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The Panel shall provide the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the Secretary of the Navy, independent advice and recommendations on critical matters concerning the Department of the Navy. The Panel's focus will include Department of the Navy administration and management, recruitment and training, equipment acquisition and maintenance, military and civilian manpower systems, basing and support infrastructure, and logistical support. The Panel shall be composed of no more than 15 members, who are eminent authorities in the fields of science, research, finance, history, engineering, business, and industry. Members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal officers or employees are appointed as experts or consultants pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109 to serve as special government employee members. Members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal officers or employees are appointed pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.130(a) to serve as regular government employee members. Each member is appointed to provide advice on behalf of the Government on the basis of their best judgment without representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest. Except for reimbursement of official Panel-related travel and per diem, members serve without compensation. The DoD, as necessary and consistent with the Panel's mission and DoD policies and procedures, may establish subcommittees, task forces, or working groups to support the Panel, and all subcommittees must operate under the provisions of FACA and the Government in the Sunshine Act. Subcommittees will not work independently of the Panel and must report all recommendations and advice solely to the Panel for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees, task forces, or working groups have no authority to make decisions and recommendations, verbally or in writing, on behalf of the Panel. No subcommittee or any of its members can update or report, verbally or in writing, directly to the DoD or any Federal officers or employees. The Panel's DFO, pursuant to DoD policy, must be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and must be in attendance for the duration of each and every Panel/subcommittee meeting. The public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the Panel membership about the Panel's mission

and functions. Such statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned Panel meetings. All written statements must be submitted to the Panel's DFO who will ensure the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

Dated: January 2, 2018.

Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Notice of Meeting of the EAC Board of Advisors

AGENCY: U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting for EAC Board of Advisors.

Date and Time: Monday, January 22, 2018, 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. and Tuesday, January 23, 2018, 8:15–11:30 a.m.

Place: Hyatt Regency Coral Gables, 50 Alhambra Plaza, Coral Gables, FL 33134, Phone: (305) 441-1234.

Purpose: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) Board of Advisors will meet to address its responsibilities under the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA), to present its views on issues in the administration of Federal elections, formulate recommendations to the EAC, and receive updates on EAC activities.

Agenda: The Board of Advisors will receive an overview and updates on EAC programs and agency operations. The Board of Advisors will receive updates on the Voluntary Voting System Guidelines (VVSG) 2.0 and on equipment certification. The Board will consider a resolution(s) on VVSG recommendations. The Board will hear a panel discussion on Election Security.

The Board of Advisors will conduct committee breakout sessions and hear committee reports. The Board of Advisors will elect officers, appoint Board of Advisors committee members and chairs, and consider other administrative matters.

Supplementary: Members of the public may submit relevant written statements to the Board of Advisors with respect to the meeting no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, January 16, 2018. Statements may be sent via email at facaboards@eac.gov, via standard mail addressed to the U.S. Election

Assistance Commission, 1335 East West Highway, Suite 4300, Silver Spring, MD 20910, or by fax at 301-734-3108.

This meeting will be open to the public.

Person To Contact for Information:

Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (301) 563-3961.

Bryan Whitener,

Director, National Clearinghouse on Elections, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2004-0500; FRL-9972-77-OAR]

Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Information Collection Activities Associated With EPA's ENERGY STAR Program in the Residential Sector, EPA ICR No. 2193.04

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "EPA's ENERGY STAR Program in the Residential Sector" (EPA ICR No. 2193.04, OMB Control No. 2060-0586) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which was approved through August 31, 2017. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

DATE: Comments must be submitted on or before March 6, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2004-0500, online using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), by email to a-and-r-Docket@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless

the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brian Ng, Energy Star Residential Branch, Mailcode 6202A, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 343-9162; fax number: (202) 343-2204; email address: ng.brian@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Supporting documents which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at www.regulations.gov or in person at the EPA Docket Center, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it to: (i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

Abstract: EPA first developed energy efficiency guidelines for new homes in 1995. ENERGY STAR's new construction programs promote cost-effective, whole house energy efficiency that is independently verified by third party professionals. Through 2016, there have been more than 1.8 million ENERGY STAR certified new homes built in the U.S.

Since participation in the ENERGY STAR program is voluntary, organizations are not required to submit information to EPA. Information received is not of a confidential nature. EPA has developed this ICR to obtain authorization to collect information for the following activities:

Joining the ENERGY STAR Program and Related Activities: An organization interested in joining ENERGY STAR as a partner is asked to submit a partnership agreement establishing its commitment to ENERGY STAR. Partners agree to undertake efforts such as educating their staff and the public about their partnership with ENERGY STAR, developing and implementing a plan to improve energy performance in homes, and highlighting achievements utilizing the ENERGY STAR label.

Verification of ENERGY STAR Guidelines: The purpose of the verification process is to objectively and independently ensure the quality of home construction and improvements with respect to ENERGY STAR guidelines. Under ENERGY STAR's Certified Homes program, verification of a home's energy efficiency occurs when site-built home builders, multifamily high-rise developers, or plants producing manufactured and modular homes want to apply the ENERGY STAR label on homes. The verification process for site-built homes involves the home builder, the third-party verification organization (Home Energy Rating Providers and Home Energy Raters), and the Heating, Ventilation, and Cooling (HVAC) contractor. These organizations complete four checklists as part of the verification process. The verification process for multifamily high-rise units involves the developer and a Licensed Professional (architect or engineer), who submit information both pre-construction and post-construction to ensure that program prerequisites and energy conservation measures are properly installed and meet ENERGY STAR requirements. In addition, plants producing manufactured and modular homes must undergo a certification process to ensure that they consistently produce and install homes that meet ENERGY STAR guidelines. Also, under ENERGY STAR's HVAC Verified Installation program, local program sponsors promote the installation of HVAC systems in homes to meet ENERGY STAR guidelines. Sponsors oversee contractors who perform the installations, perform tests, and report the results to the sponsors. Sponsors submit periodic reports to EPA on these activities.

Evaluation: Partners and other program participants are asked to

periodically submit information to EPA as needed to assist in evaluating ENERGY STAR's effectiveness in helping organizations promote energy efficiency in homes, to assess partners' level of interest and ability in promoting ENERGY STAR in the residential sector, and to determine the impact that ENERGY STAR has on residential energy use and the supply and demand for energy-efficient homes and home improvement products and services. In addition, EPA offers online tools, such as the Home Energy Yardstick and Home Energy Advisor, for homeowners to learn about and improve their homes' energy efficiency.

Periodic Reporting: Some partners are asked to submit information to EPA periodically to assist EPA in tracking and measuring progress in building and promoting ENERGY STAR certified homes and installing and promoting energy-efficient improvements.

ENERGY STAR Awards: Each year, partners are eligible for an ENERGY STAR award, which recognizes organizations demonstrating outstanding support in promoting ENERGY STAR. An application is submitted to EPA by interested partners.

Form Numbers: 5900-06, 5900-08, 5900-17, 5900-33, 5900-172, 5900-175, 5900-176, 5900-178, 5900-179, 5900-180, 5900-183, 5900-184, 5900-186, 5900-188, 5900-189, 5900-194, 5900-266, 5900-267, 5900-268, 5900-269, 5900-270, 5900-271, 5900-272.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Home builders, modular and manufactured home manufacturing plants, developers, verification organizations, oversight organizations, energy efficiency program sponsors (e.g., national, regional, state, or local government entities, utilities), architects, engineers, home plan designers, retailers, contractors, and homeowners.

Respondent's Obligation to Respond: Voluntary.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 132,000 (total).

Frequency of Response: Once, quarterly, annually, and occasionally.

Total Estimated Burden: 183,967 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

Total Estimated Cost: \$13,553,809 (per year). This includes an estimated cost of \$13,553,209 for labor and \$600 for capital investment, operation and maintenance.

Changes in Estimates: The burden estimates presented in this notice are from the last approval. EPA is currently evaluating and updating these estimates as part of the ICR renewal process. EPA will discuss its updated estimates, as well as changes from the last approval,

in the next **Federal Register** notice to be issued for this renewal.

Dated: December 21, 2017.

Carolyn Snyder,

Director, Climate Protection Partnerships Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER–FRL–9036–9]

Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564–7146 or <http://www2.epa.gov/nepa>. Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) Filed 12/25/2017 Through 12/29/2017 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

Notice:

Section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act requires that EPA make public its comments on EISs issued by other Federal agencies. EPA's comment letters on EISs are available at: <https://cdxnodengn.epa.gov/cdx-nepa-public/action/eis/search>

EIS No. 20170249, Draft, OSM, MT, Western Energy Company's Rosebud Mine Area F, Comment Period Ends: 02/20/2018, Contact: Logan Sholar, OSMRE Project Coordinator (303) 293–5036.

Dated: January 2, 2018.

Kelly Knight,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OPP–2017–0007; FRL–9971–45]

Pesticide Product Registration; Receipt of Applications for New Active Ingredients

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has received applications to register pesticide products containing active ingredients not included in any currently registered pesticide products. Pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), EPA is hereby providing notice of receipt and opportunity to comment on these applications.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 5, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by the Docket Identification (ID) Number and the File Symbol of interest as show in the body of this document, by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

- *Mail:* OPP Docket, Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), (28221T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460–0001.

- *Hand Delivery:* To make special arrangements for hand delivery or delivery of boxed information, please follow the instructions at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/contacts.html>.

Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert McNally, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511P), main telephone number: (703) 305–7090; email address: BPPDFRNotices@epa.gov. The mailing address for each contact person is: Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460–0001. As part of the mailing address, include the contact person's name, division, and mail code. The division to contact is listed at the end of each application summary.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this action apply to me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer, or pesticide manufacturer. The following list of North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide to help readers determine whether this document applies to them. Potentially affected entities may include:

- Crop production (NAICS code 111).
- Animal production (NAICS code 112).
- Food manufacturing (NAICS code 311).
- Pesticide manufacturing (NAICS code 32532).

B. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

1. *Submitting CBI.* Do not submit this information to EPA through [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or email. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD–ROM that you mail to EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD–ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD–ROM the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

2. *Tips for preparing your comments.* When preparing and submitting your comments, see the commenting tips at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/comments.html>.

II. Registration Applications

EPA has received applications to register pesticide products containing active ingredients not included in any currently registered pesticide products. Pursuant to the provisions of FIFRA section 3(c)(4) (7 U.S.C. 136a(c)(4)), EPA is hereby providing notice of receipt and opportunity to comment on these applications. Notice of receipt of these applications does not imply a decision by the Agency on these applications.

III. Notice of Receipt—New Active Ingredients

1. *File Symbol:* 10163–GLI. *Docket ID number:* EPA–HQ–OPP–2017–0565. *Applicant:* Gowan Company LLC, P.O. Box 5569, Yuma, AZ 85366–5569. *Product name:* EcoSwing Technical. *Active ingredient:* Biochemical fungicide—Extract of *Swinglea glutinosa* at 100%. *Proposed use:* Biochemical manufacturing-use product. *Contact:* BPPD.

2. *File Symbol:* 10163–GLT. *Docket ID number:* EPA–HQ–OPP–2017–0565. *Applicant:* Gowan Company LLC, P.O. Box 5569, Yuma, AZ 85366–5569. *Product name:* EcoSwing Botanical Fungicide. *Active ingredient:* Biochemical fungicide—Extract of *Swinglea glutinosa* at 82%. *Proposed use:* Biochemical end-use product/fungicide. *Contact:* BPPD.

3. *File Symbol:* 91810–E. *Docket ID number:* EPA–HQ–OPP–2017–0316. *Applicant:* Technology Sciences Group Inc., 712 Fifth St., Suite A, Davis, CA 95616 (on behalf of Lesaffre Yeast