

reduction issues of common interest and to exchange ideas on risk reduction techniques. Further, the meetings will serve as an introduction to PESP for organizations considering membership and for other parties interested in pesticide risk reduction.

DATES: The meeting will be held on May 6 and 7, 1998, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting on May 6 will be held at U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service, Center for Medical, Agricultural and Veterinary Entomology, 1600 SW 23rd Drive, Gainesville, FL. The meeting on May 7 will be held at the Radisson Hotel, 2900 SW 13th St., Gainesville, FL.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Frank W. Ellis, Jr., Office of Pesticide Programs (7511W), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: 5th floor, 2800 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA, 703-308-8107; e-mail: ellis.frank@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Pesticide Environmental Stewardship Program (PESP) is a voluntary partnership between the pesticide user community and EPA. Begun in 1994 with 23 charter partners, PESP has grown to include 85 partners encompassing interests as diverse as almond growers in California, villages in the Northeast and utility rights-of-way managers throughout the country and 16 supporters encompassing interests as diverse as major food processors and stormwater management agencies. Partner organizations represent pesticide users; supporter organizations influence pesticide use or have an interest in pesticide issues.

In 1996, a National PESP Workshop was held in the Washington, DC area. At that workshop, many participants suggested that regional workshops be held to provide for more one-on-one contact between members in smaller groups. These workshops are in response to that request. The Agency anticipates holding additional regional workshops in the future.

The May 6 meeting will concentrate on residential and commercial pest control operators and their specific pesticide risk reduction needs. This session will include demonstrations of new pest control technologies being developed at the Agricultural Research Service facility. The May 7 meeting will include both agricultural and non-agricultural participants in PESP. Topics to be discussed on the second day include the development and implementation of risk reduction

strategies and the PESP grant process. There will be time for open discussion among the participants.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: March 26, 1998.

Janet L. Andersen,

Director, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, April 21, 1998 at 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Time).

PLACE: Conference Room on the Ninth Floor of the EEOC Office Building, 1801 "L" Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20507.

STATUS: Part of the meeting will be open to the public and part of the meeting will be closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Open Session

1. Announcement of Notation Votes, and
2. Priority Charge Handling Task Force, Litigation Task Force Report.

Closed Session

Litigation Authorization: General Counsel Recommendations.

Note: Any matter not discussed or concluded may be carried over to a later meeting. (In addition to publishing notices on EEOC Commission meetings in the **Federal Register**, the Commission also provides a recorded announcement a full week in advance on future Commission sessions.) Please telephone (202) 663-7100 (voice) and (202) 663-4074 (TTD) at any time for information on these meetings. Contact Person for More Information: Frances M. Hart, Executive Officer on (202) 663-4070.

Dated: April 7, 1998.

This Notice issued April 7, 1998.

Frances M. Hart,

Executive Officer, Executive Secretariat.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Office of National Drug Control Policy

Designation of High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas

AGENCY: Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice lists three (3) new High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas designated by the Director of National Drug Control Policy.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Comments and questions regarding this notice should be directed to Mr. Richard Y. Yamamoto, Director, HIDTA, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, Washington, D.C. 20503; 202-395-6755.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1990, the Director of ONDCP designated the first five HDTAs. These original HDTAs, areas through which most illegal drugs enter the United States, are the Southwest Border, Houston, Los Angeles, New York/New Jersey, and South Florida. In 1994, the Director designated the Washington/Baltimore HIDTA to address the extensive drug distribution networks serving hardcore drug users. Also in 1994, the Director designated Puerto Rico/U.S. Virgin Islands as a HIDTA based on the significant amount of drugs entering the United States through this region. In 1995, the Director designated three more HDTAs in Atlanta, Chicago, and Philadelphia/Camden to target drug abuse and drug trafficking in those areas.

HDTAs are domestic regions identified as having the most critical drug trafficking problems that adversely affect the United States. These new counties are designated pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 1504(c), as amended, to promote more effective coordination of drug control efforts. This action will support local, state and federal law enforcement officers in assessing regional drug threats, designing strategies to combat the threats, developing initiatives to implement the strategies, and evaluation of the effectiveness of these coordinated efforts.

HDTAs support over 250 co-located officer/agent task forces in twenty regions of the country, including the entire Southwest Border. The HIDTA program strengthens mutually supporting local, state, and federal drug trafficking and money laundering task forces, bolsters information analysis and sharing networks and, improves

integration of law enforcement, drug treatment and drug abuse prevention programs.

Seven new HDTAs were designated in 1997. They are: the Detroit, Michigan HDTA, the Gulf Coast HDTA (includes parts of Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi); the Lake County, Indiana HDTA, the Midwest HDTA (includes parts of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, and South Dakota, with focus on methamphetamine); the Northwest HDTA (includes seven counties of Washington State); the Rocky Mountain HDTA (includes parts of Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming) and the San Francisco Bay Area HDTA.

The states and counties included in the three new HDTAs are:

(1) Milwaukee, Wisconsin—The Milwaukee HDTA currently consists of the county of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

(2) The Appalachia HDTA—The Appalachia HDTA currently consists of the following twenty-six (26) Kentucky counties: Adair, Bell, Breathitt, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Floyd, Harlan, Jackson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lee, Leslie, McCreary, Magoffin, Marion, Monroe, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Taylor, Wayne, Whitley; the following eleven (11) West Virginia counties: Boone, Braxton, Cabell, Gilmer, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Mason, McDowell, Mingo and Wayne; and the following twenty-eight (28) Tennessee counties: Bledsoe, Campbell, Claiborne, Clay, Cocke, Cumberland, Fentress, Franklin, Grainger, Greene, Grundy, Hamblen, Hancock, Hawkins, Jackson, Jefferson, Macon, Marion, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, Rhea, Scott, Sequatchie, Sevier, Unicoi, Van Buren and White.

(3) Central Florida HDTA—The Central Florida HDTA consists of seven (7) Florida counties: Hillsborough, Orange, Osceola, Pinellas, Polk, Seminole, Volusia.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 27th day of February, 1998.

Barry R. McCaffrey,
Director.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission
DATE & TIME: Tuesday, April 14, 1998 at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, DC.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g, § 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C.

Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration.

Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

DATE & TIME: Thursday, April 16, 1998 at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, DC (ninth floor).

STATUS: This meeting will be open to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Correction and Approval of Minutes.
Future Meeting Dates.

Advisory Opinion 1997-21: (Reconsideration). Firebaugh for Congress Committee by counsel, Judith Corley.

Advisory Opinion 1997-24: The Corporation for the Advancement of Psychiatry and CAP Political Action Committee, by the CAPPAC treasurer, Gerald H. Flamm, M.D. (continued from meeting of March 12, 1998).

Advisory Opinion 1998-04: White Oak Technologies, Inc. by Alan J. Broder, President.

Audit: San Diego Host Committee/Sail to Victory '96 (continued from meeting of March 5, 1998).

Audit: Committee on Arrangements for the 1996 Republican National Convention (continued from meeting of March 5, 1998).

Administrative Matters.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:
Mr. Ron Harris, Press Officer,
Telephone: (202) 219-4155.

Marjorie W. Emmons,

Secretary of the Commission.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Freight Forwarder License; Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission applications for licenses as ocean freight forwarders pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR 510).

Persons knowing of any reason why any of the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Freight Forwarders, Federal Maritime Commission,

Washington, D.C. 20573. Puget Sound International, Inc., 3205 Port of Tacoma Road, Tacoma, WA 98421, Officers: Gina Lyons, President, William L. Lageman, Vice President.

Dated: April 3, 1998.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

ACTION: Notice

BACKGROUND: On June 15, 1984, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delegated to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) its approval authority under the Paperwork Reduction Act, as per 5 CFR 1320.16, to approve of and assign OMB control numbers to collection of information requests and requirements conducted or sponsored by the Board under conditions set forth in 5 CFR 1320 Appendix A.1. The Federal Reserve may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Board-approved collections of information will be incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. A copy of the OMB 83-I and supporting statement and the approved collection of information instrument will be placed into OMB's public docket files. The following information collection, which is being handled under this delegated authority, has received initial Board approval and is hereby published for comment. At the end of the comment period, the proposed information collection, along with an analysis of comments and recommendations received, will be submitted to the Board for final approval under OMB delegated authority. Comments are invited on the following:

a. Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the Federal Reserve's functions; including whether the information has practical utility;

b. The accuracy of the Federal Reserve's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection,