

Degree of public health protection,
Protecting the maximum number of
people including sensitive subgroups,
Addressing the public interest,
Addressing multimedia exposure,
Addressing agents where there is
scientific controversy,
Addressing the potential to change a
regulation.

Prioritization of candidates will be case-by-case depending on issues identified above. The screening team may give higher priority to those agents for which public health protection is of concern to ensure that those agents with the potentially highest risk are addressed first. Other factors such as potential for widespread exposure, particularly to sensitive members of the population, may also place an agent higher on the list.

Selection and Notification

Once the candidate list has been prioritized, the Agency will evaluate the availability of resources for final selection of candidates for reassessment. The Agency must balance resource needs for new assessments as well as reassessments in making this decision. Resources include the availability of staff time as well as resources for conducting peer reviews.

In the fourth quarter of each fiscal year, EPA will publish in the Federal Register a list of agents that have been selected for reevaluation. Those who submitted comments will be notified in writing. If a chemical is not selected for reassessment in the upcoming cycle, EPA will explain its reasons for not including the requester's candidate and invite the requester to resubmit its request during the next cycle (with any updated supporting information, if desired or necessary). A decision to not include a chemical in any given cycle does not mean that the Agency does not consider reassessment of the chemical to be appropriate, and it certainly does not mean that the Agency will not reassess the chemical in some later cycle. The decision merely means that given Agency resources for the performance of reassessments in the upcoming cycle and the other candidates presented, the Agency will not be able to reassess the requestor's candidate in the next cycle. For purposes of judicial review, the Agency does not consider this prioritization decision to be a final Agency action on a request to reassess a chemical.

Once an assessment (including reevaluations) has been completed by EPA, it will undergo peer review in accordance with the Agency's Peer Review Policy. Consistent with previous practices for conducting assessments,

EPA may also consult with other Federal agencies. The final reassessment, reflecting Agency consensus and peer review, will be summarized in IRIS.

The Office of Pesticide Programs is conducting new or updated cancer assessments on certain pesticides according to timetables established for its reregistration, registration and special review programs. A list of potential candidate chemicals to be evaluated in reregistration during FY97 was published for comment in the Federal Register on May 15, 1996. The comment period for that notice ends July 15, 1996. Therefore, requests to reevaluate previous assessments associated with the listed pesticides are not necessary under the process outlined above.

Issues for Comment

EPA requests comments on the proposed process for reevaluating existing cancer hazard and dose response assessments. Specifically, EPA seeks public opinion on four topics.

- (1) The screening criterion.
- (2) The relative importance of the different prioritization factors in determining where an agent falls on the list. Other factors that can usefully be considered.
- (3) The utility and appropriateness of the peer review mechanism(s) suggested for peer review of the ranking of chemicals for reevaluation. Please note that peer review of each completed EPA assessment (both new and reevaluated) will proceed as outlined above.
- (4) Other relevant issues pertaining to this proposed process.

Interim Use of the Proposed Guidelines Pending Finalization in New Assessments

EPA will continue in most circumstances to rely on the assessment information currently available on IRIS as guidance for use in regulatory and non-regulatory decisions. Existing assessments which applied the 1986 Guidelines continue to be scientifically acceptable.

At the same time, the Agency's 1986 Guidelines for Carcinogen Risk Assessment provide for use of data on mode(s)/mechanism(s) of action and biologically-based models whenever such information is available. The 1986 Guidelines state that they are intended to accommodate new knowledge and methods regarding cancer assessment as they emerge. Accordingly, EPA has used new approaches to cancer assessment for agents (such as in EPA's pending reevaluation of dioxin risks) when there

has been sufficient scientific foundation to support the new approaches.

Thus, pending publication of the final revised guidelines and in keeping with advancing knowledge on cancer assessment, the principles and approaches of the Proposed Guidelines will be applied in part or in whole, on a case-by-case basis for new assessments as data warrant. Such use of the Proposed Guidelines will allow EPA to gain more experience before they are finalized. The assessment will state the rationale for applying the Proposed Guidelines. When the Guidelines are adopted by the Agency as final, they will provide guidance for all new cancer hazard and dose-response assessments. EPA will continue to use appropriate peer review processes during this time.

In summary, EPA recognizes the possible need to reevaluate cancer assessments developed using the 1986 Guidelines for Carcinogen Risk Assessment. In addition, EPA must also address new chemicals to meet Agency priorities. Thus, EPA is proposing a process that will enable it to move forward in conducting new assessments while also reevaluating existing assessments using the new guidelines.

Dated: June 17, 1996.
Henry L. Longest,
Acting Assistant Administrator for Research and Development.
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

FCC To Hold Open Commission Meeting Thursday, June 27, 1996

The Federal Communications Commission will hold an Open Meeting on the subjects listed below on Thursday, June 27, 1996, which is scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m., in Room 856, at 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Item No., Bureau, Subject

- 1—Wireless Telecommunications—
Title: Amendment of the Commission's Rules to Permit Flexible Service Offerings in the Commercial Mobile Radio Services, WT Docket No. 96-6). Summary: The Commission will consider action to allow commercial mobile radio service providers more flexibility to provide fixed wireless services.
- 2—Wireless Telecommunications—
Title: Interconnection and Resale Obligations Pertaining to Commercial

Mobile Radio Services (CC Docket No. 94-54). Summary: The Commission will consider roaming obligations to providers of commercial mobile radio services.

- 3—Common Carrier—Title: Access to Telecommunications Equipment and Services by Persons with Disabilities (CC Docket No. 87-124). Summary: The Commission will consider action on hearing aid compatibility requirements for wireline telephones.
- 4—Common Carrier—Title: Telephone Number Portability (CC Docket No. 95-116, RM-8535). Summary: The Commission will consider action concerning issues pertaining to the portability of telephone numbers. Additional information concerning this meeting may be obtained from Audrey Spivack or Susan Lewis Sallet, Office of Public Affairs, telephone number (202) 418-0500.

Copies of materials adopted at this meeting can be purchased from the FCC's duplicating contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc. at (202) 857-3800. Audio and Video Tapes of this meeting can be purchased from Telspan International at (301) 731-5355.

Dated June 20, 1996.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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Semiannual Report of Payment Accepted From Non-Federal Sources Under 31 U.S.C. 1353

For the Period Beginning October 1, 1995 Ending March 31, 1996 Summary Report

Reimbursement/In-Kind Payments in Excess of \$250

Total Number of Sponsored Events: 56.

Total Number of Sponsoring Organizations: 47.

Total Number of Different Commissioners/Employees Attending: 48.

Total Amount of Reimbursement Received:

	Check	In-kind
In excess of \$250:	\$20,726.16	\$67,270.30
Under \$250 (Detail not included):	319.62	426.00
Total	21,045.78	67,696.30

1. *Agency:* Federal Communications Commission.
2. *Employee:* Aileen A. Pisciotta.
Government Position: Chief, Planning & Negotiations Division, International Bureau.
3. *Event:* Conference "Latin American Telecoms Deregulation".
4. *Sponsor of Event:* America Economia.
5. *Sponsor Address:* Mr. Steve Carr, Rio Tiber 110 6th Floor, Cal Cuauhtemoc, C.P. 06500 Mexico D.F.
6. *Location of Event:* Mexico City, Mexico.
7. *Employee's Role:* Panelist.
8. *Dates of Event:* 11/21-22/94.
9. *Travel Dates:* 11/21-23/94.
10. (a)

Nature of Benefit.	(c) Type & amount of payment	
	Check	In kind
1. Roundtrip Transportation	\$446.45	.....
2. Hotel Room .....	.....	\$357.28
3. Meals	180.00	.....
4. Mileage, Parking & Taxi	59.00	.....
	685.45	357.28

- (b) *Non-Fed Source:* Same as No. 4.
1. *Agency:* Federal Communications Commission.
2. *Employee:* Michael S. Carowitz.
Government Position: Legal Advisor, Common Carrier Bureau.
3. *Event:* Eastern Conference & Expo.
4. *Sponsor of Event:* American Public Communications Council—APCC.
5. *Sponsor Address:* 10306 Eaton Place, Suite 520, Fairfax, VA 22030.
6. *Location of Event:* Nashville, Tennessee.
7. *Employee's Role:* Speaker.
8. *Dates of Event:* 10/25-27/95.
9. *Travel Dates:* 10/26-28/95.
10. (a)

Nature of Benefit	(c) Type & amount of payment	
	Check	In kind
1. Roundtrip Transportation	\$482.00
2. Hotel Room	300.84
3. Meals	48.71
4. Taxi	20.25
	851.80

- (b) *Non-Fed Source:* Same as No. 4.
1. *Agency:* Federal Communications Commission.
2. *Employee:* Susan Ness.
Government Position: Commissioner.

3. *Event:* Film Series "Women in the Public Sphere".
4. *Sponsor of Event:* Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania.
5. *Sponsor Address:* 3620 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104-6220.
6. *Location of Event:* Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
7. *Employee's Role:* Speaker.
8. *Dates of Event:* 01/26/95.
9. *Travel Dates:* 01/26/95.
10. (a)

Nature of Benefit	(c) Type & amount of payment	
	Check	In kind
1. Roundtrip Transportation	\$104.00	.....
2. Hotel Room .....	.....	.....
3. Meals	17.00	.....
4. Parking & Taxi	15.00	.....
	136.00	.....

- (b) *Non-Fed Source:* Same as No. 4.
1. *Agency:* Federal Communications Commission.
2. *Employee:* Roy J. Stewart.
Government Position: Chief, Mass Media Bureau.
3. *Event:* ABA Annual Convention.
4. *Sponsor of Event:* Arkansas Broadcasters Association—ABA.
5. *Sponsor Address:* 2024 Arkansas Valley Drive, Suite 201, Little Rock, AR 72212.
6. *Location of Event:* Hot Springs, Arkansas.
7. *Employee's Role:* Speaker.
8. *Dates of Event:* 08/13-15/95.
9. *Travel Dates:* 08/12-15/95.
10. (a)

Nature of benefit	(c) Type & amount of payment	
	Check	In Kind
1. Roundtrip Transportation	\$307.00	.....
2. Hotel Room .....	.....	\$290.00
3. Meals	82.50	.....
4. Taxi & Mileage	36.00	.....
	425.50	290.00

- (b) *Non-Fed Source:* Same as No. 4.
1. *Agency:* Federal Communications Commission.
2. *Employee:* John S. Morabito.
Government Position: Attorney Advisor, Common Carrier Bureau.
3. *Event:* AIC's Billing & Transaction Management for Broadband Networks.
4. *Sponsor of Event:* AIC Conferences.
5. *Sponsor Address:* 50 Broad Street, 19th Floor, New York, NY 10004.