

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To obtain a copy of the proposed Final Project Agreement, Fact Sheet, or Question and Answer Document, contact: Cheryl Atkinson, U.S. EPA, Region III, 841 Chestnut Street (3HW70), Philadelphia, PA 19107, or L. Nancy Birnbaum, U.S. EPA, 401 M Street, SW, Room 3134CY Mall (2129), Washington, DC 20460. The documents are also available via the Internet at the following location: "http://www.epa.gov/ProjectXL". In addition, public files on the Project are located at both the local Sistersville library and EPA Region III in Philadelphia. Questions to EPA regarding the documents can be directed to Cheryl Atkinson at (215) 566-3392 or L. Nancy Birnbaum at (202) 260-2601. To be included on the OSi Project XL mailing list to receive information about future public meetings, XL progress reports and other mailings from OSi on the XL Project, contact: Okey Tucker, OSi Specialties, Inc., Witco Corporation OrganoSilicones Group, 1500 South State Route 2, Friendly, WV 26146. Mr. Tucker can also be reached by telephone at (304) 652-8131. For information on all other aspects of the XL Program contact Christopher Knopes at the following address: Emerging Sectors and Strategies Division; United States Environmental Protection Agency; 3202 Mall; 401 M Street, SW; Mail Code 2129; Washington, DC 20460. The telephone number for the Division is (202) 260-5754. The facsimile number is (202) 401-6637. Additional information on Project XL, including documents referenced in this notice, other EPA policy documents related to Project XL, regional XL contacts, application information, and descriptions of existing XL projects and proposals, is available via the Internet at "http://www.epa.gov/ProjectXL" and via an automated fax-on-demand menu at (202) 260-8590.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Peer Review of Agency Research Plans

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces two workshops sponsored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Research and Development (ORD) to obtain scientific peer-review for two research plans, one entitled "Research Plan for Endocrine Disruptors" and the other entitled "Global Change Research Strategy."

DATES: The dates for the workshops are listed below. Members of the public may attend as observers. Due to limited space, seating at the meetings will be on a first-come first-serve basis.

Peer Review of Endocrine Disruptors Research Plan. The workshop will begin at 8 a.m. and end no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 8, 1997, and begin at 9 a.m. and end no earlier than 1 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 1997.

Peer Review of Global Change Research Strategy. The workshop will begin at 8 a.m. and end no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, July 23, 1997, and begin at 8:30 a.m. and end no earlier than 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Both peer reviews will be held at the Carlton Hotel, 923 16th Street, Washington, DC Eastern Research Group, Inc., an EPA contractor, is providing logistical support for the workshop. To attend the workshop as an observer, contact Eastern Research Group, Inc., Tel: (617) 674-7374. Space is limited so please register early.

AVAILABILITY OF REVIEW MATERIALS: An electronic version of each research strategy is accessible on EPA's Office of Research and Development home page on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/ORD/resplans>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Endocrine Disruptors Research Plan Peer Review—Dr. Robert Kavlock, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (MD-71), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541-2771. Global Change Research Strategy Peer Review—Mr. Thomas Barnwell, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (MD-75), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541-2106.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Endocrine Disruptors Research Plan was developed to provide a roadmap for the EPA's Office of Research and Development research program on endocrine disruptors. It is intended to provide guidance to both the intramural research program and the extramural grants program in terms of research priorities and the pacing of the research programs over the next five years. The plan recognizes that considerable research in this area is funded by several federal agencies and seeks to

emphasize those areas where EPA can make a substantive and meaningful contribution. The plan has been circulated through the CENR (Committee on the Environment and National Resources) Working Group on Endocrine Disruptors that is coordinating efforts across the federal government.

Briefly, the plan addresses research needs in the areas of biological effects (both for human health and wildlife) and exposure assessment. Importantly, it also contains a "linkage" section that strives to integrate effects and exposure research to provide a more complete analysis of the risks than has generally been done in the past for endocrine disruptors. Specific projects will be chosen for funding following peer review of proposals submitted under targeted Requests for Applications (RFAs) during each budget year. These RFAs will be based on the overall strategy, and fine tuned each year to ensure the appropriate balance and mix of research, given progress achieved in prior years.

The Global Change Research Strategy is focused on the resolution of issues resulting from the recent Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report suggesting the potential for serious ecological and health effects due to global change, and on addressing priorities established in the overall federal research program. The strategic foci of ORD's global change research program are: identification and evaluation of (1) regional ecological vulnerabilities (including associated human health impacts) to temperature and hydrologic changes associated with predicted changes in climate; and (2) adaptation strategies and cost-effective technologies to prevent or control greenhouse gas emissions.

ORD's first major focus is to provide a stronger scientific basis for understanding, predicting and assessing the causes and impacts of changes in terrestrial, aquatic and coastal ecosystems resulting from human-induced and natural stressors. ORD's second major focus is to implement a variety of emission reduction and adaptation measures to implement a variety of emission reduction. Due to uncertainties about the significance of impacts and the wide variety of emission sources, an array of options will be needed. The strategy document describes the research areas and planned direction for the ORD program over the next 3 to 5 years.

Dated June 23, 1997.

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Clean Air Act Advisory Committee

ACTION: Clean Air Act Advisory
Committee; Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC) on November 19, 1990 to provide independent advice and counsel to EPA on policy issues associated with implementation of the Clean Air Act of 1990. The Committee advises on economic, environmental, technical, scientific, and enforcement policy issues.

OPEN MEETING NOTICE: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. App. 2 Section 10(a)(2), notice is hereby given that the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee will hold its next open meeting on Thursday, August 7, 1997 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Georgetown University Conference Center, 3800 Reservoir Road, NW., Washington, DC. Seating will be available on a first come, first served basis. The Permits/NSR/Toxics Integration Subcommittee, the Economic Incentives and Regulatory Innovations Subcommittee, the Linking Transportation and Air Quality Concerns Subcommittee and the Climate Change Subcommittee will conduct Meetings on Wednesday, August 6, 1997, from approximately 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Subcommittee meeting times may change at the discretion of the co-chairs.

INSPECTION OF COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS: The committee agenda and any documents prepared for the meeting will be publicly available at the meeting. Thereafter, these documents, together with CAAAC meeting minutes, will be available by contacting Committee DFO Paul Rasmussen at (202) 260-6877.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Concerning this meeting of the CAAAC, please contact Paul Rasmussen, Office of Air and Radiation, US EPA (202) 260-6877, Fax (202) 260-4185, or by mail at US EPA, Office of Air and Radiation (Mail Code 6102), Washington, DC 20460. If you would like to receive an agenda for the CAAAC meeting, please leave your

fax number on Mr. Rasmussen's voice mail and it will be forwarded to you.

Dated: June 18, 1997.

Mary D. Nichols,

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Radiation.*

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Microbial and Disinfectants/ Disinfection Byproducts Advisory Committee; Notice of Open Meeting

Under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Microbial and Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts MD/DBP Advisory Committee will be held on July 15, 1997 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the office of Resolve, Inc., located at 1255 23rd St., NW., Suite 275, Washington DC 20037. The Committee was established earlier this year (on February 21, 1997, at 62 FR 8012) to assist the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the development of regulations, guidance and policies to address microorganisms and disinfectants/disinfection by-products in drinking water.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss issues related to the development of an Interim Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule (IESWTR) and a Stage 1 Disinfectants/Disinfection Byproducts (D/DBP) Rule. The agenda for the meeting will include discussion on the agreement in principle document which was drafted by Committee members at the previous meeting in June (**Federal Register** /Vol. 62, No. 93/ Wednesday, May 14, 1997), for purposes of signature. The agreement-in-principle document includes recommendations on 9 key issues (i.e., Maximum Contaminant Levels for Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs), Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) and bromate; enhanced coagulation; microbial benchmarking/profiling; disinfection credit; turbidity; a Maximum Contaminant Level Goal for Cryptosporidium; removal of Cryptosporidium; multiple barrier concept for Cryptosporidium for the Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule; and sanitary surveys. The Committee will also review EPA's working draft of a Notice of Data Availability for the rules, which the Agency plans to publish in the Federal Register this fall, and discuss next steps.

The meeting will be open to the public. Members of the public may attend the meeting, make oral statements at the meeting to the extent time permits and/or file written statements with the Committee for its consideration.

Members of the public who would like more information or who would like to present an oral statement or submit a written statement are requested to contact the Committee's Designated Federal Officer, Steve Potts, at the Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, U.S. EPA, mail Code 4607, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20460. Mr. Potts may also be reached by telephone at (202) 260-5015 or contacted by e-mail at Potts.Steve@EPAMAIL.EPA.GOV.

Dated: June 24, 1997.

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*Acting Director, Office of Ground Water and
Drinking Water.*

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Science Advisory Board, Emergency Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting; June 30-July 3, 1997

On June 12, 1997, the Science Advisory Board announced that its Environmental Engineering Committee (EEC) would conduct a public meeting from Monday June 30, 1997 through Thursday July 3, 1997. That notice contained an incorrect fax number for obtaining copies of the review documents for the TRI Relative Risk-Based Environmental Indicators Project. The correct information follows.

Copies of the reference documents supporting this review can be obtained from the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, Room B-607, Northeast Mall, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20460, 12 noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays. Requests for documents should be sent in writing to fax number (202) 260-5069 or E-mail to oppt.ncic@epamail.epa.gov. Refer to Administrative Record Number AR181. Documents available are: (1) Toxics Release Inventory Relative Risk-Based Environmental Indicators Methodology (203 pages); (2) Toxics Release Inventory Relative Risk-Based Environmental Indicators Project: Interim Toxicity Weighting Summary Document (230 pages); and (3) Toxics Release Inventory Relative Risk-Based