and housing for persons with disabilities.

Department of the Interior

- \$306 million of unobligated balances for the Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, and Departmental Management would be rescinded.

Department of Labor

- \$70 million of unobligated balances from the construction, rehabilitation, and acquisition of Job Corps Centers, as well as the Responsible Reintegration of Youthful Offenders program, would be rescinded.

Department of State

- \$75 million of unobligated balances from several programs, including embassy security, construction and maintenance, and international narcotics control and law enforcement, would be rescinded.

Department of the Treasury

- \$20 million from the Internal Revenue Service's unobligated balances for processing, assistance, and management, and health insurance tax credit administration would be rescinded.

Environmental Protection Agency

- \$166 million of unobligated balances in the Clean Water State Revolving Fund would be rescinded, bringing its funding in line with the 2006 President's Budget.

International Assistance Programs

- \$20 million of unobligated balances for assistance for the independent states of the former Soviet Union would be rescinded.

Broadcasting Board of Governors

- \$4 million of unobligated balances for capital improvements would be rescinded.

Corporation for Public Broadcasting

- \$10 million of unobligated balances would be rescinded.

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

- \$13 million of unobligated balances from prior-year FCC regulatory fee over-collections would be rescinded.

I have carefully reviewed these proposals and am satisfied that they are necessary at this time.

Sincerely,

JOSHUA B. BOLTEN,
Director.

Enclosures.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE
CONSERVATION OPERATIONS

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$10,000,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind a portion of the unobligated balances in the conservation operations program.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE
HIGH ENERGY COST GRANTS

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$30,277,788 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind a portion of the unobligated balances in the high energy cost grants program.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE

DISTANCE LEARNING, TELEMEDICINE, AND BROADBAND DIRECT LOAN
FINANCING ACCOUNT

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$9,920,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind \$9,920,000 of the unobligated balances in the Public Broadcast grant program.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREIGN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

PUBLIC LAW 480 TITLE I OCEAN FREIGHT DIFFERENTIAL GRANTS

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$35,000,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind a portion of the unobligated balances of the ocean freight differential grant program related to the shipment of agricultural products.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREIGN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

PUBLIC LAW 480 TITLE I DIRECT CREDIT AND FOOD FOR PROGRESS
PROGRAM ACCOUNT

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$10,000,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind a portion of the unobligated balances in the P.L. 480 Title I program.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading of funds provided pursuant to section 16(h)(1)(A) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, \$37,000,000 are cancelled.

This language would rescind \$37 million in unobligated prior-year balances in the Food Stamp Employment and Training Program. These balances are in excess of current program requirements.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY

Of the funds available under this heading, \$9,000,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind a portion of Economic Action Program funding provided in the fiscal year 2006 Forest Service appropriation.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$500,000,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind a portion of the unobligated balances in the wildland fire management account.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

EMERGENCY STEEL GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

All unobligated balances of funds available for the costs of loan guarantees under this heading are cancelled.

As required by the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, this account records the administrative expenses for this program, as well as the subsidy costs associated with the loan guarantees, if any. The subsidy amounts are estimated on a present value basis; the administrative expenses are estimated on a cash basis. The proposal would rescind \$49 million in unobligated subsidy balances.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading for the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, \$6,000,000 are cancelled.

Unobligated balances available for the Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program are rescinded as these balances are not essential to meeting the program's mission requirements.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL SPORTING COMPETITIONS

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$26,000,000 are cancelled.

Funds available in the Support for International Sporting Competitions account are used to fund support provided by the U.S. military during international supporting competitions held in the United States. The account contained a total unobligated balance of \$26 million at the end of FY 2005 that will carry over into FY 2006. As the United States has no plans to host an international sporting competition in FY 2006, these funds have no intended use for FY 2006. This proposal would rescind the total unobligated balance.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

DISPOSAL OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE REAL PROPERTY

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$45,000,000 are cancelled.

Funds available in this account are generated from the sale of excess Department of Defense (DOD) property and are used for maintenance of DOD real property. The account contained a total unobligated balance of \$54 million at the end of FY 2005, of which \$9 million will be used for maintenance of DOD property in FY 2006. This proposal would rescind the remaining \$45 million that do not have an intended use in FY 2006.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

LEASE OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE REAL PROPERTY

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$30,000,000 are cancelled.

Funds available in this account are generated from the lease of Department of Defense (DOD) real property and are used for maintenance of DOD real property. The account contained a total unobligated balance of \$38 million at the end of FY 2005, of which \$8 million will be used for maintenance of DOD property in FY 2006. This proposal would rescind the remaining \$30 million that do not have an intended use in FY 2006.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

OVERSEAS MILITARY FACILITY INVESTMENT RECOVERY

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$5,000,000 are cancelled.

Funds available in this account are generated from the residual value of excess overseas DOD real property and are used for maintenance of DOD real property. The account contained a total unobligated balance of \$9 million at the end of FY 2005, of which \$4 million will be used for maintenance of DOD property in FY 2006. This proposal would rescind the remaining \$5 million that do not have an intended use in FY 2006.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION

RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION, ARMY

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$48,600,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind \$48.6 million of the Army's unobligated balances from the Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation (RDT&E) account, including \$14 million intended to be applied to the Army's venture capital organization, OnPoint, and \$34.6 from the Army's Joint Common Missile Program. The Army's total unobligated RDT&E funds in FY 2005 were \$891 million.

The Army planned to use \$14 million in unobligated balances to fund its venture capital organization, OnPoint, to invest in emerging technologies that could be of use to the Army in the future. As of the end of FY 2005, OnPoint had more than \$30 million in unused balances. The allocation of additional funds to OnPoint is not a high priority and rescinding these funds will have minimal impact on the program.

The Joint Common Missile (JCM) program was proposed for termination in the FY 2006 budget, with an agreement that unobligated balances from the FY 2005 account could be used to continue Research and Development (R&D) activities on how to apply JCM technologies to other missile programs. The JCM program contains \$34.6 million in unobligated balances. Rescinding these funds will have a minimal impact on other Army R&D programs.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF SAFE AND DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS

SAFE SCHOOLS AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$4,960,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind almost \$5 million from the Literacy Program for Prisoners, which provides competitive grants to State and local correctional agencies to operate programs that develop and improve life skills necessary for reintegration of adult prisoners into society.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$50,652,512 are cancelled.

This request would rescind approximately \$51 million from the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act State Personnel Development program that supports State Education Agencies in reforming and improving their systems for personnel preparation and professional development in order to assist children with disabilities.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL AND ADULT EDUCATION

VOCATIONAL AND ADULT EDUCATION

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$95,328,653 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$90,371,127 from the Smaller Learning Communities program that supports competitive grants to local educational agencies to create smaller, more personalized learning environments in large schools. The language also would rescind \$4,957,526 from the Tech-prep Demonstration program, which awards grants to consortia to establish the-prep programs in secondary schools located on the sites of community colleges.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER DEFENSE ACTIVITIES

DEFENSE SITE ACCELERATION COMPLETION

Of the funds made available under this heading in Public Law 108-447, \$100,000,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind \$100 million for the radioactive waste treatment plant the Department of Energy is designing and constructing at its Hanford (Washington) site, which is experiencing delays due to significant technical problems. The Depart-

ment slowed plant construction in 2005 and is developing a revised baseline expected in summer 2006.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, the amounts made available pursuant to the following authorities are cancelled: the Construction Facilities Improvement Program, authorized under section 1610(b) of Title XVI of the Public Health Service Act; the Health Centers Loan Guarantee Program authorized under section 330(d) of the Public Health Service Act and Title II of P.L. 104–208; and the Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program authorized under section 846 of Title VIII of the Public Health Service Act.

The request would cancel an estimated \$7,654,000 of the unobligated balances in the Health Resources and Services Administration's account. This includes:

- \$281,000 in unobligated balances for the Construction Facilities Improvement Program, authorized under Section 1610(b) of Title XVI of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act.
- \$6,943,000 in unobligated balances for the Health Centers Loan Guarantee Program. Section 330(d) of the PHS Act authorizes the Secretary of HHS to guarantee loans to Health Centers for developing and operating managed care networks and plans. The Department of Health and Human Services Appropriations Act, 1997 (Title II of Public Law 104–208) authorized loan guarantees for the construction, renovation, and modernization of Health Centers.
- \$430,000 in estimated unobligated balances for the Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program authorized under Section 846 of title VIII of the PHS Act. Section 846(h)(4) provides that amounts recovered under a breach of service agreement are available until expended.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES

Notwithstanding section 835 of title VIII and subpart II of title VII of the Public Health Service Act, an institution of higher education with a student loan revolving fund established under these authorities shall, no later than September 30, 2006, pay to the Secretary of Health and Human Services the Federal portion of all of the liquid assets of such fund, as determined by the Secretary on June 30, 2006: Provided, That amounts collected under the preceding provision are canceled: Provided further, That the institution shall not make any new loans under section 835 of title VIII and subpart II of title VII of the Public Health Service Act until the

amount equal to that Federal portion determined on June 30, 2006 has been paid to the Secretary.

This proposal would recall in FY 2006 the Federal portion of the liquid assets of student loan revolving funds at institutions of high education participating in the Health Professions Student Loan, the Primary Car Loan, the Loans for Disadvantaged Students, and the Nursing Student Loan programs. The proposal would recall only the Federal capital contribution of the liquid assets of the fund and participating schools would retain any institutional contributions to the revolving fund. Amounts collected would be canceled and are estimated at \$100 million. By September 30, 2006, schools would be required to return the Federal portion of the liquid assets of the student loan revolving funds to the Secretary of Health and Human Services. The relative Federal and institutional shares of the fund would be determined by the Secretary on June 30, 2006. Participating schools would be prohibited from making new loans until they had repaid the Federal portion of the liquid assets of their revolving fund.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

DISEASE CONTROL, RESEARCH, AND TRAINING

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading at the beginning of fiscal year 2006, \$7,000,000 are cancelled.

The request would rescind unobligated balances in the Disease Control, Research, and Training account for Individual Learning Accounts.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading at the beginning of fiscal year 2006, \$15,000,000 are cancelled.

The request would rescind a portion of the unobligated balance in the Buildings and Facilities account.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

OPERATING EXPENSES

Of the amounts made available for "Operating Expenses," Coast Guard in Public Law 109-90, \$260,533,000 are cancelled.

This request would reduce the U.S. Coast Guard Operating Expenses account by the amount the agency will expend on accrual payments for Medicare-eligible employees in 2006. The 2005 Defense Authorization Act (P.L. 108-375) provided the Coast Guard with permanent indefinite discretionary authority to make accrual

payments for its Medicare-eligible employees. In the 2006 Homeland Security Appropriation Act (P.L. 109–90), the Coast Guard also received an annual appropriation to make accrual payments for Medicare-eligible employees.

Since the Coast Guard has already made its 2006 payment for its Medicare-eligible employees using permanent indefinite discretionary authority, funds appropriated for this purpose in P.L. 109–90 are available for rescission. This rescission will have no impact on the Coast Guard’s ability to execute its mission or conduct hurricane response activities.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

BROWNFIELDS REDEVELOPMENT

Of the unobligated balances under this heading, \$24,000,000 are cancelled.

The 2006 Budget proposed to eliminate the Community Development Block Grant and its set-aside programs in favor of the Strengthening America’s Communities Initiative. This proposal also eliminated the Brownfields Redevelopment program, which contains the recommended rescission of unobligated balances.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LOAN GUARANTEES

Of the unobligated balances under this heading, \$6,000,000 are cancelled.

The 2006 Budget proposed to eliminate the Community Development Block Grant and its set-aside programs in favor of Strengthening America’s Communities Initiative. This proposal also eliminated the Community Development Loan Guarantees (Section 108 loans) program, which contains the recommended rescission of unobligated balances.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

HOUSING PROGRAMS

HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Of the unobligated balances under this heading, \$100,000,000 are cancelled.

The capital grant program is proposed for reduction in the 2006 President’s Budget; a PART analysis found that the program is prone to development delays and construction cost overruns. This is a reduction to new units; existing units are unaffected by this reduction.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

Of the unobligated balances under this heading, \$500,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$500,000 in unobligated balances through a reduction to lower-priority programs.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$34,952,000 are cancelled.

The request would rescind \$25,000,000 in unobligated balances, carried over from appropriations in FY 2005 and earlier, for emergency fire suppression.

This request would also rescind \$9,952,000 in funds provided in the FY 2006 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for rural fire assistance to non-Federal entities. These funds are not requested in the President's 2006 Budget.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

WATER AND RELATED RESOURCES

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$183,000,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$183 million in unobligated balances, carried over from appropriations in FY 2005 and earlier, for Water and Related Resources funds set aside for the restoration of Desert Terminal Lakes, and originally transferred to Reclamation from the Community Credit Corporation for that purposes.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

STATE AND TRIBAL WILDLIFE GRANTS

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$5,000,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$5 million in unobligated balances through a reduction to lower-priority programs.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
PRIVATE STEWARDSHIP GRANTS

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$500,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$500,000 in unobligated balances through a reduction to lower-priority programs.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
COOPERATIVE ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$6,000,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$6 million in unobligated balances through a reduction to lower-priority programs.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
NATIONAL RECREATION AND PRESERVATION

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$6,677,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$6,677,000 in funds provided in the FY 2006 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for statutory aid to non-Federal entities. These funds were not requested in the President's 2006 Budget.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
CONSTRUCTION

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$34,000,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$34 million in unobligated balances through a reduction to lower-priority programs.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
LAND ACQUISITION AND STATE ASSISTANCE

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$28,278,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$28,278,000 in funds provided in the FY 2006 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropria-

tions Act for Land and Water Conservation Fund State grants. These funds were not requested in the President's 2006 Budget.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILT)

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$5,000,000 are cancelled.

This request would rescind \$5 million in funds provided in the FY 2006 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) payments to local governments. These funds were above the amount requested in the President's 2006 Budget.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION

TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Of the funds provided under this heading in Public Law 108-447, \$70,000,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind a total of \$70 million in unobligated balances for certain programs under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA). This proposal would cancel \$25 million in unobligated balances for the construction, rehabilitation, and acquisition of Job Corps Centers. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005, provided a total of \$116.2 million for this purpose through June 30, 2008.

The proposal would also rescind \$45 million in unobligated balances for the Responsible Reintegration of Youthful Offenders program. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005, provided \$49.6 million for this purpose for the period July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

EMBASSY SECURITY, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$50,000,000 are cancelled.

These funds are being rescinded due to a high level of unobligated carryover balances. The loss of these funds will not impact the core mission of the agency.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

OTHER

INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$15,700,000 are cancelled.

These funds are being rescinded due to a high level of unobligated carryover balances. The loss of these funds will not impact the core mission of the agency.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

OTHER

ANDEAN COUNTERDRUG INITIATIVE

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$9,300,000 are cancelled.

These funds are being rescinded due to a high level of unobligated carryover balances. The loss of these funds will not affect the core mission of the agency.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

PROCESSING, ASSISTANCE, AND MANAGEMENT

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$10,000,000 are cancelled.

Section 511 of P.L. 108-477 makes 50 percent of unobligated balances remaining available at the end of FY 2005 from this account for FY 2005 available through September 30, 2006, of which \$10 million are proposed for rescission.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

HEALTH INSURANCE TAX CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$10,000,000 are cancelled.

Section 511 makes 50 percent of unobligated balances remaining available at the end of FY 2005 from this account for FY 2005 available through September 30, 2006, of which \$10 million are proposed for rescission.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

Of the unobligated balances under this heading, \$166,000,000 are cancelled.

The proposal would rescind \$166,000,000, thereby reducing the amount generally available to the Environmental Protection Agency in the State and Tribal Assistance Grants appropriations account. This entire rescission would come from unobligated balances from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ASSISTANCE FOR THE INDEPENDENT STATES OF THE FORMER SOVIET UNION

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$20,000,000 are cancelled.

The proposal would cancel \$20 million in unobligated carryover balances in this account, which provides transition assistance to Russia, Ukraine, and other countries of the former Soviet Union.

OTHER INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

BROADCASTING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$3,800,000 are cancelled.

These funds are being rescinded due to a high level of unobligated carryover balances. The loss of these funds will not impact the core mission of the agency.

OTHER INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING

PROGRAM AND FINANCING

Of the amounts made available to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for fiscal year 2006 by P.L. 108-199, \$10,000,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind \$10 million of the enacted advance appropriation of \$400 million provided for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, which was made available on October 1, 2006.

OTHER INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Of the unobligated balances available under this heading, \$13,480,000 are cancelled.

This proposal would rescind the balance of prior year Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulatory fee over-collections. Collections targets are set in appropriations annually, and over-collections remain available to the Commission in the next fiscal year.

The FCC seeks Congressional approval by law to use these funds prior to obligation. Fiscal year 2006 anticipated collections are sufficient to fund FCC activities without these carry-over balances.

