

January 20, 2000. The purpose of this meeting is to review air quality needs within the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic States, including reduction of motor vehicle and stationary source air pollution. The OTC is also expected to address issues related to the transport of ozone into its region, including actions by EPA under sections 110 and 126 of the Clean Air Act, to evaluate the potential for additional emission reductions through new motor vehicle emission standards, and to discuss market-based programs to reduce pollutants that cause ozone.

Dated: January 5, 2000.

**Bradley M. Campbell,**

*Regional Administrator, Region III.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6521-9]

### Science Advisory Board, Environmental Engineering Committee; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meetings

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Environmental Engineering Committee (and its Subcommittees) of the USEPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) will hold two conference calls and two face-to-face meetings on the dates and times noted below. All times noted are Eastern Time. All meetings are open to the public, however, seating is limited and available on a first come basis.

**Important notice:** Documents that are the subject of SAB reviews are normally available from the originating EPA office and are not available from the SAB Office unless otherwise noted; information concerning availability of documents from the relevant Program Office is included below.

#### 1. Natural Attenuation Research Subcommittee—Teleconference Meetings on January 26 and February 24

The Natural Attenuation Research Subcommittee of the Science Advisory Board's (SAB) Environmental Engineering Committee (EEC) will conduct public teleconference meetings Wednesday January 26, 2000 and Thursday February 24, 2000 between the hours of 3 p.m.-5 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time). The meetings will be coordinated through a conference call connection in Room 6450V in the USEPA, Ariel Rios Building North, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004. The Ariel Rios Building is

adjacent to the escalator to the Federal Triangle Metro Station on 12th Street NW. The public is encouraged to attend the meetings in the conference room noted above, however, the public may also attend through a telephonic link. Additional instructions about how to participate in either conference call can be obtained by calling Ms. Mary Winston approximately a week prior to each meeting (by January 19 or February 17, respectively) at (202) 564-4538, or via e-mail at <winston.mary@epa.gov>.

#### Purpose of the Meetings

At the January 26th conference call meeting, the Subcommittee intends to refine the charge for its review of EPA's natural attenuation research. At the February 24th conference call meeting, the Subcommittee intends to hear preliminary reactions of individual reviewers to the written materials and to clarify the agenda for a face-to-face review meeting in March (as announced below).

#### Availability of Review Materials

The review materials include background information such as the Directive on Natural Attenuation (<http://www.epa.gov/swrust1/directiv/d9200417.pdf>); the Waste Research Strategy (<http://www.epa.gov/ORD/WebPubs/final/wastepub.pdf>); a list of publications based on the completed research; project descriptions for ongoing research; and a description of planned research not yet underway. Where an electronic version of a document is available, the website has been noted. A limited number of paper copies of these documents can be obtained from Dr. Stephen Schmelling at e-mail: <schmelling.steve@epa.gov> or via phone at (580) 436-8540.

#### 2. Technology Evaluation Subcommittee Meeting on February 23-25

The Technology Evaluation Subcommittee of the Science Advisory Board's Environmental Engineering Committee will meet Wednesday through Friday, February 23-25, 2000 in Conference Room 6530, USEPA, Ariel Rios Building North, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004 (adjacent to the escalator to the Federal Triangle Metro Station on 12th Street NW). The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday and end no later than 4 p.m. on Friday.

#### Purpose of the Meeting

The Subcommittee will review the implementation of quality management in the Environmental Technology Verification (ETV) program.

#### Availability of Review Materials

The review materials include a brief program description, the ETV Quality Management Plan, several pilot study protocols and selected final reports. The general program description is available from Ms. Penny Hansen (via e-mail at: <hansen.penny@epa.gov> or phone at (202) 564-3212). A limited number of paper copies of the other documents will be available from Ms. Hansen as well. If available, electronic versions of these other documents will also be made available on the SAB Website (<http://www.epa.gov>) approximately three weeks prior to the meeting. The Subcommittee is likely to reference the following Agency quality management documents: EPA Quality System Overview (G-0); Guidance for the Data Quality Objectives Process—Final 9/94 (G-4); and G-5: Guidance on Quality Assurance Project Plans—Final 2/98 (G-5). These documents are available through the following website: [http://es.epa.gov/ncerqa/qa/qa\\_docs.html](http://es.epa.gov/ncerqa/qa/qa_docs.html), or in hard copy from Ms. Hansen.

#### 3. Environmental Engineering Committee Meeting on March 6-10

The Environmental Engineering Committee of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) will meet Monday through Friday, March 6-10, 2000 in conference room 6530, USEPA, Ariel Rios Building North, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004 (adjacent to the escalator to the Federal Triangle Metro Station on 12th Street NW). The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Monday and end no later than 4 p.m. on Friday.

**Note:** Members of the public wishing to provide substantive comments are encouraged to provide them in writing well in advance of the March meeting; details about providing public comment appear below.

#### Purpose of the Meeting

(a) The EEC's Natural Attenuation Subcommittee will review EPA's natural attenuation research (much of this activity is planned for Monday through Wednesday, March 6-8); (b) the Technology Evaluation Subcommittee will report on its review of Implementation of Quality Management in the Environmental Technology Verification Program; (c) the Committee will review responses to FY1998 and FY1999 reports and discuss potential FY2000 activities; (d) the Committee will consider the progress of initiatives on measures of technology performance, sediments, and the use of social sciences to reduce impediments to environmental protection associated with industrial and commercial activities; and (e) as time permits, the

Committee may also discuss and/or hear briefings on other issues of interest.

#### *Availability of Review Materials*

Information on the availability of background/review materials for the two subcommittee reviews is given under 1. above. If other materials are subsequently provided to the Committee for the March meeting, they will be available from Ms. Mary Winston at (202) 564-4538, or via e-mail at <winston.mary@epa.gov> approximately three weeks prior to the meeting dates.

#### *For Further Information*

Any member of the public wishing further information concerning these four meetings or wishing to submit brief oral comments for any of the meetings must contact Ms. Kathleen White Conway, Designated Federal Officer, Science Advisory Board (1400A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Building North, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone (202) 564-4559; FAX (202) 501-0582; or via e-mail at <conway.kathleen@epa.gov>. Requests for oral comments must be *in writing* (e-mail, fax or mail) and received by Ms. Conway no later than noon Eastern Time one week prior to each meeting.

#### **Providing Oral or Written Comments at SAB Meetings**

The Science Advisory Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. In general, each individual or group making an oral presentation will be limited to a total time of ten minutes. For teleconference meetings, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to no more than three minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Written comments (at least 35 copies) received in the SAB Staff Office sufficiently prior to a meeting date (usually one week before the meeting), may be mailed to the relevant SAB committee or subcommittee; comments received too close to the meeting date will normally be provided to the committee at its meeting.

Additional information concerning the Science Advisory Board, its structure, function, and composition, may be found on the SAB Website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) and in the FY 1999 Annual Report of the Staff Director which is available from the SAB Publications Staff at (202) 564-4533 or via fax at (202) 501-0582.

#### *Meeting Access*

Individuals requiring special accommodation at this teleconference meeting, including wheelchair access to the conference room, should contact Ms. Conway at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: January 5, 2000.

**Donald G. Barnes,**

*Staff Director, Science Advisory Board.*

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### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[OPP-34214; FRL-6486-9]**

#### **Organophosphate Pesticides; Availability of Preliminary Risk Assessments**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of documents that were developed as part of the EPA's process for making reregistration eligibility decisions for the organophosphate pesticides and for tolerance reassessments consistent with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (FQPA). These documents are the preliminary human health risk assessments and related documents for mevinphos and phosalone. This notice also starts a 60-day public comment period for the preliminary risk assessments. Comments are to be limited to issues directly associated with the two organophosphates that have the risk assessments placed in the docket and should be limited to issues raised in those documents. By allowing access and opportunity for comment on the preliminary risk assessments, EPA is seeking to strengthen stakeholder involvement and help ensure our decisions under FQPA are transparent and based on the best available information. The tolerance reassessment process will ensure that the United States continues to have the safest and most abundant food supply. The Agency cautions that these risk assessments are preliminary assessments only and that further refinements of the risk assessments will be appropriate for some, if not all, of these organophosphate pesticides. These documents reflect only the work and analysis conducted as of the time they were produced and it is appropriate

that, as new information becomes available and/or additional analyses are performed, the conclusions they contain may change.

**DATES:** Comments on these assessments, identified by the docket control number for the particular organophosphate pesticide of interest, must be received on or before March 13, 2000. Use the table in Unit I.C. of the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION" to determine the docket control number.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I. of the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION." To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify the docket control number for the particular organophosphate pesticide of interest in the subject line on the first page of your response. Use the table in Unit I.C. to determine the docket control number.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Karen Angulo, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308-8004; e-mail address: [angulo.karen@epa.gov](mailto:angulo.karen@epa.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. General Information**

##### *A. Does this Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed to the public in general, nevertheless, a wide range of stakeholders will be interested in obtaining the preliminary risk assessments for mevinphos and phosalone, including environmental, human health, and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the use of pesticides on food. Since other entities also may be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT."

##### *B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?*

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. On the Home Page select