

radium NPDWRs by November 2000. The Agency is in the process of reviewing current scientific information, new technologies, cost factors, implementation issues, and other considerations relating to these contaminants in light of the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996. Before deciding on any course of action, EPA is interested in obtaining the views of individuals, agencies, and organizations, who have a stake in possible revisions to the drinking water regulations for radionuclides. The meeting is open to all members of the public at no cost.

DATES AND TIMES: The stakeholder meeting will be held on Thursday, December 11, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT and Friday, December 12, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EDT.

LOCATION: Washington D.C. area.

REGISTRATION: To register, call the Safe Drinking Water Hotline toll free at 1-800-426-4791 between 9:00 am and 5:30 pm EDT. Individuals who register by December 2, 1997 will receive by mail an agenda, logistics sheet, and background materials prior to the meeting. These materials will also be distributed at the meeting.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For members of the public unable to attend the meeting in person, a limited number of telephone conference lines will be available on a first-reserved, first-served basis. To register for a conference call line, call the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

Under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), EPA established National Interim Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs) for radionuclides in 1976. At that time, the Agency set three different maximum contaminant levels (MCLs): an MCL for radium-226 and radium-228 combined (5pCi/l); an MCL level for all radionuclides that emit alpha particles (15 pCi/l); and an MCL for all radionuclides that emit beta particles and photon radiation, alone or combination in water (4 mrem). Radon and uranium were not included in these regulations.

The 1986 Amendments to the SDWA directed EPA to develop, or revise, regulations for 83 listed contaminants which included all the radionuclides above. The Amendments also finalized the regulations by eliminating the term "interim"; interim rules became National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs). EPA was charged with promulgating health-based

maximum contaminant level goals (MCLG) as well as MCLs. When EPA failed to meet the statutory schedules for promulgating the radionuclide NPDWRs, a lawsuit was brought which established a new schedule.

In 1991, the Agency proposed revisions to these regulations which, among other changes, included revised, separate MCLs for radium-226 (20 pCi/l) and radium-228 (20 pCi/l), and revised beta and photon limits (4 mrem). EPA also proposed MCLs for uranium (20 ug/l or 30 pCi/l) and radon (300 pCi/l), and MCLGs for all radionuclides (zero). A final regulation based on the proposal was not promulgated.

The SDWA Amendments of 1996 directed EPA to withdraw the portion of the proposal dealing with radon (which has been done), and adopt the schedule from earlier consent decrees for the major radionuclide groups. The Amendments also direct EPA to review and revise the regulations every six years as appropriate to maintain or provide greater protection of health.

In 1996, the United States District Court for the District of Oregon issued an order on stipulated agreement with plaintiffs concerning uranium, radium, alpha, beta and photon emitters which updated the existing schedule. The Court directed EPA to take final action for uranium within four years (November 2000), and to either take final action on the proposal regarding radium, alpha, beta and photon emitters within four years, or state its reasons for not taking final action, thereby either reaffirming the current standard, or establishing a different one.

B. Meeting Issues and Request for Stakeholder Involvement

EPA intends to base any revisions to the NPDWRs for radionuclides on the best available health effects data, treatment technologies, occurrence data, implementation options and on stakeholder input. To realize these intentions, EPA will cover a broad range of issues at the meeting, including, but not limited to:

- Statutory provisions;
- Options for comprehensive regulation;
- Implementation strategies and considerations;
- Identification of costs and benefits; and
- Environmental equity issues.

EPA has announced this public meeting to hear from stakeholders on EPA's plans to develop the radionuclides rule. EPA invites all interested parties to share their views on this important topic.

Dated: November 4, 1997.

William R. Diamond,

Acting Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, Environmental Protection Agency.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 97-2300]

Private Land Mobile Radio

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On November 3, 1997, the Public Safety and Private Wireless Division released a public notice seeking comments on a request made by Amoco Production Company (Amoco) for an advisory opinion. The advisory opinion was requested to determine whether a proposed joint arrangement between Amoco and Shell Offshore Services Company (SOSCO) constitutes a "not-for-profit, cost shared" arrangement.

DATES: Comments are to be filed on or before December 10, 1997, and reply comments on or before December 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M St., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Moskowitz, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Public Safety & Private Wireless Division, (202) 418-0680, or via E-mail to "jmoskowi@fcc.gov".

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Released: November 3, 1997.

1. On January 8, 1997, Amoco Production Company (Amoco) filed a document captioned "Request for an Advisory Opinion" (Request) on the issue of whether a proposed joint arrangement between Amoco and Shell Offshore Services Company (SOSCO) constitutes a "not-for-profit, cost-shared" arrangement pursuant to § 90.603 of the Commission's Rules. The Commission now invites comment on the Request.

2. Amoco proposes to expand its existing 900 MHz Industrial/Land Transportation trunked two-way mobile communications system in the Gulf of Mexico and integrate that system with SOSCO's existing 6 GHz common carrier, point-to-point microwave network. Amoco states that this project will expand its 900 MHz system

considerably—from its current twelve channels trunked in three-channel groups at thirteen sites, to approximately thirty sites with “a small number” of additional channels. Amoco estimates that this system will serve as many as 200 “participants,” employing approximately 8,000 portable units.

3. This system will also incorporate the 6 GHz point-to-point microwave network that SOSCO currently operates in the Gulf of Mexico as a common carrier pursuant to § 101.701 of the Commission’s Rules. Under the plan outlined in the Request, SOSCO is to be the principal point-to-point bandwidth provider to transport the 900 MHz traffic between sites in the Gulf to interconnection points with on-shore common carriers. Additionally, Amoco proposes to have SOSCO provide local exchange and long distance service to the “participants” in the 900 MHz system at a profit.

4. Interested parties may file comments on Amoco’s Request no later than December 10, 1997. Parties interested in submitting reply comments must do so no later than December 24, 1997. All comments should reference Amoco’s Request and the File No. DA 97–2300, and should be filed with the Office of Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 222, Washington, DC 20554. A copy of each filing should be sent to International Transcription Service, Inc. (ITS), 1231 20th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036, (202) 857–3800 and to James Moskowitz, Federal Communications Commission, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, 2025 M Street, N.W., Room 8010, Washington, D.C. 20554.

5. The full text of the petition, comments, and reply comments may be obtained from International Transcription Service, Inc. (ITS), 1231 20th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036, (202) 857–3800.

Federal Communications Commission.

David E. Horowitz,

Division Chief, Public Safety & Private Wireless Division.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

FEDERAL REGISTER NUMBER: 97–28967.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, November 5, 1997, 10:00 a.m., Meeting open to the public. The Public Hearing on Recordkeeping and

Reporting Notice of Proposed Rulemaking has been CANCELLED.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, November 12, 1997 at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Compliance matters pursuant to 2

U.S.C. § 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C.

§ 437g, § 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C.

Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration.

Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, November 13, 1997 at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC (ninth floor).

STATUS: This meeting will be open to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Correction and Approval of Minutes.

Advisory Opinion 1997–22: Business

Council of Alabama by William F.

O’Connor, Jr., President.

Briefing: Status of Systems Development Project.

Administrative Matters.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

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Marjorie W. Emmons,

Secretary of the Commission.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

ACTION: Notice.

Background:

On June 15, 1984, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delegated to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) its approval authority under the Paperwork Reduction Act, as per 5 CFR 1320.16, to approve of and assign OMB control numbers to collection of information requests and requirements conducted or sponsored by the Board under conditions set forth in 5 CFR 1320 Appendix A.1. The Federal Reserve may not conduct or sponsor, and the

respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Board-approved collections of information will be incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. Copies of the OMB 83-Is, supporting statements, and the approved collection of information instruments will be placed into OMB’s public docket files. The following information collections, which are being handled under this delegated authority, have received initial Board approval and are hereby published for comment. At the end of the comment period, the proposed information collections, along with an analysis of comments and recommendations received, will be submitted to the Board for final approval under OMB delegated authority. Comments are invited on the following:

a. whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the Federal Reserve’s functions; including whether the information has practical utility;

b. the accuracy of the Federal Reserve’s estimates of the burden of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

c. ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and d. ways to minimize the burden of information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. **DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before January 6, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments, which should refer to the OMB control number or agency form number, should be addressed to William W. Wiles, Secretary, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, DC 20551, or delivered to the Board’s mail room between 8:45 a.m. and 5:15 p.m., and to the security control room outside of those hours. Both the mail room and the security control room are accessible from the courtyard entrance on 20th Street between Constitution Avenue and C Street, N.W. Comments received may be inspected in room M-P-500 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except as provided in section 261.8 of the Board’s Rules Regarding Availability of Information, 12 CFR 261.8(a).

A copy of the comments may also be submitted to the OMB desk officer for the Board: Alexander T. Hunt, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,