

of such resources through reducing the cost and increasing the efficiency of exploration for and production of such resources while improving safety and minimizing environmental impacts. In support of this subtitle, the Secretary will contract with a corporation that is structured as a program consortium [REF: Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, § 999B, 119 Stat. 917-21] to administer the activities outlined above.

The program should include improving safety and minimizing environmental impacts of activities involving ultra-deepwater architecture and technology, including drilling to formations in the Outer Continental Shelf to depths greater than 15,000 feet. Projects should focus on the development and demonstration of individual exploration and production technologies as well as integrated systems technologies including new architectures for production in ultra-deepwater (water depths greater than or equal to 1500 meters). The Secretary is also required to prepare an annual plan that describes the ongoing and prospective activities of the program.

In May 2006, the Secretary established the Ultra-Deepwater Advisory Committee to advise the Department on the development and implementation of programs related to ultra-deepwater natural gas and other petroleum resources, and to review and comment on the annual plan.

Qualifications for membership of this committee include: (A) Individuals with extensive research experience or operational knowledge of offshore natural gas and other petroleum exploration and production; (B) individuals broadly representative of the affected interests in ultra-deepwater natural gas and other petroleum production, including interests in environmental protection and safe operations; (C) no individuals who are Federal employees; and (D) no individuals who are board members, officers, or employees of the program consortium [REF: Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, § 999D(a)(2), 119 Stat. 922].

How to Apply: Candidates who wish to be considered for appointment to the Committee must provide the requested information by February 2, 2007. The format to be used for nomination is a resume that addresses the specific qualification criteria stated in Section 999D(a)(2) of the EPACT and other information. Details and specifications for preparing the resume are summarized below and can be found at <http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/oilgas/advisorycommittees/UltraDeepwater.html>.

Resume must address all the following: (Incomplete resumes will not be considered): Full name; Professional Title (if applicable); Employment Affiliation; Address; Phone; E-mail; Organization Being Represented, if applicable; Organization Address; Organization Phone Number; Organization website address; Brief description of organization being represented; Education; Professional Experience related to research or operational knowledge of offshore natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production, and related experience broadly associated with the affected interests in ultra-deepwater natural gas and other petroleum resource production, including interests in environmental protection and safe operations; Affiliations and Awards; Contributions to the Committee: please provide a statement that highlights the key contributions you hope to make if appointed to the Committee; Relationship to the program consortium [REF: Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, § 999B, 119 Stat. 917-21], please provide a statement that highlights your degree of involvement with this organization, especially include any leadership and/or strategic planning activities, note that only board members, officers, and employees of the program consortium are ineligible for appointment to this Committee.

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act [REF: 5 U.S.C. App. 2], this committee's membership will be balanced in terms of the points of view represented. All resumes must be received by February 2, 2007. Candidates may use the form found at <http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/oilgas/advisorycommittees/UltraDeepwater.html> to address the required resume elements. Candidates who wish to be considered for appointment to the Committee must submit a resume via one of the following methods.

1. E-mail to UltraDeepwater@hq.doe.gov (with resume embedded within the body of the e-mail message; no attachment),
2. Facsimile to 202/586-6221, Attn: UDAC Nomination,
3. Overnight delivery service to: U.S. Department of Energy, Mail Stop FE-30, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. No resumes should be sent via the U.S. Postal Service due to extensive security processing that can damage documents and result in extensive delays.
4. Resume Submission Online at <http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/oilgas/>

[advisorycommittees/UltraDeepwater.html](http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/oilgas/advisorycommittees/UltraDeepwater.html).

For security reasons, no email attachments are allowed, nor will they be opened if included.

The closing date for receipt of resumes is February 2, 2007. All resumes received will be acknowledged within 10 working days from date of receipt. Members will have their travel expenses reimbursed, but their time will not be compensated. Some members of the Advisory Committee may be appointed as special Government employees of the Department of Energy. Questions regarding the nomination process should be directed to B. Hochheiser or E. Melchert at 202/586-5600.

Issued in Washington, DC on January 18, 2007.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee, Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Fossil Energy; Unconventional Resources Technology Advisory Committee: Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment as a Member to the Unconventional Resources Technology Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Fossil Energy is soliciting nominations for candidates to serve as members of the Unconventional Resources Technology Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee shall advise the Secretary of Energy on the development and implementation of programs under Subtitle J, Section 999 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPACT) related to onshore unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resources, and review and provide written comments on the annual plan as also described in this subtitle of the EPACT. The membership of the Advisory Committee must be in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and some members of the Advisory Committee may be appointed as special Government employees of the Department of Energy.

DATES: Nominations must be received by February 2, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information regarding this Request for Nominations please contact Ms. Elena

Melchert, Mr. Bill Hochheiser, or Mr. James Slutz, Designated Federal Official (DFO), Unconventional Resources Technology Advisory Committee, at UnconventionalResources@hq.doe.gov or (202) 586-5600. Complete text of Subtitle J, Section 999 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 can be found on the DOE Office of Fossil Energy Web site at <http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/oilgas/advisorycommittees/UnconventionalResources.html>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: Under Subtitle J, Section 999, the Secretary of Energy is required to carry out a program of research, development, demonstration, and commercial application of technologies for ultra-deepwater and unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production, including addressing the technology challenges for small producers, safe operations, and environmental mitigation (including reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and sequestration of carbon). The activities should maximize the value of natural gas and other petroleum resources of the United States by increasing the supply of such resources through reducing the cost and increasing the efficiency of exploration for and production of such resources while improving safety and minimizing environmental impacts. In support of this subtitle, the Secretary will contract with a corporation that is structured as a program consortium [REF: Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, § 999B, 119 Stat. 917-21] to administer the activities outlined above.

The program should include improving safety and minimizing environmental impacts of activities onshore unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production technology. Projects should focus on areas including advanced coalbed methane, deep drilling, natural gas production from tight sands, natural gas production from gas shales, stranded gas, innovative exploration and production techniques, enhanced recovery techniques, and environmental mitigation of unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resources exploration and production. The Secretary is also required to prepare an annual plan that describes the ongoing and prospective activities of the program.

In May 2006, the Secretary established the Unconventional Resources Technology Advisory Committee to advise the Department on the development and implementation of programs related to unconventional natural gas and other petroleum

resources, and to review and comment on the annual plan.

Qualifications for membership of this committee include: (A) Employees or representatives of independent producers of natural gas and other petroleum, including small producers; (B) individuals with extensive research experience or operational knowledge of unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production; (C) individuals broadly representative of the affected interests in unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production, including interests in environmental protection and safe operations; (D) individuals with expertise in the various geographic areas of potential supply of unconventional onshore natural gas and other petroleum in the United States; (E) no individuals who are Federal employees; and (F) no individuals who are board members, officers, or employees of the program consortium [REF: Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, § 999D(b)(2), 119 Stat. 922-23].

How to Apply: Candidates who wish to be considered for appointment to the Committee must provide the required information by February 2, 2007. The format to be used for nomination is a resume that addresses the specific qualification criteria stated in Section 999D(b)(2) of the EPACT and other information. Details and specifications for preparing the resume are summarized below and can be found at <http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/oilgas/advisorycommittees/UnconventionalResources.html>.

Resume must address the following: (Incomplete resumes will not be considered): Full name; Professional Title (if applicable); Employment Affiliation; Address; Phone; E-mail; Organization Being Represented, if applicable; Organization Address; Organization Phone Number; Organization Web site address; Brief description of organization being represented; Education; Professional Experience related to employment or representation of independent producers of natural gas and other petroleum, including small producers, research experience or operational knowledge of unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production, experience broadly representative of the affected interests in unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production, including interests in environmental protection and safe operations, expertise in the various geographic areas of potential supply of unconventional onshore

natural gas and other petroleum in the United States; Affiliations and Awards; Contributions to the Committee: please provide a statement that highlights the key contributions you hope to make if appointed to the Committee; Relationship to the program consortium [REF: Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, § 999B, 119 Stat. 917-21], please provide a statement that highlights your degree of involvement with this organization, especially include any leadership and or strategic planning activities, note that only board members, officers, and employees of the program consortium are ineligible for appointment to this Committee.

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act [REF: 5 U.S.C. App. 2], this committee's membership will be balanced in terms of the points of view represented. All resumes must be received by February 2, 2007. Candidates may use the form found at <http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/oilgas/advisorycommittees/UnconventionalResources.html> to address the required resume elements. Candidates who wish to be considered for appointment to the Committee must submit a resume via one of the following methods.

1. E-mail to UnconventionalResources@hq.doe.gov (with resume embedded within the body of the e-mail message; no attachment.).
 2. Facsimile to 202/586-6221, Attn: URTAC Nomination,
 3. Overnight delivery service to: U.S. Department of Energy, Mail Stop FE-30, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. No resumes should be sent via the U.S. Postal Service due to extensive security processing that can damage documents and result in extensive delays.
 4. Resume Submission Online at <http://www.fe.doe.gov/programs/oilgas/advisorycommittees/UnconventionalResources.html>.
- For security reasons, no e-mail attachments are allowed, nor will they be opened if included.

The closing date for receipt of resumes is February 2, 2007.

All resumes received will be acknowledged within 10 working days from date of receipt. Members will have their travel expenses reimbursed, but their time will not be compensated. Some members of the Advisory Committee may be appointed as special Government employees of the Department of Energy. Questions regarding the nomination process should be directed to B. Hochheiser or E. Melchert at 202/586-5600.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee, Management Officer.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0661; FRL-8111-4]

Chloropicrin Risk Assessments (Phase 3 of 6-Phase Process); Notice of Availability; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: EPA issued a notice in the *Federal Register* of November 29, 2006 (71 FR 69112) (FRL-8087-4), concerning the availability of the risk assessments for the fumigant pesticide chloropicrin. This document announces EPA's decision to extend the comment period for 30 days, February 23, 2007.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0661 must be received on or before February 23, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Follow the detailed instructions as provided under **ADDRESSES** in the *Federal Register* of November 29, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nathan Mottl, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 305-0208; e-mail address: mottl.nathan@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

The Agency included in the notice a list of those who may be potentially affected by this action. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

B. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

1. *Submitting Confidential Business Information (CBI).* Do not submit this information to EPA through www.regulations.gov or e-mail. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that

you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD ROM that you mail to EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD ROM the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

2. *Tips for preparing your comments.* When submitting comments, remember to:

i. Identify the document by docket ID number and other identifying information (subject heading, **Federal Register** date and page number).

ii. Follow directions. The Agency may ask you to respond to specific questions or organize comments by referencing a Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part or section number.

iii. Explain why you agree or disagree; suggest alternatives and substitute language for your requested changes.

iv. Describe any assumptions and provide any technical information and/or data that you used.

v. If you estimate potential costs or burdens, explain how you arrived at your estimate in sufficient detail to allow for it to be reproduced.

vi. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns and suggest alternatives.

vii. Explain your views as clearly as possible, avoiding the use of profanity or personal threats.

viii. Make sure to submit your comments by the comment period deadline identified.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

To submit comments, or access the official public docket, please follow the detailed instructions as provided in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** of the November 29, 2006 *Federal Register* document. If you have questions, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. What Action is EPA Taking?

This document announces EPA's decision to extend the public comment period for the fumigant pesticide chloropicrin established in the **Federal Register** of November 29, 2006. In that document, EPA announced the availability of the risk assessments for chloropicrin. EPA is hereby extending

the comment period, which was set to end on February 23, 2007.

III. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

Section 4(g)(2) of Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, directs that, after submission of all data concerning a pesticide active ingredient, the Administrator shall determine whether pesticides containing such active ingredient are eligible for reregistration. Further provisions are made to allow a public comment period. However, the Administrator may extend the comment period, if additional time for comment is requested. In this case, Chloropicrin Manufacturers Task Force and the Crop Protection Coalition, have requested additional time (60 days and 45 days, respectively) to develop comments. The Agency believes that an additional 30 days is adequate.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Fumigants, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: January 12, 2007.

Debra Edwards,

Director, Special Review and Reregistration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0995; FRL-8109-7]

Notice of Filing of a Pesticide Petition for the Establishment of Tolerances for Pendimethalin in or on Beans and Peas

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of tolerances for residues of pesticide chemical pendimethalin in or on beans and peas.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 23, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2006-0995 and pesticide petition number 6F7149, by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- Mail: Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200