

announces the following appointment to the National Environmental Education and Training Foundation, Inc. Board of Trustees. The appointee is Arthur Gibson, Vice President of Environment, Health and Safety for Home Depot. This appointee will join the current Board members which include:

- Braden Allenby, Vice President, Environment, Health and Safety, AT&T.
- Richard Bartlett, (NEETF Chairman) Vice Chairman, Mary Kay Holding Corporation.
- Dorothy Jacobson, Consultant.
- Karen Bates Kress, President, KBK Consulting, Inc.
- Dorothy McSweeney, (NEETF Vice Chair), Chair, DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities.
- Honorable William Sessions, former Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Additional Considerations: Great care has been taken to assure that this new appointee not only has the highest degree of expertise and commitment, but also brings to the Board diverse points of view relating to environmental education and training.

This appointment shall be for two consecutive four year terms.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: C. Michael Baker, 202-564-0446, Acting Director, Office of Environmental Education, Office of Public Affairs (1704A) U.S. EPA 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

Dated: February 18, 2005.

Stephen L. Johnson,
Acting Administrator.

BIO of New Member

Arthur J. Gibson, Vice President, Environmental, Health & Safety; The Home Depot, Inc.

Arthur J. Gibson is Vice President of Environmental, Health and Safety for Home Depot, Inc.

He is responsible for leading the strategy, planning processes, and the day to day functional operations of the Environmental, Health and Safety Organization.

Prior to joining The Home Depot, Art served as Senior Vice President of Corporate Environmental, Health, Safety, Security and Workers' Compensation for the R.R. Donnelley Corporation. Prior to his tenure with R.R. Donnelley, Art was with the Grumman Corporation, where he was the Corporate Director of Environmental, Health, Safety, Medical Services and Energy. Art was also an Aeronautical Design Engineer at Grumman Aerospace Corporation.

Mr. Gibson holds Bachelor's degrees in American Foreign Policy and

Aeronautical Engineering from Cornell University and an MBA in International Finance from Long Island University.

Art currently resides in Atlanta, GA with his wife Patricia and their three children, Sarah, Abigail and Matthew.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements filed February 22, 2005, through February 25, 2005, pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 050078, Draft EIS, AFS, NE, SD, Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Conservation and Management on the Nebraska National Forest and Associated Units, Implementation, Dawes, Sioux, Blaine, Cherry, Thomas Counties, NE and Custer, Fall River, Jackson, Pennington, Jones, Lyman, Stanley Counties, SD, Comment Period Ends: April 18, 2005, Contact: Jeffery S. Abegglen (308) 432-0300.

EIS No. 050079, Final EIS, AFS, CA, Cottonwood Fire Vegetation Management Project, Control Vegetation Competing with Conifer Seedlings, Sierraville Ranger District, Tahoe National Forest, Sierra County, CA, Wait Period Ends: April 4, 2005, Contact: Teri Banka (530) 994-3401.

EIS No. 050080, Draft EIS, FRC, TX, Ingleside Energy Center Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Import Terminal and San Patricio Pipeline Natural Gas Pipeline, Authorization to Construct, Install and Operate, San Patricio and Nueces Counties, TX, Comment Period Ends: April 18, 2005, Contact: Thomas Russo 1-(866) 208-3372.

EIS No. 050081, Draft EIS, AFS, OR, B & B Recovery Project, Proposed Harvest of Fire-Killed Trees, Reduction of Fuels, Planting of Tree, Deschutes National Forest, Sisters Ranger District, Jefferson and Deschutes Counties, OR, Comment Period Ends: April 18, 2005, Contact: Leslie Weldon (541) 549-7743.

EIS No. 050082, Draft EIS, FRC, CO, WY, Entrega Pipeline Project, Construction and Operation New Interstate Natural Gas Pipeline System, Right-of-Way Grant Issue by BLM, Meeker Hub and Cheyenne

Hub, Rio Blanco and Weld Counties, CO, and Sweetwater County, WY, Comment Period Ends: April 18, 2005, Contact: Thomas Russo 1-(866) 208-3372

Amended Notices

EIS No. 050052, Draft EIS, FHW, MI, IN, US-131 Improvement Study, from the Indiana Toll Road (1-80/90) to a Point One Mile North of Cowling Road, U.S. Army COE Section 404 Permit, St. Joseph County, MI and Elkhart County, IN, Comment Period Ends: April 29, 2005, Contact: Abdelmoez A. Abdalla (517) 702-1820. Revision of **Federal Register** notice published on February 11, 2005: CEQ Comment Period Ending March 28, 2005, has been Extended to April 29, 2005.

Dated: March 1, 2005.

Robert W. Hargrove,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6661-2]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act, as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 2, 2004 (69 FR 17403).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-AFS-G65095-NM Rating LO, Buckman Water Diversion Project, Proposal to Divert Water from Rio Grande and San Juan-Chama Project, To Meet Water Supply Needs, Sante Fe National Forest and Taos Field Office, Sante Fe County, NM.

Summary: EPA does not object to the preferred alternative.

ERP No. D-BLM-L65471-ID Rating EC2, Fire, Fuels and Related Vegetation Management Direction Plan Amendment, Upper Snake River District (The District), Amending 12 Existing Land Use Plans, Several Counties, ID.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns about air quality and grazing impacts, and requested additional information on

acute and chronic effects of chemical treatments.

ERP No. D-FHW-E40802-MS Rating EC1, I-69 Section of Independent Utility #11 Project, Construction of Multi-Lane, Interstate Highway from Benoit to Robinsonville, US. Army COE Section 404 Permit, Mississippi River Bridge, Bolivar, Coahoma, Tunica and Sunflower Counties, MS.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about the proposed project related to water resource impacts (wetlands, streams, and floodplains), land use change/habitat loss, and refining mitigation commitments.

ERP No. D-FHW-H50002-NE Rating LO, Bellevue Bridge Study, To Improve Connectivity between the Omaha Metropolitan Area and across the Missouri River from U.S. 75 to I-29, Coast Guard Permit, NPDES Permit, U.S. Army COE

Section 10 and 404 Permits, Mills County, IA and Sarpy County, NE.

Summary: EPA does not object to the proposed project.

ERP No. D-UAF-G11053-NM Rating LO, New Mexico Training Initiative, Proposal to Modify the Training Airspace New Cannon Air Force Base (AFB), NM.

Summary: EPA does not object to the proposed action.

ERP No. D-USN-E11054-FL Rating EC2, Navy Air-To-Ground Training at Avon Park Air Force Range, To Conduct Air-to-Ground Ordnance Delivery and Training, Fleet Forces Command's Fleet Readiness Training Program (FRTTP), Polk and Highlands Counties, FL.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about wetland and noise impacts.

ERP No. DA-ICC-J53004-MT Rating EC2, Tongue River Railroad Construction and Operation of the Proposed Western Alignment Tongue River III Southernmost Portion of the 41-mile Ashland to Decker Alignment, Rosebud and Bighorn Counties, MT.

Summary: EPA expressed concern about water quality, wetlands, Tribal Trust resources, and indirect/cumulative environmental impacts, and requested additional information, data, analysis, and discussion related to these issues be included in the final EIS.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-IBR-K39085-CA San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority—2005 to 2014, Water Transfer Program, Stanislaus, San Joaquin, Merced, Madera, Fresno, San Benito, Santa Clara, Kern, and Kings Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed continuing concerns about impacts on water quality, flow, and beneficial uses and the relationship to proposed water quality improvement measures.

ERP No. F-NPS-G65017-TX Rio Grande Wild and Scenic River General Management Plan, Implementation, Big Bend National Park, Brewster and Terrell Counties, TX.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. FS-FHW-E40325-NC Western Section of the Winston-Salem Northern Beltway, U.S. 158 north to U.S. 52, TIP Nos. R-2247, Forsyth County, NC.

Summary: EPA continues to express concern due to aquatic stream habitat impacts, water supply, watershed impacts, and residential relocation impacts.

Dated: March 1, 2005.

Robert W. Hargrove,
Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7880-9]

Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS); Announcement of 2005 Program; Request for Information

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice; announcement of IRIS 2005 program agenda and request for scientific information on human health effects that may result from exposure to chemical substances.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the IRIS 2005 agenda and requesting scientific information on health effects that may result from exposure to the chemical substances for which EPA is starting assessments this year.

The Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) is an EPA database that contains the Agency's scientific consensus positions on human health effects that may result from exposure to chemical substances in the environment. On February 9, 2004 (69 FR 5971), EPA announced the 2004 IRIS agenda, with solicitation of scientific information from the public for consideration in assessing health effects from specific chemical substances. All assessments currently in progress or completed in 2004 are listed in this notice. This notice also provides an

update on EPA's efforts to improve the IRIS database.

DATES: Please submit any scientific information in response to this notice in accordance with the instructions provided at the end of this notice by May 3, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Please submit relevant scientific information identified by docket ID number ORD-2003-0016, online at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket> (EPA's preferred method); by e-mail to oei.docket@epa.gov; mailed to EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; or by hand delivery or courier to EPA Docket Center, EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. Comments on a disk or CD-ROM should be formatted in Wordperfect or ASCII file, avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption, and may be mailed to the mailing address above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the IRIS program, contact Amy Mills, IRIS Program Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment, (mail code 8601D), Office of Research and Development, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, DC 20460; telephone: (202) 564-3204, facsimile: (202) 565-0075; or e-mail: mills.amy@epa.gov.

For general questions about access to IRIS, or the content of IRIS, please call the IRIS Hotline at (202) 566-1676 or send electronic mail inquiries to hotline.iris@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

IRIS is an EPA database containing Agency scientific positions on potential adverse human health effects that may result from exposure to chemical substances found in the environment.¹ IRIS currently provides information on health effects associated with more than 500 chemical substances.

The database includes chemical-specific summaries of qualitative and quantitative health information in support of the first two steps of the risk assessment process, *i.e.*, hazard identification and dose-response evaluation. Combined with specific

¹ EPA notes that information in the IRIS database has no preclusive effect and does not predetermine the outcome of any rulemaking. When EPA uses such information to support a rulemaking, the scientific basis for, and the application of, that information are subject to comment.