

must be filed in response to and in compliance with public notice of the initial development application. No competing applications or notices of intent may be filed in response to this notice.

Protests or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is not ready or environmental analysis at this time; therefore, the Commission is not now requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters, the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE"; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6514-9]

National Drinking Water Advisory Council Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites all interested persons to suggest individuals to serve as members of the working groups that will be formed under the National Drinking Water Advisory Council (NDWAC) on specific matters relating to implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). The Advisory Council was established to provide practical and independent advice, consultation, and recommendations to the Agency on the activities, functions and policies related to the Act as amended. At the November 2-4, 1999, meeting of the Council, it was decided that two new working groups should be formed on the following subjects: (1) Contaminant Identification, Regulation Review, and Occurrence; and (2) Drinking Water Research.

1. Contaminant Identification, Regulation Review, and Occurrence

The Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended, requires EPA to make regulatory determinations for at least five contaminants from the Contaminant Candidate List (CCL) every five years. The SDWA deadline for the first set of contaminant identification regulatory determinations is August 6, 2001. In order to make an affirmative determination to regulate, the SDWA requires three findings be made for each contaminant: (1) It adversely affects public health; (2) It is known or likely to occur in public water systems with a frequency and at levels posing a health concern; and (3) regulation of the contaminant must present a meaningful opportunity for reduction of health risks.

SDWA also requires that EPA review all existing National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs) every six years and revise as appropriate. The SDWA deadline for completing the first review of existing NPDWRs is August 6, 2002. In reviewing existing NPDWRs, EPA proposes to subject regulated contaminants to rigorous evaluation based on available data to determine whether the Agency could justify possible rule revisions. According to SDWA, any revision to a regulation must result in an equal or

greater level of public health protection. The process by which EPA will review existing regulations will be outlined in a protocol currently under development.

EPA hopes the NDWAC working group members will develop a framework and specific recommended processes to assist the Agency in evaluating the scientific data available to inform regulatory determinations from the CCL and in reviewing and selecting existing NPDWRs for possible revision. Also, the group would be asked to recommend processes in evaluating what occurrence data are needed and how to obtain this information to assist the Agency in its future reviews of NPDWRs.

2. Drinking Water Research

EPA is developing a Comprehensive Research Strategy that considers the broad range of research needed to support the Agency's drinking water regulatory activities. This research strategy will include an assessment of research needs for microbes and disinfection by-products (M/DBPs), arsenic, CCL contaminants, and other critical research issues. Ensuring that EPA has the science needed to make sound regulatory decisions has been an ongoing concern of the Council. A Research working group would be charged with two major activities: (1) Consider the research needs associated with this broad range of issues, including but not limited to those covered by the existing M/DBP and Arsenic Research Plans and the CCL Research Plan that is under development; and (2) consider the overall needs for drinking water research and provide advice to the NDWAC on how the Agency might prioritize research in the context of annual budget allocation demands. The working group will be asked to produce a "white paper" on drinking water research needs and priorities that NDWAC could forward to the Agency for consideration in the development of the Comprehensive Research Strategy.

Because membership on these groups will be limited and must be representative of balanced views, selections will be made by the Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, based on drinking water expertise and demonstrated interest in drinking water policy. Any interested person or organization may suggest an individual for a position on the working groups. Candidates should be identified by name, occupation, position, address and telephone number and the working group for which they wish to be considered for membership.

Persons selected for membership are responsible for any expenses that would be incurred while attending meetings. Suggestions should be submitted to Charlene E. Shaw, Designated Federal Officer, National Drinking Water Advisory Council, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (4601), 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC 20460, no later than January 26, 2000. The Agency will not formally acknowledge or respond to nominations. E-Mail your questions to shaw.charlene@epa.gov or call 202/260-2285.

Dated: December 17, 1999.

Elizabeth Fellows,

Acting Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Science Advisory Board; Public Advisory Committee Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Integrated Risk Project Peer Review Subcommittee, a subcommittee comprised of members from the Research Strategies Advisory Committee (RSAC) of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) and the Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) of the Office of Research and Development (ORD), will meet on Wednesday and Thursday, January 12 and 13, 2000 in room 4630 at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. The meeting will begin at 8:30 am and end no later than 5:30 pm each day. The meeting is open to the public; however, seating is limited and available on a first-come basis.

Purpose of the Meeting

The purpose of this meeting is to review the Office of Research and Development's Science To Achieve Results (STAR) Program.

Proposed Charge

The Subcommittee has been asked to address the following issues: (1) Is the STAR Program structured to support outstanding scientists and technically meritorious research? Is the outreach to potential applicants, the review of proposals, and the management of awards structured to foster high quality science?; (2) Is the STAR Program

effectively integrated with ORD's in-house programs and with other EPA programs? Are the topics for STAR solicitations selected consistent with the priorities identified in the Agency's Strategic Plan? Are there other opportunities where the STAR Program could significantly contribute to the Agency's strategic goals?; (3) Is the STAR Program communicating well within the Agency, with the external scientific and regulatory communities, and with other stakeholders? Is there sufficient leveraging and coordination of research efforts?; (4) What systems should be in place to monitor the Program's impacts, costs, credibility, and effectiveness, and to what extent are these in place already? What metrics of success should be developed to determine the effectiveness of grants in terms of impacts on agency decisions? What information should be collected today on metrics of success for the STAR grants? How should program offices and other agency customers for the grant products be involved in the establishment of criteria for measuring the impacts of the program?

For Further Information Concerning the Meeting

Members of the public desiring additional information about the meeting should contact Dr. John R. Fowle III, Designated Federal Officer, Research Strategies Advisory Committee, Science Advisory Board (1400A), U.S. EPA, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-4547; fax at (202) 501-0323; or via e-mail at fowle.jack@epa.gov or Ms. Shirley Hamilton, Designated Federal Officer, Board of Scientific Counselors, Office of Research and Development (8701R), U.S. EPA, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-6853; fax at (202) 565-2444; or via email at hamilton.shirley@epa.gov. A copy of the draft agenda and copies of the background material will be available approximately two weeks prior to the meeting on the SAB website (www.epa.gov/sab) or from Ms. Betty Fortune at the fax or address noted above for Dr. Fowle and or by phone at (202) 564-4533.

Members of the public who wish to make a brief oral presentation to the Subcommittee must contact Dr. Fowle in writing (by email, by letter or by fax—see previously stated information) no later than 12 noon Eastern Time, Tuesday, January 5, 2000 in order to be included on the Agenda. Public comments will be limited to ten minutes

per speaker or organization. The request should identify the name of the individual making the presentation, the organization (if any) they will represent, any requirements for audio visual equipment (e.g., overhead projector, 35mm projector, chalkboard, etc), and at least 35 copies of an outline of the issues to be addressed or of the presentation itself.

Providing Oral or Written Comments at SAB Meetings

The Science Advisory Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. In general, each individual or group making an oral presentation will be limited to a total time of ten minutes. Written comments (at least 35 copies) received in the SAB Staff Office sufficiently prior to a meeting date (usually one week before the meeting), may be mailed to the relevant SAB committee or subcommittee; comments received too close to the meeting date will normally be provided to the committee at its meeting, or mailed soon after receipt by the Agency. Written comments may be provided to the relevant committee or subcommittee up until the time of the meeting.

Additional information concerning the Science Advisory Board, its structure, function, and composition, may be found on the SAB Website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) and in the Annual Report of the Staff Director which is available from the SAB Publications Staff at (202) 564-4533 or via fax at (202) 501-0256.

Meeting Access

Individuals requiring special accommodation at this meeting, including wheelchair access, should contact Dr. Fowle or Ms. Hamilton at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: December 20, 1999.

Donald G. Barnes,

Staff Director, Science Advisory Board.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Receipt of Requests to Voluntary Cancel Certain Pesticide Registrations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).