

direct impact on affected communities. Funds awarded must be used to support pollution prevention programs in minority and/or low-income communities. The Agency strongly encourages cooperative efforts between communities, businesses, industry, and government to address common pollution prevention goals. Projects funded under this grant may involve public education, training, demonstration projects, collaborative public-private partnerships, or innovative approaches to develop, evaluate, and demonstrate non-regulatory strategies and technologies. Grants will be awarded to national organizations for projects to assess the results of previous and ongoing EJP2 grants and related information and to develop tools for bringing pollution prevention approaches to bear on the problems of environmental justice communities.

II. Definition of Environmental Justice and Pollution Prevention

Environmental justice is defined by EPA as the fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, programs, and policies. Fair treatment means that no racial, ethnic, or socio-economic group should bear a disproportionate share of the negative environmental consequences resulting from the operation of industrial, municipal, and commercial enterprises, and from the execution of Federal, state, local, and tribal programs and policies.

The Pollution Prevention Act of 1990 establishes a hierarchy of environmental preferences. These practices include, in order of preference:

- Pollution prevention/source reduction
- Recycling
- Treatment
- Disposal

Pollution prevention means source reduction; it includes any practice that reduces or eliminates any pollutant at the source of generation prior to recycling, treatment, or disposal. Pollution prevention also includes practices that reduce or eliminate the creation of pollutants through:

- Increased efficiency in the use of raw materials, energy, water, or other resources
- Protection of natural resources by conservation

This grant program is focused on implementing practices at the top of the hierarchy—pollution prevention/source reduction—to bring about better environmental protection.

III. Eligibility

Any affected, nonprofit community organizations with section 501(c)(3) or section 501(c)(4)¹ Internal Revenue Service tax status or Federally recognized tribal organizations may submit an application upon the publication of this solicitation. A nonprofit organization is defined as any corporation, trust, association, cooperative, or other organizations that:

- (1) Is operated primarily for scientific, educational, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public interest.
- (2) Is not organized primarily for profit.
- (3) Uses its net proceeds to maintain, improve, and/or expand its operations.

State and local governments and academic institutions are also eligible. Organizations must be incorporated by April 20, 1998, to be eligible to receive funds. Private businesses, Federal agencies, and individuals are ineligible for this grant. Organizations excluded from applying directly, as well as those inexperienced in grant writing, are encouraged to develop partnerships and prepare joint proposals with eligible national, regional, or local organizations.

No applicant can receive two grants for the same project at one time. EPA will consider only one proposal for a given project. Applicants may submit more than one application; however, applications must be for separate and distinct projects.

Organizations seeking funds from the EJP2 grant program can request up to \$100,000 for local projects, and up to \$250,000 for projects that involve multiple communities located in more than one of the 10 EPA Regions, or projects that are national in scope. In accordance with 40 CFR parts 23 and 30, EPA no longer requires cost sharing or matching under this grant program.

Dated: January 15, 1998.

William H. Sanders,

Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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¹ As a result of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, EPA (and other Federal agencies) may not award grants to nonprofit, section 501(c)(4) organizations that engage in lobbying activities. This restriction applies to any lobbying activities of a section 501(c)(4) organization without distinguishing between lobbying funded by Federal money and lobbying funded by other sources.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5951-9]

Clean Air Act Advisory Committee: Accident Prevention Subcommittee Conference Call Meeting—February 3, 1998, 2-4 p.m.

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Clean Air Act section 112(r) required EPA to publish regulations to prevent accidental releases of chemicals and to reduce the severity of those releases that do occur. On June 20, 1996, EPA published the final rule for risk management programs to address prevention of accidental releases.

The Accident Prevention Subcommittee was created in September 1996 to advise EPA's Chemical Emergency Preparedness and Prevention Office (CEPPO) on these chemical accident prevention issues.

DATES: The Accident Prevention Subcommittee of the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee will hold a public meeting on February 3, 1998 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Washington Information Center #12 South, in EPA Headquarters, 401 M St., NW, Washington DC 20460. Members of the public are welcome to attend in person. The Accident Prevention Subcommittee will call into the meeting by teleconference. Due to the limited teleconference lines, there will not be additional lines for the public to call in.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Members of the public desiring additional information about this meeting, should contact Karen Shanahan, Designated Federal Official, US EPA (5101), 401 M. St., SW, Washington DC 20460, via the Internet at: shanahan.karen@epamail.epa.gov., by telephone at (202) 260-2711 or FAX at (202) 260-1686.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

- I. Opening Remarks—Jim Makris
- II. Discussion of options for making RMP data available through RMP*Info™ (Security Study)
- III. Comments from the public

Members of the public who wish to make a brief oral presentation in person in Washington DC to the Subcommittee at the February 3 meeting, must contact Karen Shanahan in writing (by letter, fax, or email—see previously stated information) no later than 12 noon,

January 27, 1998, in order to be included on the agenda. Written comments may be submitted to the Accident Prevention Subcommittee up through the date of the meeting. Please address such material to Karen Shanahan at the above address.

The Accident Prevention Subcommittee expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive or previously submitted oral or written statements. In general, for teleconference call meetings, opportunities for oral comment will be limited to no more than three minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Written comments (twelve copies) received sufficiently prior to a meeting date (one week prior to a meeting or teleconference), may be mailed to the Subcommittee prior to its meeting.

Additional information on the Accident Prevention Subcommittee is available on the Internet at: <http://www.epa.gov/swercepp/rmp-wg.html>

If you would like to automatically receive future information on the Accident Prevention Subcommittee by email, please send an email to Karen Shanahan at: shanahan.karen@epamail.epa.gov requesting to be put on the email list for these groups. Please include your name, address and phone number.

Dated: January 20, 1998.

Karen Shanahan,

Designated Federal Official.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-42191B; FRL-5768-2]

Endocrine Disruptors; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing the seventh meeting the Endocrine Disruptors Screening and Testing Advisory Committee (EDSTAC), a committee established under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) to advise EPA on a strategy for screening chemicals and pesticides for their potential to disrupt endocrine function in humans and wildlife.

DATES: The EDSTAC Plenary meeting will begin on Tuesday, February 3, 1998 at 9 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. The meeting

on Wednesday, February 4, 1998, will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at The Madison Hotel located at 11777 15th Street, NW., Washington, D.C. The telephone number is (202) 862-1600.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical information about the EDSTAC contact Dr. Anthony Maciorowski (telephone: (202) 260-3048; e-mail: maciorowski.tony@epamail.epa.gov) or Mr. Gary Timm (telephone (202) 260-1859; e-mail: tim.gary@epamail.epa.gov) at EPA. To obtain additional information please contact the contractor assisting EPA with meeting facilitation and logistics: Ms. Tutti Otteson, The Keystone Center, P.O. Box 8606, Keystone, CO 80435; telephone: (970) 468-5822; fax (970) 262-0152; e-mail totteson@keystone.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The tentative agenda for the February 3-4, 1998 plenary meeting includes status reports from the Screening and Testing and Priority Setting workgroups. This plenary will not include a public comment session.

List of Subjects

Environmental Protection.

Dated: January 20, 1998.

Susan H. Wayland,

Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00461A; FRL-5732-8]

Self-Certification of Product Chemistry Data; Notice of Availability of PR Notice

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing the availability of PR Notice 98-1, entitled "Self-Certification of Product Chemistry Data." This PR Notice describes the Agency's policy on self-certification of certain product chemistry data of manufacturing-use products and end-use products produced by a non-integrated formulation system. Products eligible for self-certification are formulated from registered sources. This program is voluntary and is intended to streamline, simplify, and accelerate the registration of pesticides while

protecting public health and the environment.

ADDRESSES: The PR Notice is available from, by mail: Sami Malak, Technical Review Branch, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. The public record, including all public comments, as well as a summary of the Agency review of comments are filed in OPP's Docket Office under docket control number "OPP-00461," located in Room 1132 of the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7506C). The OPP's Docket Office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Sami Malak; at the address given above. Office location and telephone number: Room 256, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 308-9365; by FAX (703) 308-9382; by e-mail:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability:

Internet

Electronic copies of this document and the various support documents are available from the EPA Home Page at the **Federal Register**--Environmental Documents entry for this document under "Laws and Regulations" (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>).

Fax on Demand

Using a faxphone call 202-401-0527 and select item 6106 for a copy of the PR Notice.

Under the self-certification program, applicants will submit a one-page summary of the product's physical/chemical properties, a self-certification statement, and a Good Laboratory Practice Standards statement (GLP), but will no longer be required to submit the supporting data for those studies. However, registrants must retain in their possession studies conducted in substantial conformity with Agency regulations and must submit such studies if requested by EPA. The requirements pertaining to the physical/chemical properties for chemical (conventional) pesticides are outlined in the table in 40 CFR 158.190, OPPTS Test Guidelines Series 830, Product Properties (EPA publication 712-C-96-310, 8/96), Series 880, Biochemical Test Guidelines, and Series 885, Microbial Pesticides Test Guidelines. It should be noted that OPPTS Test Guidelines, Series 830 supersedes the Pesticide