

project or activity, as well as the capability to effectively manage the cooperative agreement. (10)

- Cost effectiveness and reasonableness of the proposal. (10)
- Applicant's past performance, if applicable. (5)

## 2. Review and Selection Process

Each eligible proposal will be evaluated and ranked by a panel comprised of several EPA Region 6 employees. Members of the review panel will base their evaluation on the selection criteria disclosed in this notice (Section V.1). Final selection of proposals will be made by the Director of the Water Quality Protection Division, EPA Region 6.

## VI. Award Administration Information

### 1. Award Notices

Selected organizations will be notified in writing and requested to submit full applications. Applications, including workplans, are subject to EPA review and approval. It is expected that unsuccessful applicants will be notified in writing. EPA reserves the right to withdraw the funding offer if a complete application (including an approved QMP) is not received within four months of selection notice.

### 2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

Applicants whose proposals contemplate contracting for services or products must comply with applicable regulations relating to competitive procurement and preparation of cost or price analyses in accordance with 40 CFR 30.40 through 30.48 (for institutions of higher learning, hospitals, and other nonprofit organizations) and 40 CFR 31.36 (for States, local governments, and interstate agencies). Identifying a contractor in a proposal does not exempt the applicant from these requirements and gives the appearance that the proposal is from a for-profit organization. As stated in Section III. Eligibility Information, proposals that appear to be from a for-profit organization will not be reviewed or considered. Applicants requested to submit a full application will be required to confirm compliance with competitive procurement procedures.

Additionally, applicants requested to submit a full application will be required to comply with the Quality Assurance requirements (40 CFR 30.54 and 31.45) if projects involve environmentally related measurements or data generation. Prior to award, a Quality Management Plan must be submitted and approved by EPA.

Applicants must provide a Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number with the full application. Organizations may obtain the number by calling, toll free, 1-866-705-5711.

Applicants requested to submit a full application may incur pre-award costs 90 calendar days prior to award provided such costs are included in the application, the costs meet the definition of pre-award costs and are approved by EPA. Pre-award costs are those costs incurred prior to the effective date of the award directly pursuant to the negotiation and in anticipation of the award where such costs are necessary to comply with the proposed delivery schedule or period of performance and are in conformance with the appropriate statute and cost principles. The approval of pre-award costs should be reflected in the budget period on the assistance agreement and if applicable, under a term and condition of the assistance agreement. Recipients incur pre-award costs at their own risk (*i.e.*, EPA is under no obligation to reimburse such costs if for any reason the recipient does not receive an award or if the award is less than anticipated and inadequate to cover such costs).

Assistance agreement competition-related disputed will be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution procedures published in 70 FR 3629, 3630 (January 26, 2005) which can be found at: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-1371.htm>. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Agency Contact below.

### 3. Reporting

Post award reporting requirements include, at a minimum, submission of semi-annual project status reports with submission of a final report prior to the end of the budget/project period. Recipients will be required to report direct and indirect environmental benefits that result from the work accomplished through the cooperative agreement award. Means of submission and report format will be negotiated in the workplan.

## VII. Agency Contacts

*Point of Contact:* Terry Mendiola by telephone at 214-665-7144 or by e-mail at [mendiola.teresita@epa.gov](mailto:mendiola.teresita@epa.gov).

## VIII. Other Information

This Federal Register Notice will be posted on the Region 6 Water Quality Protection Division, Assistance Programs Branch Web site <http://>

[www.epa.gov/earth1r6/6wq/at/sttribal.htm](http://www.epa.gov/earth1r6/6wq/at/sttribal.htm). This Web site may also contain additional information about this request. Deadline extensions, if any, will be posted on this web site and not in the **Federal Register**. A list of selected projects will also be posted to this Web site.

Dated: March 23, 2005.

**Miguel I. Flores,**

*Director, Water Quality Protection Division, Region 6.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPT-2005-0005; FRL-7702-1]

### National Advisory Committee for Acute Exposure Guideline Levels for Hazardous Substances; Notice of Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** A meeting of the National Advisory Committee for Acute Exposure Guideline Levels for Hazardous Substances (NAC/AEGL Committee) will be held on April 12-14, 2005, in Research Triangle Park, NC. At this meeting, the NAC/AEGL Committee will address, as time permits, the various aspects of the acute toxicity and the development of Acute Exposure Guideline Levels (AEGs) for the following chemicals: Acetone, acrylic acid, allyl alcohol, aluminum phosphide, ammonia, bis-chloromethyl ether, carbon tetrachloride, chloroform, chloromethyl methyl ether, diketene, epichlorohydrin, hexafluoroacetone, iron pentacarbonyl, methanol, methyl chlorosilane, methyl dichlorosilane, methyl t-butyl ether, nitrogen mustard bis(2-chloroethyl) ethylamine, nitrogen mustard bis(2-chloroethyl)methyl amine, nitrogen mustard tris(2-chloroethyl)amine, sulfur dioxide.

**DATES:** A meeting of the NAC/AEGL Committee will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on April 12, 2005; 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on April 13, 2005 and from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon on April 14, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the U.S. EPA Office of Research and Development, 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Building C, Auditorium, North Carolina, Research Triangle Park, 27709.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information contact: Colby Lintner, Regulatory Coordinator, Risk Assessment Division (7403M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics,

Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: [TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov](mailto:TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov).

For technical information contact: Paul S. Tobin, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), Economics, Exposure, and Technology Division (7406M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-8557; e-mail address: [tobin.paul@epa.gov](mailto:tobin.paul@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. General Information

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

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may be of particular interest to anyone who may be affected if the AEGL values are adopted by government agencies for emergency planning, prevention, or response programs, such as EPA's Risk Management Program under the Clean Air Act and Amendments Section 112r. It is possible that other Federal agencies besides EPA, as well as State agencies and private organizations, may adopt the AEGL values for their programs. As such, 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 DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

###### B. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPPT-2005-0005. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the EPA Docket Center, Rm. B102-Reading Room, EPA West, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The EPA Docket Center Reading Room telephone number is (202) 566-1744 and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket,

which is located in EPA Docket Center, is (202) 566-0280.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

##### II. Meeting Procedures

For additional information on the scheduled meeting, the agenda of the NAC/AEGL Committee, or the submission of information on chemicals to be discussed at the meeting, contact the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

The meeting of the NAC/AEGL Committee will be open to the public. Oral presentations or statements by interested parties will be limited to 10 minutes. Interested parties are encouraged to contact the DFO to schedule presentations before the NAC/AEGL Committee. Since seating for outside observers may be limited, those wishing to attend the meeting as observers are also encouraged to contact the DFO at the earliest possible date to ensure adequate seating arrangements. Inquiries regarding oral presentations and the submission of written statements or chemical-specific information should be directed to the DFO.

##### III. Future Meetings

Another meeting of the NAC/AEGL Committee is scheduled for June 2005 in Washington, DC.

##### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Hazardous substances, Health.

Dated: March 17, 2005.

**Wendy C. Hamnett,**

*Acting Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EDOCKET ID No.: ORD-2005-0013; FRL-7892-4]

### Board of Scientific Counselors, Computational Toxicology Subcommittee Meeting—Spring 2005

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, the Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development (ORD), gives notice of a Computational Toxicology Subcommittee meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Monday, April 25, 2005 from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (registration is from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.), and will continue on Tuesday, April 26, 2005 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All times noted are eastern time. The meeting may adjourn early on Tuesday if all business is finished. Written comments, and requests for the draft agenda or for making oral presentations at the meeting will be accepted up to 1 business day before the meeting date.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the U.S. EPA Research Triangle Park Campus, EPA Main Building (Room C111A), 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711.

##### Document Availability

Any member of the public interested in receiving a draft BOSC agenda or making an oral presentation during the meeting may contact Ms. Lorelei Kowalski, Designated Federal Officer, whose contact information is listed under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice. In general, each individual making an oral presentation will be limited to a total of three minutes. The draft agenda can be viewed through EDOCKET, as provided in Unit I.A. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

##### Submitting Comments

Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I.B. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Lorelei Kowalski, Designated Federal Officer, via telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-3408, via e-mail at [kowalski.lorelei@epa.gov](mailto:kowalski.lorelei@epa.gov), or by mail at