

will be available at EPA's conformity website: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/transp.htm>, (once there, click on the "Conformity" button, then look for "Adequacy Review of SIP Submissions for Conformity").

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Throughout this document, whenever "we," "us" or "our" is used, we mean EPA. Today's notice is simply an announcement of a finding that we have already made. EPA Region 5 sent a letter to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency on May 31, 2001, stating that the motor vehicle emissions budgets in the Chicago, Illinois submitted 1-hour ozone attainment demonstration for 2007 are adequate. This finding will also be announced on EPA's conformity website: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/transp.htm>, (once there, click on the "Conformity" button, then look for "Adequacy Review of SIP Submissions for Conformity").

Transportation conformity is required by section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act. EPA's conformity rule requires that transportation plans, programs, and projects conform to state air quality implementation plans and establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they do. Conformity to a SIP means that transportation activities will not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's motor vehicle emission budgets are adequate for conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). Please note that an adequacy review is separate from EPA's completeness review, and it also should not be used to prejudge EPA's ultimate approval of the SIP. Even if we find a budget adequate, the SIP could later be disapproved.

We've described our process for determining the adequacy of submitted SIP budgets in guidance (May 14, 1999 memo titled "Conformity Guidance on Implementation of March 2, 1999 Conformity Court Decision"). We followed this guidance in making our adequacy determination.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671 q.

Dated: June 3, 2001.

**David A. Ullrich,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-140290; FRL-6788-3]

### Access to Confidential Business Information by Abt Associates

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has authorized its contractor Abt Associates of Cambridge, MA access to information which has been submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be confidential business information (CBI).

**DATES:** Access to the confidential data submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA occurred as a result of an approved waiver dated May 30, 2001, which requested granting Abt Associates immediate access to sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA CBI.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Barbara A. Cunningham, Acting Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Does this Notice Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to "those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)." Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

##### II. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document or Other Related Documents?

You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related

documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select; Laws and Regulations; "Regulations and Proposed Rules," and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

##### III. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Under contract number 68-W-01-039, contractor Abt Associates, of 55 Wheeler Street, Cambridge, MA, will assist the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPTS) in evaluating the potential risks of new chemical substances including microorganisms; and evaluating existing chemicals for risk and for the need to develop data bearing on such risks.

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under EPA contract number 68-W-01-039, Abt Associates will require access to CBI submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract.

Access to the confidential data submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA occurred as a result of an approved waiver dated May 30, 2001, which requested granting Abt Associates immediate access to sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA CBI. This waiver was necessary to allow Abt Associates to assist EPA in evaluating the potential risks of new chemical substances including microorganisms, and evaluating existing chemicals for risk and for the need to develop data bearing on such risks.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA that EPA will provide Abt Associates access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place at EPA Headquarters and at Abt Associates' site located at 4800 Montgomery Lane, Bethesda, MD. No access will occur at the Bethesda, MD facility until after it has been approved for the storage of TSCA CBI.

Abt Associates will be authorized access to TSCA CBI at EPA Headquarters and their site located at 4800 Montgomery Lane, Bethesda, MD, in accordance with the EPA *TSCA Confidential Business Information Security Manual*.

Clearance for access to TSCA CBI under this contract may continue until April 30, 2006.

Abt Associates personnel will be required to sign nondisclosure

agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to TSCA CBI.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection,  
Confidential business information.

Dated: June 7, 2001.

**Allen A. Abramson,**

*Director, Information Management Division,  
Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### 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 the **Federal Register** dated April 14, 2000 (65 FR 20157).

#### Draft EISs

ERP No. D-AFS-L65379-ID Rating EC2, Little Weiser Landscape Vegetation Management Project, Implementation, Council Ranger District, Payette National Forest, Adams County, ID.

*Summary:* EPA expressed concerns about the range of alternatives and requested further information on environmental consequences related to water and air quality.

ERP No. D-FHW-G40164-TX Rating EC2, President George Bush Turnpike (PGBT) Segment IV, Improvement from Interstate Highway 35E to Interstate Highway 635, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Dallas County, TX.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested additional information in the Final EIS regarding floodplain and wetland mitigation, borrow pit construction and buffering.

ERP No. D-NPS-K61153-CA Rating EC2, Alcatraz Island Historic Preservation and Safety Construction Program, Protection and Implementation, San Francisco County, CA.

*Summary:* EPA expressed concerns regarding impacts due to lead based

paint, asbestos, and polychlorinated biphenyls and recommended additional information regarding releases of these materials and mitigation measures. EPA also requested additional information and mitigation of impacts to water quality and habitat from dock repairs and mitigation measures to reduce PM10 emissions.

#### Final EISs

ERP No. F-FTA-C54008-NY East Side Access Project, Improve Access to Manhattan's East Side for Commuters in the Long Island Transportation Corridor (LITC), MTA Long Island Rail Road (LIRR), Funding, Nassau, Suffolk, New York, Queens and Bronx Counties, NY.

*Summary:* All of EPA's concerns from the draft have been addressed in the final EIS.

ERP No. F-JUS-G81009-TX Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) Detention Facility Construction in the Houston Area, TX.

*Summary:* EPA has no objections to the action as proposed.

ERP No. F-USN-K11085-HI Fort Kamehameha Outfall Replacement for Wastewater Treatment Plant, Navy Public Works Center, Pearl Harbor, HI.

*Summary:* EPA remains concerned due to project impacts related to turbidity, coral health and ocean disposal of dredged material. EPA requested that the Navy address these issues in the Record of Decision.

Dated: June 12, 2001.

**Joseph C. Montgomery,**

*Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.*

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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  
www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed June 04, 2001 Through June 08, 2001 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

**EIS No. 010204, FINAL SUPPLEMENT,**

EPA, MO, Lower Meramec Basin Wastewater Management Plan, Proposed New Regional Wastewater Treatment Plan and Associated Facilities, St. Louis and Jefferson Counties, MO, Wait Period Ends: July 16, 2001, Contact: Joe Cothorn (913) 551-7148.

**EIS No. 010205, FINAL EIS, NPS, NJ,** Maurice National Scenic and Recreational River (NS&RR) Comprehensive Management Plan, Implementation, Atlantic and Cumberland Counties, NJ, Wait Period Ends: July 16, 2001, Contact: Mary Vaura (215) 597-9175.

**EIS No. 010206, FINAL EIS, NRC, GA,** Generic EIS—Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Unit 1 and 2, License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Supplement 4 to NUREG-1437, Altamaha River, Appling County, GA, Wait Period Ends: July 16, 2001, Contact: Andrew J. Kugler (301) 415-2828.

**EIS No. 010207, DRAFT EIS, GSA, CA,** Los Angeles Federal Building—U. S. Courthouse, Construction of a New Courthouse in the Civic Center, City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, CA, Comment Period Ends: July 30, 2001, Contact: Javad Soltani (415) 522-3493.

**EIS No. 010208, DRAFT EIS, NPS, TX,** Lake Meredith National Recreation Area and Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument Oil and Gas Management Plan, Hutchinson, Moore and Potter Counties, TX, Comment Period Ends: August 15, 2001, Contact: John C. Benjamin (806) 857-3151.

**EIS No. 010209, FINAL EIS, USN, CA,** Naval Station (NAVSTA) San Diego Replacement Pier and Dredging Improvements, Construction, Dredging and Dredged Material Disposal, San Diego Naval Complex, San Diego, CA, Wait Period Ends: July 16, 2001, Contact: Grace S. Penafuerte (619) 556-7773.

**EIS No. 010210, DRAFT EIS, TVA, TN,** Addition of Electric Generation Baseload Capacity, Proposes to Construct a Natural Gas Fired Combined Cycle Power Plant, Franklin County, TN, Comment Period Ends: July 30, 2001, Contact: Bruce L. Yeager (865) 632-8051.

**EIS No. 010211, DRAFT EIS, FRC, WA,** Cowlitz River Hydroelectric Project (No. 2016-044), Relicensing of the Existing 462-megawatt, Cowlitz River, City of Tacoma, WA, Comment Period Ends: July 30, 2001, Contact: David Turner (202) 219-2844.

**EIS No. 010212, FINAL EIS, USN, VA,** Marine Corps Heritage Center (MCHC) Complex, Construction and Operation at Marine Corps Base (MCB) Quantico, VA, Wait Period Ends: July 16, 2001, Contact: Hank Riek (202) 685-3064.

**EIS No. 010213, DRAFT SUPPLEMENT,** UMC, AZ, CA, Yuma Training Range Complex Management, Additional Information on the Cumulative Impacts of Activities on the Sonoran