

areas of research interest, eligibility and submission requirements, evaluation criteria, and implementation schedules are set forth. Grants will be competitively awarded following peer review.

DATES: Receipt dates vary depending on the specific research area within the solicitation and are listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Center for Environmental Research and Quality Assurance (8703R), 401 M Street SW, Washington DC 20460, telephone (800) 490-9194. The complete announcements can be accessed on the Internet from the EPA home page: <http://www.epa.gov/ncerqa> under "announcements."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In its Requests for Applications (RFA) the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites research grant applications in the following areas of special interest to its mission: (1) Integrated Assessment of the Consequences of Climate Change, (2) Ecological Indicators, (3) Regional Scale Analysis and Assessment, (4) Urban Air Toxics, (5) Mercury: Transport and Fate through a Watershed; and (6) Decision-making and Valuation for Environmental Policy (in cooperation with the National Science Foundation). Applications must be received as follows: January 21, 1999, for topics (1) and (3); February 1, 1999, for topic (6); February 4, 1999, for topics (2) and (5); and February 18, 1999, for topic (4).

The RFAs provide relevant background information, summarize EPA's interest in the topic areas, and describe the application and review process.

Contact person for the (1) Integrated Assessment of the Consequences of Climate Change, (2) Ecological Indicators, (3) Regional Scale Analysis and Assessment, and (5) Mercury: Transport and Fate through a Watershed RFAs is Barbara Levinson (levinson.barbara@epamail.epa.gov), telephone 202-564-6911; contact person for the (4) Urban Air Toxics RFA is Deran Pashayan (pashayan.deran@epamail.epa.gov), telephone 202-564-6913; and contact persons for the (6) Decision-making and Valuation for Environmental Policy RFA is Alan Carlin (carlin.alan@epamail.epa.gov), telephone 202-260-5732, and Rachelle Hollander (rholland@nsf.gov), telephone 703-306-1743 (voice) or 703-306-0485 (FAX).

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Assistant Administrator for Research and Development.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Common Sense Initiative Council (CSIC)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notification of Public Advisory CSI Computers and Electronics Sector, Printing Sector, Petroleum Refining Sector, and Metal Finishing Sector Subcommittee Meetings: Open Meetings.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Computers and Electronics Sector, the Printing Sector, Petroleum Sector and Metal Finishing Sector Subcommittees will meet on the dates and times described below. All meetings are open to the public. Seating at the meetings will be a first-come basis and limited time will be provided for public comment. For further information concerning specific meetings, please contact the individuals listed with the announcements below.

(1) Computers and Electronics Sector Subcommittee Meeting—December 2-3, 1998

Notice is hereby given that the final meeting of the Computers and Electronics Sector Subcommittee will be held in Austin, Texas, on December 2, 1998 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST and December 3 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. CST at the Embassy Suites Hotel-Downtown, 300 South Congress Avenue. The Subcommittee's workgroups (Reporting and Information Access; Overcoming Barriers to Pollution Prevention, Product Stewardship, and Recycling; and Alternative Strategies for Environmental Protection) will meet from approximately 9:15 a.m. until 11:45 a.m. on December 2. The full Subcommittee will convene for the remainder of the meeting. The agenda will include final reports by each of the workgroups and review of proposed recommendations to the Agency on (1) coordination of worker health and environmental protection activities among NIOSH, EPA and OSHA, and (2) actions EPA should take to facilitate constructive engagement among stakeholders on

environmental protection. The agenda will also include a discussion of the final report of the Subcommittee and a discussion of the October 15, 1998 meeting of the Common Sense Initiative Council. Opportunity for public comment on major issues will be provided at intervals throughout the meeting.

For further information concerning the meeting of the Computers and Electronics Sector Subcommittee meeting, please contact John J. Bowser, Acting DFO, U.S. EPA on (202) 260-1771, by fax on (202) 260-1096, by e-mail at bowser.john@epamail.epa.gov, or by mail at U.S. EPA (MC 7405), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460; Mark Mahoney, U.S. EPA Region 1 on (617) 565-1155; or David Jones, U.S. EPA Region 9 on (415) 744-2266.

(2) Printing Sector Subcommittee Meeting—December 3-4, 1998

Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency will hold an open meeting of the CSI Printing Sector Subcommittee on December 3-4, 1998. The meeting will be held on December 3 from 9 a.m. EST until 5:30 p.m. EST and on December 4 from 8:30 a.m. EST until 4 p.m. EST. The meeting will be held at the Governor's House Hotel located at 1615 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, in Washington, DC.

The purpose of the meeting will be to approve the final report on the New York City Education Project and to finalize and approve the design of the PrintSTEP project. A formal agenda will be available at the meeting.

For further information concerning meeting times and agenda of this Printing Sector Subcommittee meeting, please contact Gina Bushong, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), at EPA by telephone on (202) 564-2242 in Washington, DC, by fax on (202) 564-0009, or by E-mail at bushong.gina@epa.gov.

(3) Petroleum Refining Sector Subcommittee Meeting—December 10-11, 1998

Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency will hold an open meeting of the Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Petroleum Refining Sector Subcommittee on December 10-11, 1998, at the Renaissance Houston Hotel, 6 Greenway Plaza East, Houston, TX 77046. The hotel telephone number is 713-629-1200. The Equipment Leaks Workgroup and Refinery Air Information Reporting System (RAIRS) Workgroup meetings will be held concurrently on Thursday, December 10 from 9 a.m. CST to 12

noon CST. After a break for lunch, the Accidental Release Information Workgroup will meet from 1:30 p.m. CST to 4:30 p.m. CST. The full Petroleum Refining Sector Subcommittee will meet from 9 a.m. CST to 4 p.m. CST on Friday, December 11, 1998.

The preliminary agenda for the Subcommittee meeting includes comments on the transition of CSI to National Advisory Council on Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT), and the Equipment Leaks Project Report. There will also be reports of the Accidental Release Information Project, the RAIRS Project, and the Equipment Leaks Project. A public comment period will also be provided.

For further information concerning this meeting of the Petroleum Refining Sector Subcommittee, please contact either Craig Weeks, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), at US EPA Region 6 (6EN), 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, TX 75202-2733, by telephone at 214-665-7505 or E-mail at weeks.craig@epamail.epa.gov or Steve Souders, Alternate DFO, at US EPA by mail (5306W), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, by telephone at 703-308-8431 or E-mail at souders.steve@epamail.epa.gov.

Metal Finishing Sector Subcommittee—December 15-16, 1998

Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency will hold an open meeting of the CSI Metal Finishing Sector Subcommittee on December 15-16, 1998, at the Crowne Plaza Redondo Beach and Marina Hotel, 300 North Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach, CA 90277-2552. The telephone number to the hotel is 310-318-8888 or 1-800-368-9760. On Tuesday, December 15, 1998, the meeting will take place from 8:30 a.m. PST to 5 p.m. PST. The meeting will run from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, December 16, 1998. The Subcommittee meeting will focus on implementation of the Metal Finishing Sector's Strategic Goals Program. A formal agenda will be available at the meeting.

For further information concerning meeting times and agenda of the Metal Finishing Sector Subcommittee, please contact Bob Benson, DFO, at EPA by telephone on (202) 260-8668 in Washington, DC, by fax on (202) 260-8662, or by e-mail at benson.robert@epa.gov.

Inspection of Subcommittee Documents

Documents relating to the above topics will be publicly available at the meeting. Thereafter, these documents

and the minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection in room 3802M of EPA Headquarters, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, telephone number 202-260-7417. Common Sense Initiative information can be accessed electronically on our web site at <http://www.epa.gov/commonsense>.

Kathleen Bailey,

Designated Federal Officer.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Public Meeting of the National Environmental Education Advisory Council

Notice is hereby given that the National Environmental Education Advisory Council, established under section 9 of the National Environmental Education Act of 1990 (the Act), will hold a public meeting on December 10 and 11, 1998. The meeting will take place at the River Inn, 924 Twenty-Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, December 10 and Friday, December 11. The purpose of this meeting is to provide the Council with an opportunity to advise EPA's Office of Communications, Education and Media Relations (OCEMR) and the Office of Environmental Education (OEE) on its implementation of the Act. Members of the public are invited to attend and to submit written comments to EPA following the meeting.

For additional information regarding the Council's upcoming meeting, please contact Ginger Keho, Office of Environmental Education (1704), Office of Communications, Education and Media Relations, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460 or call (202) 260-4129.

Dated: November 9, 1998.

Ginger Keho,

Designated Federal Official, National Environmental Education Advisory Council.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Dow AgroSciences, LLC.; Approval of Pesticide Product Registrations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces Agency approval of applications to conditionally register the pesticide products Starane F Technical and Starane EC containing a new active ingredient not included in any previously registered products pursuant to the provisions of section 3(c)(7)(C) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Joanne I. Miller, Product Manager (PM) 23, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 237, CM #2, Environmental Protection Agency, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Arlington, VA 22202, 703-305-6224; e-mail: miller.joanne@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability: Electronic copies of this document and the Fact Sheet are available from the EPA home page at the **Federal Register** Environmental Sub-Set entry for this document under "Laws and Regulations" (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>).

EPA received applications from Dow AgroSciences, LLC, 9330 Zionsville Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268, to conditionally register the pesticide products Starane F Technical and Starane EC (EPA File Symbols 62719-EIL and 62719-EIA), containing the active ingredient fluroxyppyr 1-methylheptyl (4-amino-3,5-dichloro-6-fluoro-2-pyridyloxy)acetate at 98% and 26.2% respectively, an active ingredient not included in any previously registered pesticide products. However, since the notice of receipt of these applications to register the products as required by section 3(c)(4) of FIFRA, as amended did not publish in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice for these products. Comments and data may also be submitted electronically to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be sent through e-mail.

The applications were approved on September 30, 1998, for the following products: