

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6424-9]

National Environmental Justice Advisory Council Subcommittee on Health and Research Notification of Meeting and Public Comment Period; Open Meetings

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, we now give notice that the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) Subcommittee on Health and Research will meet on the dates and times described below. All times noted are Central Standard Time. All meetings are open to the public. Due to limited space, seating at the NEJAC meeting will be on a first-come basis. Documents that are the subject of NEJAC reviews are normally available from the originating EPA office and are not available from the NEJAC. The NEJAC Subcommittee meetings will take place at the Hyatt on Printer's Row, 500 S. Dearborn St. (312) 986-1234, Chicago, IL. The meeting dates are as follows: September 13, 1999 through September 15, 1999.

Registration for the meeting will begin on Monday, September 13, 1999 at 5 p.m. A public comment period to address community environmental health and health assessments is scheduled for Monday, September 13, 1999 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Subcommittee will convene Tuesday, September 14, 1999 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Wednesday, September 15, 1999 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Business will include discussion of community assessment protocols, the Community Environmental Assessment Decision Tree project, and the agenda for the May 2000 NEJAC meeting.

Any member of the public wishing additional information on the subcommittee meetings should contact the Designated Federal Official at the telephone number listed below.

Mr. Chen Wen—202/260-4109

Mr. Lawrence Martin—202/564-6497

Members of the public who wish to participate in the public comment period should register to do so by September 10, 1999. Individuals or groups making oral presentations during the public comment period should address their remarks to community environmental health and health assessments, and will be limited to a total time of five minutes. If you wish to submit written comments of any length (at least 15 copies), they should also be received by September 10, 1999. Comments received after that date will

be provided to the Subcommittee as logistics allow. Correspondence concerning registration and written comments should be sent to Chen Wen at EPA/OPPTS, 401 M St. SW (7409), Washington, DC 20460.

Dated: August 14, 1999.

Lawrence Martin,

Designated Federal Official, National Environmental Justice Advisory Council Subcommittee on Health and Research.

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[FRL-6425-8]

Jack's Creek/Sitkin Smelting Superfund Site De Minimis Settlement; Proposed Administrative Settlement Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The United States Environmental Protection Agency is proposing to enter into a *de minimis* settlement pursuant to section 122(g)(4) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9622(g)(4). This proposed settlement is intended to resolve the liabilities under CERCLA of Robert J. Clark, d/b/a Clark Trucking, for response costs incurred by the United States Environmental Protection Agency at the Jack's Creek/Sitkin Smelting Superfund Site, Maitland County, Pennsylvania.

DATES: Comments must be provided on or before September 20, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to the Docket Clerk, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19103, and should refer to: In Re: Jack's Creek/Sitkin Smelting Superfund Site, Maitland County, Pennsylvania, U.S. EPA Docket No. III-98-094-DC.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Isales (215) 814-2647, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Regional Counsel, (3RC42), 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19103.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Notice of De Minimis Settlement

In accordance with section 122(i)(1) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(i)(1), and section 7003(d) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d), notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement concerning the Jack's Creek/Sitkin Smelting Superfund Site in Maitland County, Pennsylvania. The administrative settlement was signed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and is subject to review by the public pursuant to this Notice. The agreement has been approved by the Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, or her designee, pursuant to section 122(g)(4) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g)(4). The Attorney General, or her designee, has also approved the agreement for the purpose of granting the covenant not to sue for damages to natural resources on behalf of the Department of the Interior ("DOI").

The settling party has agreed to pay \$2,000.00 to United States Environmental Protection Agency toward EPA response costs and \$500.00 to DOI for damages to natural resources, subject to the contingency that the Environmental Protection Agency may elect not to complete the settlement based on matters brought to its attention during the public comment period established by this Notice.

EPA is entering into this agreement under the authority of sections 122(g) and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g) and 9607. Section 122(g) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g), authorizes early settlements with *de minimis* parties to allow them to resolve their liabilities under, inter alia, section 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607, to reimburse the United States for response costs incurred in cleaning up Superfund sites without incurring substantial transaction costs. The grant of a covenant not to sue for damages to natural resources by DOI to those parties paying their share of such allocated costs is subject to agreement in writing by DOI pursuant to section 122(j) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(j).

The Environmental Protection Agency will receive written comments upon this proposed administrative settlement for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this Notice. Moreover, pursuant to section 7003(d) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d), the public may request a meeting in the affected area. A copy of the proposed Administrative Order on Consent can be obtained by contacting Daniel Isales,

Office of Regional Counsel, at the address and phone number listed above.
W. Michael McCabe,
Regional Administrator, Region III.
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[FRL-6425-7]

Proposed Administrative Agreement for Collection of CERCLA Response and Oversight Costs

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; proposed CERCLA 122(h) administrative agreement.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to execute an Administrative Agreement (Agreement) under section 122 of CERCLA for collection of a percentage of response and oversight costs at the King River Limited, Incorporated Superfund Site. The Respondent has agreed to pay \$75,000 out of total unrecovered response and oversight costs of approximately \$154,089.43, and in return will receive a covenant not to sue and contribution protection from EPA. EPA today is proposing to execute this Agreement because it achieves collection of a high percentage of total Site costs. The Respondent at the Site previously performed a Superfund removal under a CERCLA section 106 Unilateral Order, at a cost of approximately \$7,000,000. Other responsible parties conducted removal activities at a cost of approximately \$1,000,000. Thus, the overall value of the clean up and settlement to EPA is \$8,075,000 out of an approximate total of \$8,540,089.43. This is 99% of total Site costs.

DATES: Comments on this proposed settlement must be received on or before September 20, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed settlement are available at the following address for review: (It is recommended that you telephone Sue Pastor at (312) 353-1325 before visiting the Region V Office). Sue Pastor, OPA (PI9-J), Coordinator, Office of Public Affairs, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region V, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard (P-19J), Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 353-1325.

Comments on this proposed settlement should be addressed to: (Please submit an original and three copies, if possible) Sue Pastor, OPA (P19-J), Coordinator, Office of Public Affairs, U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency, Region V, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard (P-19J), Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 353-1325.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sue Pastor, Office of Public Affairs, at (312) 353-1325.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The King River Limited Superfund Site is located at 202 Vine Street, New Boston, Ohio (Scioto County). In response to the release or threatened release of hazardous substances at or from the Site, EPA undertook response actions at the Site pursuant to section 104 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9604. The Site is a portion of a former steel mill approximately 6.74 acres in size which was contaminated in 1987 with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) as a result of demolition activities conducted by Spar Construction. At the time of the demolition, Cyclops Corporation owned the Site and leased it to King River Limited. As a result of its 1992 merger with Cyclops Corporation, Armco Incorporated is a responsible party under section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a).

Pursuant to a December 29, 1993, Administrative Order on Consent, New Boston Industrial Corporation ("NBIC"), formerly known as King River Limited, conducted a site investigation at the Site, which included the sampling, excavation, and stockpiling of polychlorinated biphenyl ("PCB")-contaminated soil. NBIC performed the cleanup work as agreed under the AOC until its available fund were exhausted.

Pursuant to a September 26, 1994, Unilateral Administrative Order, Armco maintained site security, transported and disposed of the stockpiled soils, and confirmed the removal of all PCB-contaminated soils containing PCBs over 25 ppm from the Site. In all, 388 rail cars carried approximately 35,000 tons of PCB-contaminated soils to a Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA")-regulated landfill.

Costs associated with the cleanup of this Site, which were paid by responsible parties, were estimated to be over \$8,000,000. EPA's total unrecovered oversight costs for this site are approximately \$154,089.43.

A 30-day period, beginning on the date of publication, is open pursuant to section 122(I) of CERCLA for comments on the proposed Administrative Agreement. Comments should be sent to Sue Pastor of the Office of Public Affairs (P-19J), U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency, Region V, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

William E. Muno,

Director, Superfund Division.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[CC Docket No. 96-98; DA 99-1606]

Public Service Commission of Wisconsin's Petition Requesting Additional Authority To Implement Number Conservation Measures

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On August 12, 1999, the Commission released a public notice requesting public comment on a petition from the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin ("Petition") requesting additional authority to implement number conservation measures. The intended effect of this action is to make the public aware of, and to seek public comment on, this request.

DATES: Comments are due by September 13, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jared Carlson at (202) 418-2320 or jcarlson@fcc.gov. The address is: Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, The Portals, 445 12th Street, SW, Suite 6-A320, Washington, DC 20554. The fax number is: (202) 418-2345. The TTY number is: (202) 418-0484.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On September 28, 1998, the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") released an order in the matter of a Petition for Declaratory Ruling and Request for Expedited Action on the July 15, 1997 Order of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Regarding Area Codes 412, 610, 215, and 717, and Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, *Memorandum Opinion and Order and Order on Reconsideration*, FCC 98-224, CC Docket No. 96-98, 63 FR 63613, NSD File No. L-97-42 (rel. September 28, 1998) ("Pennsylvania Numbering Order"). The Pennsylvania Numbering Order delegated additional authority to state public utility commissions to order NXX code rationing, under certain circumstances, in jeopardy situations and encouraged state commissions to seek further limited delegations of