

CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

E. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Offer alternative ways to improve the notice.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this document.
8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket control number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

II. Background

Mycogen Seeds c/o Dow AgroSciences (9330 Zionsville Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268) has requested to amend and extend an EUP for the plant-pesticide *Bacillus thuringiensis* Cry1F protein and the genetic material necessary for its production (plasmid insert PHI 8999) in corn.

Mycogen Seeds has requested to test 19,363 acres in Alabama, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

Acreage is requested for maize breeding and observation nursery, maize academic efficacy trials, maize agronomic observation trials, maize efficacy trial, maize production research trials, maize demonstration trials, herbicide tolerance study, insect resistance management studies, seed production research, and grain production for feeding trials.

The EUP is to be genetically contained. Corn grown during the EUP is not to be used for food or feed, unless the pending temporary tolerance petition (OG6112) is granted and the

EUP is amended to allow food use. The pending temporary tolerance petition (OG6112) published in the **Federal Register** on June 15, 2000 (65 FR 37545) (FRL-6558-6).

III. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Following the review of the Mycogen Seeds application and any comments and data received in response to this notice, EPA will decide whether to issue or deny the EUP amendment and extension request for this EUP program, and if issued, the conditions under which it is to be conducted. Any issuance of an EUP will be announced in the **Federal Register**.

IV. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

The Agency's authority for taking this action is under FIFRA section 5.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection,
Experimental use permits.

Dated: March 15, 2001.

Janet L. Andersen,

Director, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6956-5]

South Bay Asbestos Superfund Site Proposed Notice of Administrative Settlement

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 122(I) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9600 *et seq.*, notice is hereby given that a proposed administrative cost recovery settlement concerning the South Bay Asbestos Site in San Jose, California was executed by the Agency on September 14, 2000. The proposed administrative settlement would resolve, pursuant to CERCLA section 122(h), the liability of Cargill Corporation, the previous owner of the Highway 237 Disposal Site (formerly known as Marshland Landfill) for past and future costs of the United States with respect to the South Bay Asbestos

Area Superfund Site. Under the terms of the agreement, Cargill would pay EPA \$50,000.

For thirty (30) calendar days following the date of publication of this notice, EPA will receive written comments relating to the proposed settlement. If requested prior to the expiration of this public comment period, EPA will provide an opportunity for a public meeting in the effected area. EPA's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 26, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Kara Christenson, Assistant Regional Counsel (ORC-2), Office of Regional Counsel, USEPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105.

Availability

The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. A copy of the proposed settlement may be obtained from Kara Christenson, Assistant Regional Counsel (ORC-2), Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. Comments should reference "Cargill, South Bay Asbestos Area Superfund Site," and "Docket No. 2000-10".

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kara Christenson, Assistant Regional Counsel (ORC-2), Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105; E-mail: christenson.kara@epa.gov; phone: (415) 744-1330.

Dated: February 23, 2001.

John Kemmerer,

Acting Director, Superfund Division, EPA, Region IX.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

Solicitation of Interested Persons To Serve as Special Consultants to the Community/Tribal Subcommittee of the ATSDR Board of Scientific Counselors

AGENCY: Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry(ATSDR),

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces ATSDR's intent to fill 2 special consultant vacancies on the Community/Tribal Subcommittee of ATSDR's Board of Scientific Counselors.

Background

The CTS provides the Board with input, recommendations, and advice on ATSDR's community and tribal community involvement practices, programs, and policies from community/tribal members who live near hazardous waste sites or are otherwise affected by hazardous substances in the community environment. The Subcommittee was established, at the request of the Assistant Administrator, ATSDR, to provide the agency, through its Board of Scientific Counselors, (BSC) with a formal vehicle for citizen input.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To express interest in serving as a special consultant and obtain additional information, contact: Ruby Palmer, Designated Federal Official, CT/S ATSDR (E-54), 1600 Clifton Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30033 Toll-free 1-888-422-8737.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: ATSDR conducts public health-related activities at hazardous waste sites and releases, pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or Superfund) (42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*). ATSDR established a BSC which is chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app.). In 1994, the chair of the BSC, ATSDR, selected three community/tribal representatives as consultants to ensure that its deliberations included the views of community and tribal members who live around Superfund and other hazardous waste sites and are representatives of groups that work at local, regional, or national locations with these affected communities. To supplement the work of these consultants, nine additional community/tribal representatives were added.

Four members of the BSC serve on this Subcommittee, one of which is appointed as chair. The Community/Tribal Subcommittee's (CTS) objective is to provide the BSC, ATSDR, with the views and recommendations of community/tribal representatives on ATSDR's community involvement programs, practices, policies, and other

relevant issues impacting communities and tribes who live near Superfund and hazardous waste sites. The Subcommittee reviews ATSDR's community involvement programs, and policies; provides advice, findings, and recommendations to the Board on these issues; and bring broad-based community/tribal involvement issues to the attention of the Board.

The Community and Tribal Subcommittee presents its findings, advice, and recommendations to the full Board. The BSC will discuss and review reports of the Subcommittee and may forward recommendations to the Agency for action. The Community/Tribal Subcommittee will periodically meet and/or hold conference calls.

A group consisting of special consultants, the CTS Chair and the Designated Federal Official will review the applications and develop a short list to be recommended to the Agency for consideration. The Agency, in consultation with the BSC chair will then select the two community representatives to fill the vacancies, with special consideration given to the recommended slate.

Accordingly, any person who lives in a community affected by an National Priority List or other hazardous waste site; who is a representative of a group that works at local, regional, or national locations with these communities; or who wishes to be considered for serving as a special consultant on this Subcommittee should write or call the ATSDR contact person listed above to obtain additional information.

Application: Please complete the following application and return it to the address listed by Monday, April 2, 2001.

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 CDC and ATSDR.

Dated: March 21, 2001.

John Burckhardt,

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

Application

Community and Tribal Subcommittee

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

March 1, 2001.

Please answer the following questions (as legibly as possible to ensure that photocopies of it are readable) by *Monday, April 2, 2001*. Please send to:

Ruby Palmer, Phone: Toll-free 1-888-422-8737, Designated Federal Official, CT/S Fax: (404) 639-4699, ATSDR (E-54) 1600 Clifton Road, NE Atlanta, GA 30033.

Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone: _____
Fax: _____
E-mail: _____
Employment and employer(s) for last five years: _____

Please check the corresponding box for your response to the following questions; please keep any written responses brief.

(1) Do you live in a community or on a reservation that contains a site contaminated with toxic substances or are you a member of an organization that works on environmental health/toxic substance issues with such affected communities/tribes? (Check all that apply)

____ Yes, live in such a community/reservation
____ Yes, member of such an organization
____ No

If you checked no, please skip to question #9. ATSDR Community and Tribal Subcommittee Application, continued:

(2) What type of site is it?
____ National Priorities List (Superfund NPL)

____ Department of Energy
____ Department of Defense
____ State
____ Not sure/don't know

Other _____

(3) What is the status of site cleanup?

____ Cleanup underway
____ No work done
____ Cleanup completed
____ Not sure/don't know

(4) How would you characterize your community/tribe?

____ Rural
____ Suburban
____ Urban
____ Tribal Lands
____ Not sure/ don't know

(5) How would you characterize the racial/ethnic makeup of your community/tribe?

____ White
____ African-American
____ Hispanic
____ Asian
____ Native American
____ Mixed/no group predominate
____ Not sure/don't know

(6) How would you characterize the economic status of your community/tribe?

____ Lower income
____ Middle income
____ Upper income
____ Not sure/don't know

(7) Do you believe your personal/family health has been harmed due to exposure to toxic substances in the environment?

____ Yes
____ Possibly

No
 (7a) If you are a Tribal member, is contamination of traditional food supply thought to be a problem?
 Yes
 Possibly
 No
 ATSDR Community and Tribal Subcommittee Application, continued:
 (8) Are you a member of a community/tribal organization focused on the site?
 Yes
 No
 (8a) If yes, please describe _____
 .
 (9) Are you familiar with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)?
 Yes
 No
 (10) Have you either sought assistance from, or previously been involved with ATSDR?
 Yes
 No
 (11) As ATSDR sponsored a health assessment or health study in your community?
 Yes
 No
 Not sure/don't know
 (12) Have you attended other national or regional ATSDR meetings in the last 5 years?
 Yes
 No
 (13) Are you a member of an organization—other than the one you may have noted in question 8—focused on toxic substances/environmental health?
 Yes
 No
 (13a) If yes, what is the scope of the organization?
 Local
 Regional
 National
 (13b) Please describe the organization _____

 (14) How many years have you been involved in toxic substance/environmental health issues?
 Years
 (15) How many hours per month on average can you make available for telephone calls, periodic meetings, and review of materials?
 Hours per month
 (16) Have you in the past or are you now participating in an advisory group similar in structure to the Community/Tribal Subcommittee?
 Yes
 No
 (16a) If yes, please describe the group and your role. _____

 (17) *Qualifications/Background:* Please briefly note your knowledge of/ experience with toxic substance/environmental health issues. List relevant self-education/research, workshops attended, and/or formal training. _____

(18) *Current Issues:* What are your views on ATSDR's current approach to working with communities/tribes? _____

(19) *Expectations:* What type of input, recommendations, and advice do you envision the Subcommittee providing, and what type of outreach would you intend to do in order to formulate your recommendations to the Board of Scientific Counselors? _____

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC): Meeting

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

Name: Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee.

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m., May 7, 2001. 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m., May 8, 2001.

Place: Atlanta Marriott Century Center, 2000 Century Boulevard, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30345.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available.

Purpose: The Committee is charged with providing advice and guidance to the Secretary, the Assistant Secretary for Health, the Director, CDC, and the Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID), regarding (1) the practice of hospital infection control; (2) strategies for surveillance, prevention, and control of infections (e.g., nosocomial infections), antimicrobial resistance, and related events in settings where healthcare is provided; and (3) periodic updating of guidelines and other policy statements regarding prevention of healthcare-associated infections and healthcare-related conditions.

Matters To Be Discussed: Agenda items will include a review of proposed revisions to the Guideline for Prevention of Healthcare-Associated Pneumonia, the Guideline for Isolation Precautions in Hospitals, the Guideline for Sterilization and Disinfection, the Guideline for Hand Hygiene; public comments of the Draft Guideline for Environmental Controls in Healthcare Settings; and updates on CDC activities of interest to the Committee.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person for More Information:

Michele L. Pearson, M.D., Executive Secretary, HICPAC, Hospital Infections Program, NCID, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road, NE., M/S A-07, Atlanta, Georgia 30333, telephone 404/639-6439.

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 and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

Dated: March 21, 2001.

John Burckhardt,

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

Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health: Meeting

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 committee meeting:

Name: Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (BSC, NIOSH).

Time and Date: 9 a.m.–3:30 p.m., April 17, 2001.

Place: The Washington Court, 525 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20001-1527.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50 people.

Purpose: The BSC, NIOSH is charged with providing advice to the Director, NIOSH on NIOSH research programs. Specifically, the Board shall provide guidance on the Institute's research activities related to developing and evaluating hypotheses, systematically documenting findings, and disseminating results.

Matters To Be Discussed: Agenda items include a report from the Acting Director of NIOSH; Response to the IOM Report on Safe Work in the 21st Century; Report on Workplace Violence Intervention Research Workshop; Update on NIOSH Health Care Worker Activities; Interim Report of BSC Beryllium Subcommittee; NIOSH Communications Activities; NIOSH Activities in the Maritime Industry; and future activities of the Board.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Contact Person for More Information:

Kathleen Rest, Ph.D., Executive Secretary, BSC, NIOSH, Centers for Disease Control and