

from the external peer-review workshop.

DATES: The peer-review panel workshop will begin on June 6, 2006, at 8:30 a.m. and end at Noon on June 7, 2006.

ADDRESSES: The peer-review workshop will be held at Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill, 400 New Jersey Avenue, NW. The EPA contractor, Eastern Research Group, Inc., is organizing, convening, and conducting the peer review workshop. To attend the workshop, register by May 31, 2006, by calling Eastern Research Group, Inc. at 781-674-7374, sending a facsimile to 781-674-2906, or sending an e-mail to meetings@erg.com. You may also register via the Internet at <https://www2.ergweb.com/projects/conferences/ncea/childhra.htm>.

Members of the public may attend the workshop as observers, and there will be a limited time for comments from the public in the afternoon. Please let Eastern Research Group, Inc. know if you wish to make comments during the workshop. Space is limited, and reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

The draft "A Framework for Assessing Health Risks of Environmental Exposures to Children" is available primarily via the Internet on the National Center for Environmental Assessment's home page under the Recent Additions and the Data and Publications menus at <http://www.epa.gov/ncea>. A limited number of paper copies are available from the Technical Information Staff, NCEA-W; telephone: 202-564-3261; facsimile: 202-565-0050. If you are requesting a paper copy, please provide your name, mailing address, and the document title, "A Framework for Assessing Health Risks of Environmental Exposures to Children". Copies are not available from Eastern Research Group, Inc.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions regarding information, registration, and logistics for the external peer-review workshop should be directed to Eastern Research Group, Inc., 100 Hartwell Avenue, Lexington, MA 02421-3136; telephone: 781-674-7260; facsimile: 781-674-2906; e-mail erin.pittorino@erg.com.

For information on the public comment period, contact the Office of Environmental Information Docket; telephone: 202-566-1752; facsimile: 202-566-1753; or e-mail: ORD.Docket@epa.gov.

If you need technical information about the document, please contact Stan Barone Jr., National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA); telephone: 202-564-3308; facsimile:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Information About the Document

Over the past decade there has been a dramatic increase in the recognition and public health concern for the vulnerability of children to exposure to environmental agents. Children have unusual patterns of exposure and have vulnerabilities to chemical agents that are quite distinct from those of adults, and thus require special consideration in risk assessment. Children often have disproportionately higher exposures to certain environmental toxicants because, pound-for-pound of body weight, children have higher food and water intake and breathe more air than adults. Metabolic pathways in the young, especially in the first few months after birth, are immature, and the ability to detoxify environmental agents is different from that of adults. In addition, behavior and activity patterns of children often magnify their exposures. These factors imply that children are likely to have more substantial exposures than adults to certain environmental agents. This document attempts to organize and present current knowledge and practices in a programmatic framework for assessing human health risks from exposures to environmental agents from prior to conception through adolescence.

It describes this framework within the current Agency risk assessment paradigm, and includes problem formulation, analysis and risk characterization as discrete steps in the process. Moreover, this document focuses on mode of action as a context for considering the toxicokinetic and toxicodynamic differences between children and adults, and considers approaches for risk assessment in the context of uncertainty and variability in exposure and critical windows of development.

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Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Notification of a Meeting of the Science Advisory Board

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public face-to-face meeting of the chartered SAB to discuss EPA Regional science programs, review and approve one or more draft SAB Committee reports, and continue the planning of upcoming SAB meetings.

DATES: The dates for the meeting are Thursday, June 22, 2006, from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. through Friday, June 23, 2006, from 8 a.m.-12 noon (Eastern Time).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. EPA Region 2 Headquarters Office, 290 Broadway, Room 27A, New York, NY 10007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Members of the public who wish to obtain further information about this meeting may contact Mr. Thomas O. Miller, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), by mail at EPA SAB Staff Office (1400F), U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; by telephone at (202) 343-9982; by fax at (202) 233-0643; or by e-mail at: miller.tom@epa.gov. The SAB mailing address is: U.S. EPA, Science Advisory Board (1400F), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC, 20460. General information about the SAB, as well as any updates concerning the meeting announced in this notice, may be found on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SAB was established by 42 U.S.C. 4365 to provide independent scientific and technical advice, consultation, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal advisory committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

Background: At this meeting, the Science Advisory Board will: (a) Receive briefings from Regional management and scientists about regional science programs and identify opportunities for SAB and Regional

office interactions; and (b) review at least one draft SAB report. Any additional items to be discussed, as well as any draft reports to be reviewed, will be posted on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab> prior to the meeting.

Availability of Meeting Materials: Materials in support of this meeting will be placed on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab> in advance of this meeting.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the SAB to consider during the advisory process.

Oral Statements: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to five minutes per speaker, with no more than one hour for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Mr. Miller, DFO, at the contact information provided above, by June 15, 2006, to be placed on the public speaker list for the June 22, 2006 meeting.

Written Statements: Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office by June 15, 2006, so that the information may be made available to the SAB for their consideration prior to this meeting. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

Meeting Accommodations: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Mr. Thomas Miller at (202) 343-9982, or via e-mail at miller.tom@epa.gov. To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Mr. Miller, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: May 18, 2006.

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Associate Director for Science, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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Board of Scientific Counselors Computational Toxicology Subcommittee Meeting—June 2006

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, the Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development (ORD), gives notice of one meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) Computational Toxicology Subcommittee.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday June 19, 2006 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The meeting will continue on Tuesday, June 20, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. All times noted are eastern time. The meeting may adjourn early if all business is finished. Requests for the draft agenda or for making oral presentations at the meeting will be accepted up to 1 business day before the meeting.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. EPA Research Triangle Park (RTP) Campus, EPA Main Building (Room C113), 109 T. W. Alexander Dr., Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2006-0460, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- **E-mail:** Send comments by electronic mail (e-mail) to: ORD.Docket@epa.gov, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2006-0460.

- **Fax:** Fax comments to: (202) 566-0224, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2006-0460.

- **Mail:** Send comments by mail to: Board of Scientific Counselors Computational Toxicology Meeting—June 2006 Docket, Mailcode: 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC, 20460, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2006-0460.

- **Hand Delivery or Courier.** Deliver comments to: EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), Room B102, EPA West Building, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2006-0460. Note: this is not a mailing address. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2006-0460. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through <http://www.regulations.gov>, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at the Board of Scientific Counselors Computational Toxicology Subcommittee Meeting—June 2006 Docket, EPA/DC, EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202)