

sample of Gulf War veterans participating in the Department of Veterans Affairs Gulf War Registry; and (2) a cohort of Air Force members from a previous CDC study of Gulf War veterans and Gulf War-era controls from Pennsylvania and Florida. In addition to assessing data-driven case definitions for illness among Gulf War veterans,

existing definitions for medically unexplained symptoms, such as chronic fatigue syndrome, multiple chemical sensitivity, and fibromyalgia will be evaluated. Phase II will attempt to assess the generalizability of both derived and existing case definitions in a random sample of deployed and non-deployed Gulf War era veterans. Phase

III will consist of a standardized telephone interview for the assessment of psychiatric conditions. This will be administered to a sample of Phase I and Phase II participants who are identified through their responses to paper-and-pencil questionnaires as having high levels of psychological distress. There is no cost to respondents.

Respondents	No. of Respondents	No. of Responses/ Respondent	Avg. Burden/ Response (in hrs.)	Total Burden (in hrs.)
Administer questionnaire to the New Jersey Center for Environmental Hazards Research sample of the Department of Veterans Affairs Gulf War Registry veterans and the previous CDC Air Force Cohort (Phase)	7,312	1	0.45	5,484
Administer questionnaire to new random sample of Gulf War veterans and era controls (Phase II)	3,000	1	.45	2,250
Telephone survey of Phase I and Phase II participants who screened positive for psychiatric conditions	600	1	2	1,200
Total				8,934

Dated: November 13, 1997.

Wilma G. Johnson,

Acting Associate Director for Policy Planning and Evaluation, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

[FR Doc. 97-30477 Filed 11-19-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4163-18-P

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Citizens Advisory Committee on Public Health Service (PHS) Activities and Research at Department of Energy (DOE) Sites: Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory Health Effects Subcommittee; Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announce the following meeting.

Name: Citizens Advisory Committee on PHS Activities and Research at DOE Sites: Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory (INEEL) Health Effects Subcommittee.

Times and Dates: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., December 11, 1997, 7 p.m.-9 p.m., December 11, 1997, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., December 12, 1997.

Place: Holiday Inn Westbank, 475 River Parkway, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402, telephone 208/523-8000, FAX 208/529-9610.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50 people.

Background

Under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in December 1990 with DOE and replaced by an MOU signed in 1996, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) was given the responsibility and resources for conducting analytic epidemiologic investigations of residents of communities in the vicinity of DOE facilities, workers at DOE facilities, and other persons potentially exposed to radiation or to potential hazards from non-nuclear energy production use. HHS delegated program responsibility to CDC.

In addition, an MOU was signed in October 1990 and renewed in November 1992 between ATSDR and DOE. The MOU delineates the responsibilities and procedures for ATSDR's public health activities at DOE sites required under sections 104, 105, 107, and 120 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund"). These activities include health consultations and public health assessments at DOE sites listed on, or proposed for, the Superfund National Priorities List and at sites that are the subject of petitions from the public; and other health-related activities such as epidemiologic studies, health surveillance, exposure and disease registries, health education, substance-specific applied research,

emergency response, and preparation of toxicological profiles.

Purpose: This subcommittee is charged with providing advice and recommendations to the Director, CDC, and the Administrator, ATSDR, regarding community, American Indian Tribes, and labor concerns pertaining to CDC's and ATSDR's public health activities and research at this DOE site. The purpose of this meeting is to provide a forum for community, American Indian Tribal, and labor interaction and serve as a vehicle for community concern to be expressed as advice and recommendations to CDC and ATSDR.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items include presentations from the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) regarding current activities, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health and ATSDR will provide updates on the progress of current studies, and working group discussions. On December 11, at 7 p.m., the meeting will continue in order to allow more time for public input and comment.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

CONTACT PERSONS FOR MORE INFORMATION: Arthur J. Robinson, Jr., or Sharona Woodley, Radiation Studies Branch, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, NCEH, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, (F-35), Atlanta, Georgia 30341-3724, telephone 770/488-7040, FAX 770/488-7044.

Dated: November 13, 1997.

Carolyn J. Russell,

Director, Management Analysis and Services Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

[FR Doc. 97-30475 Filed 11-19-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4163-18-P

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Advisory Committee for Energy-Related Epidemiologic Research; Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the following committee meeting.

Name: Advisory Committee for Energy-Related Epidemiologic Research.

Times and Dates: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., December 8, 1997; 9 a.m.-12 noon, December 9, 1997.

Place: Hyatt Regency Crystal City, 2799 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202, telephone 703/418-1234, FAX 703/418-1289.

Status: Open to the public, limited only by the space available. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50 people.

Purpose: This committee is charged with providing advice and recommendations to the Secretary; the Assistant Secretary for Health; the Director, CDC; and the Administrator, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), on establishment of a research agenda and the conduct of a research program pertaining to energy-related analytic epidemiologic studies.

Matters to be Discussed: Agenda items will include: presentations from the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH), the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, and ATSDR updates on the progress of current studies; a discussion of Work Group recommendations, and public involvement activities.

Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Michael J. Sage, Deputy Chief, Radiation Studies Branch, Division of Environmental Hazards and Health Effects, NCEH, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, (F-35), Atlanta, Georgia 30341-3724, telephone 770/488-7040, FAX 770/488-7044.

Dated: November 13, 1997.

Carolyn J. Russell,

Director, Management Analysis and Services Office Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

[FR Doc. 97-30476 Filed 11-19-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4163-18-P

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

The National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); Cancellation of Meeting

This notice announces the cancellation of a previously announced meeting: Workshop on Screening and Tracking Systems for Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI).

Federal Register Notice Citation of Previous Announcement: FR Doc. 170c97-115. Published October 17, 1997 (Volume 62, Number 200, Page 54116).

Previously Announced Times and Dates: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. December 11, 1997. 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. December 12, 1997.

Change in the Meeting: This meeting has been canceled.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: June Holstrum, Ph.D., Division of Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, CDC, NCEH, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, M/S F-15, Atlanta, Georgia 30341. E-mail ehdi@cdc.gov, telephone 770/488-7401, fax 770/488-7361.

Dated: November 13, 1997.

Carolyn J. Russell,

Director, Management Analysis and Services Office Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

[FR Doc. 97-30480 Filed 11-19-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4163-18-P

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 97F-0428]

Amoco Corp.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Amoco Corp. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to include dimethyl-2,6-naphthalene dicarboxylate and 2,6-naphthalene dicarboxylic acid as polybasic acids intended for use as components of resinous and polymeric coatings that contact food.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark A. Hepp, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-215), Food

and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3098.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 7B4555) has been filed by Amoco Corp., One Prudential Plaza, 130 East Randolph St., Chicago, IL 60601-6207. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in § 175.300 *Resinous and polymeric coatings* (21 CFR 175.300) to include dimethyl-2,6-naphthalene dicarboxylate and 2,6-naphthalene dicarboxylic acid as polybasic acids intended for use as components of resinous and polymeric coatings that contact food.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(i) and (j) that this action is of a type that does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

Dated: October 21, 1997.

Alan M. Rulis,

Director, Office of Premarket Approval, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition.

[FR Doc. 97-30481 Filed 11-19-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4160-01-F

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food And Drug Administration

[Docket No. 97F-0469]

General Electric Co.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that General Electric Co. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the expanded safe use of phosphorous acid, cyclic butylethyl propanediol, 2,4,6-tri-tert-butylphenyl ester, which may contain up to 1 percent by weight of triisopropanolamine, as an antioxidant and/or stabilizer in high density polyethylene and high density olefin copolymers intended for use in contact with food.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vir D. Anand, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-216), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3081.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act