

The Environmental Information and Public Access Committee (EIPAC) will discuss issues relating to the newly created Center for Environmental and Information Statistics; workgroups will discuss data quality, public access and use, and intergovernmental relations needed for the Center.

The Environmental Capital Markets Committee (ECM) will provide stakeholder inputs on the potential utility of using Environmental Management Systems as an investment service. The ultimate goal of the committee is to identify concrete actions EPA can take, on its own or in cooperation with other Federal and State agencies, to help the financial services industry incorporate environmental information into its decision-making process.

These meetings are being held to provide the EPA with perspectives from representatives of state, local, and tribal governments, environmental, business, and financial organizations, academia, industry, and NGOs.

DATES: The RCC and EIPAC will hold a two-day public meeting at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1250 22nd Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20037, on Tuesday, July 7, and Wednesday, July 8, 1998 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

The ECM will hold a one-day public meeting at the same location on Wednesday, July 8, 1998 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

ADDRESSES: Materials or written comments may be transmitted to the committees through Gwendolyn Whitt, Designated Federal Officer, NACEPT, U.S. EPA, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management (1601F), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. There will also be an opportunity for the public to make comments directly to the committees during the first day of the meetings. Requests to make public comments must be submitted no later than June 30, 1998 to Gwendolyn Whitt, at the address above or faxed to (202) 260-6882.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gwendolyn Whitt, Designated Federal Officer, NACEPT, at (202) 260-9484.

Dated: June 16, 1998.

Gwendolyn Whitt,

Designated Federal Officer.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6117-7]

National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology, Title VI Implementation Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) now gives notification of a meeting of the Title VI Implementation Advisory Committee of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT).

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits recipients of federal financial assistance from discriminating on the basis of race, color, or national origin in their programs or activities.

The purpose of the Title VI Implementation Advisory Committee is to advise the Administrator and Deputy Administrator of EPA on techniques that may be used by EPA funding recipients to operate environmental permitting programs in compliance with Title VI. The Title VI Implementation Advisory Committee is one of several standing committees of NACEPT.

The Committee consists of 23 independent representatives drawn from among state and local governments, industry, the academic community, tribal and indigenous interests, and grassroots environmental and other non-governmental organizations.

DATES: The Committee will meet on July 27, 1998 from 1:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and July 28, 1998 from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. The public comment session will be held on July 27 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Members of the public who wish to make brief oral presentations should contact Jannell Young at (202) 260-1888 by July 21, 1998 to reserve time during the public comment session. The Committee is particularly interested in receiving public comments on how a state permitting agency can effectively identify and address Title VI concerns early in the permitting process. Individuals or groups making presentations will be limited to a total time of five minutes. Those who have not reserved time in advance may make comments during the public comment session as time allows.

ADDRESSES: The Penn Tower Hotel, Civic Center Boulevard at 34th Street,

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The meeting is open to the public. However, seating will be limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gregory Kenyon, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. EPA, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management, telephone (202) 260-8169.

Dated: June 24, 1998.

Gregory Kenyon,

Designated Federal Officer, NACEPT Title VI Implementation Advisory Committee.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6116-7]

Proposed 42 U.S.C. Section 122(b) De Minimis Settlement; MIG/DeWane Landfill, Belvidere, IL

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed section 122(g) *de minimis* settlement.

SUMMARY: This document is provided pursuant to section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.* and section 7003(d) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. 6901-6992k. U.S. EPA proposes settlement of a claim under Section 122(g) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.* with Gunite Corporation for past costs and costs that will be incurred during removal and remedial activities at the MIG/DeWane Landfill Site in Belvidere, Illinois. Respondent Gunite Corporation, a *de minimis* potentially responsible party, has agreed to pay a total of \$30,476.00. The money will be used to reimburse the U.S. EPA for past costs and oversight costs that will be incurred during actions taken at the site. The proposed action is being taken to settle all liability related to the MIG/DeWane Landfill Site for this Respondent under sections 106 and 107(a) of CERCLA and section 7003 of RCRA.

DATES: Comments on this proposed settlement must be submitted to U.S. EPA on or before July 27, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the proposed settlement should be addressed to Diana Embil, (C-14J), Assistant Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Boulevard, Chicago,

Illinois 60604-3590, (312) 886-7889. Comments should refer to: In the Matter of: MIG/DeWane Landfill Administrative Order on Consent. Please submit an original and three copies of any comments, if possible.

A copy of the proposed settlement is available at the following address for review: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region V, Office of Superfund, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590. Please telephone Diana Embil, at (312) 886-7889, before visiting the Region V Office.

PUBLIC MEETING: A public meeting in the affected area may be held upon request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diana Embil, (C-14J), Assistant Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590, (312) 886-7889.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: From 1969 to 1988, the MIG/DeWane Landfill received industrial and solid wastes, some of which contained hazardous substances. On August 30, 1990, U.S. EPA placed the Landfill on the National Priorities List. On March 29, 1991, U.S. EPA issued an administrative consent order concerning various responsible parties for a removal action at the Site. On May 15, 1995, U.S. EPA reached a *de minimis* settlement with other responsible parties. Gunit Corporation was not a signatory to either agreement.

Gunit Corporation is a potentially responsible party that may have arranged for the disposal of hazardous substances at the MIG/DeWane Landfill Site. Gunit Corporation's share of the waste delivered to the site is believed not to exceed 0.05% of the total waste delivered to the site.

Pursuant to section 122(i) of CERCLA, the 30-day period for comments on the proposed settlement with this Respondent begins on the date of publication of today's notice.

William E. Muno,

Director, Superfund Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6117-1]

Characterization of Municipal Solid Waste in the United States: 1997 Update

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In recent years, community officials and the general public have

increased their attention to the waste generated by households, institutions, and commercial businesses. They have used information about municipal solid waste (MSW) to plan for programs to reduce and recycle this waste and to properly dispose of the remainder. The "Characterization of Municipal Solid Waste in the United States" report was first prepared by EPA in 1986 in order to determine the amounts of waste generated, recovered, and discarded in the nation, and to project amounts of waste which will be managed in the future. The report has been updated six times since its initial publication in 1986. Planners nation-wide use this special study to estimate the amount and types of MSW that may be generated in their communities, and thus are able to plan more effectively for the management of the wastes generated, recovered, and/or discarded.

The Characterization of Municipal Solid Waste in the United States: 1997 Update report is now available. The 1997 Update is similar to the 1996 Update, but it contains updated information on the types and amounts of municipal solid waste generated, recovered, and discarded in the United States through 1996. Some new informational categories are also included in the 1997 Update. These include an expanded discussion of the markets for recovered recyclable materials.

Finally, due to sustained interest in tracking national generation, recovery, and discard rates for MSW, EPA plans to continue providing annual updates of this Report as a service to its stakeholders from State and local governments, industry, environmental groups, and the public.

DATES: June 26, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

A paper copy of Characterization of Municipal Solid Waste in the United States: 1997 Update (EPA Publication Number EPA530-98-R-007) or the Report's Executive Summary (EPA Publication Number EPA530-S-98-007) may be obtained by calling the RCRA Hotline at 1-800-424-9346. The Report is also available in electronic format on the Internet System through the EPA Public Access Server at www.epa.gov.

Dated: May 5, 1998.

Elizabeth A. Cotsworth,

Acting Director, Office of Solid Waste.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6114-7]

Massachusetts Marine Sanitation Device Standard; Receipt of Petition

Notice is hereby given that a petition has been received from the State of Massachusetts requesting a determination of the Regional Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, pursuant to section 312(f)(3) of Public Law 92-500 as amended by Public Law 95-217 and Public Law 100-4, that adequate facilities for the safe and sanitary removal and treatment of sewage from all vessels are reasonably available for the coastal regions of the town of Harwich, State of Massachusetts, to qualify as a "No Discharge Area" (NDA). The areas covered under this petition include the major harbors and contiguous beaches between and including Allen, Wychmere and Saquatucket harbors and to the Herring River. The latitudes and longitude defining the boundaries are Town line of Dennis 70°07'03", 41°39'16", Herring River 70°06'33", 41°40'08", Allens Harbor 70°05'22", 41°40'04", Wychmere Harbor 70°03'56", 41°40'04", Saquatucket Harbor 70°03'31", 41°40'09", Town line of Chatham 70°02'17", 41°39'58", and the water boundaries are 70°02'55", 41°39'52", — 70°04'38", 41°39'46", — 70°06'00", 41°39'35".

The State of Massachusetts has certified that there are two facilities to service the town of Harwich. A stationary shore side pump-out facility at the Saquatucket Municipal Marina has a 60 gallon per cycle capacity with discharge to a 2,500 gallon tight tank. This facility provides access for vessels with 6 feet draft at mean low water. This facility is available daily from May 1st through November 15th, weather permitting and open during daylight hours. Harbormaster personnel will be available to demonstrate the self-service system Tuesday through Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Harwich Harbormaster's office number is (508) 430-7532. The second facility is a pump-out boat typically docked at Saquatucket Municipal Marina, unless the private marinas request it for a short period of time. This pump-out boat will come to individual boats by appointment, which can be made by calling the Harwich Harbormaster on channel VHF 68 or calling the office at (508) 430-7532. The pump-out boat will be available May 1st through November 15th, and service is normally available