Selection criteria: Total possible points: 80

Environmental issues addressed. Does the project proposal identify the environmental and human health benefits associated with the activity? What are the quality of life issues (benefits) gained by the project? [0 to 20 points]

Deliverables/outcome. What are the deliverables expected from this project? What is the environmental outcome of the project? Does the project have limited or broad application to address risks related to pesticides? Does the project proposal clearly state what it expects to achieve or deliver? [0 to 10 points]

Past performance. If the Tribe has received project funding from EPA in the past, was the outcome/deliverable(s) of the project a success? If the project is still ongoing, was progress made? [0 to 10 points]

Impact assessment/indicators. How does the project propose to quantify and measure its success? How will you evaluate the success of the project in terms of measurable environmental results? [0 to 10 points]

Resources and time frame required for project. Can the project be accomplished with available or existing resources (Tribal or Non-tribal) and within the identified time frame? [0 to 10 points]

Tribal project contact(s). Does the person(s) designated to lead the project have technical expertise and experience? If the project contact(s) assigned to this project do not have relevant training or experience, how will the training necessary to ensure successful completion of the project be obtained? [0 to 5 points]

Major participants/external stakeholders. Has the Tribe identified the need for other parties (Tribal or Non-tribal) who will be involved or who will participate in the project? Who will be affected by the outcome of the project? [0 to 5 points]

Coordination/capacity building. Does the applicant understand/acknowledge the need for coordination between Tribal departments and with outside communities, Federal, State or local government? Will the project help build Tribal infrastructure or capacity? [0 to 5 points]

Transferability. Can the project results be incorporated into the Tribe's pesticide program (if the Tribe has one) or future activities? Can any of the deliverables, experiences, products, or outcomes gained as a result of the project be transferred to other communities? Could this project be implemented by another Tribe? [0 to 5 points]

V. Post Selection Activity

Selected applicants must formally apply for funds through the appropriate EPA regional office. In addition, selected applicants must negotiate a final workplan, including reporting requirements, with the designated EPA regional project officer. For more general information on post award requirements and the evaluation of grantee performance, see 40 CFR part 31.

VI. What Action is the Agency Taking?

The Office of Pesticide Programs, in coordination with the EPA regions, is soliciting Tribal pesticide projects for FY 2002 funding. The total amount of funding available in FY 2002 to be awarded to Tribal governments and/or intertribal consortium for pesticide projects is $445,500.

VII. Statutory Authority and Regulations

Sections 23(a) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) authorize EPA to enter into cooperative agreements with States and Indian Tribes to implement pesticide enforcement programs. Pursuant to the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 1999, pesticide program implementation grants under section 23(a)(1) of FIFRA are available for ''pesticide program development and implementation, including enforcement and compliance activities.''

The award and administration of these grants will be governed by the Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments set forth at 40 CFR part 31. Grants awarded pursuant to this solicitation are program grants subject to the regulations for ''Environmental Program Grants for Tribes'' set forth at 40 CFR part 35, subpart B.

VIII. Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance

The number assigned to this grant in the Catalogue of Domestic Assistance is 66.500.

IX. Submission to Congress and the Comptroller General

Grant solicitations such as this are considered rules for the purpose of the Congressional Review Act (CRA). The CRA, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq*., as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (SBREFA), generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. This rule is not a ''major rule'' as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: March 1, 2002.

Kennan Garvey,

Acting Director, Field and External Affairs Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS–42212F; FRL–6827–9]

Endocrine Disruptor Method Validation Subcommittee Under the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: There will be a meeting of the Endocrine Disruptor Methods Validation Subcommittee (EDMVS), a subcommittee under the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT), a Federal Advisory Committee, on March 25th - 27th, 2002. The EDMVS will provide technical advice on screening and testing methods for the Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP). The upcoming meeting, as with all EDMVS meetings, is open to the public. Seating is on a first-come basis. Individuals requiring special accommodations at this meeting, including wheelchair access, should contact Jane Smith at the address listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** at least 5 business days prior to the meeting, so appropriate arrangements can be made.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 25, 2002, from 1 p.m. to 5:45 p.m., March 26 from, 9 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., and March 27 from, 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Requests to participate in the meeting must be received on or before March 20, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at RESOLVE, 1255 23rd St., NW, Suite 275, Washington, DC. The telephone number for RESOLVE is (202) 944–2300.

Requests to participate in the meeting may be submitted by electronic mail, telephone, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit III. under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** To ensure proper receipt by EPA, your request must identify docket control number OPPT–42212F in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane Smith, Designated Federal Official, Office of Science Coordination and Policy, Mail Code 7201M, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW.,Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564–8476; fax number: (202) 564–8483; e-mail address: smith.jane-scott@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest if you produce, manufacture, use, consume, work with, or import pesticides chemicals, substances that may have an effect cumulative to an effect of a pesticide, or substances found in sources of drinking water. To determine whether you or your business may have an interest in this notice you should carefully examine section 408(p) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–170), 21 U.S.C. 346A(p) and amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (Public Law 104–182), 42 U.S.C. 300j–17. Since other entities may also 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**.

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

1. *Electronically*. A list of EDMVS members and information from previous meetings is available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at http://www.epa.gov/scipoly/oscpendo. To access this document, on the EPA Home Page search for ''Endocrine,'' which will take you to the EDSP web site. You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listing at http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/.

2. *In person*. The Agency has established an administrative record for this meeting under docket control number OPPT–42212F. The administrative record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this notice, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to Endocrine Disruptor Method Validation, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). The public version of the administrative record is available for inspection in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, North East Mall, Rm B–607, Waterside Mall, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. The Center is open form noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number of the Center is (202) 260–7099.

III. How Can I Request to Participate in this Meeting?

You may submit a request to participate in the meeting by electronic mail, telephone, by fax, or in person. We would normally accept requests by mail, but in this time of delays in delivery of government mail due to health and security concerns, we cannot assure your request would arrive in a timely manner. Do not submit any information in your request that is considered CBI. Your request must be received by EPA on or before March 20, 2002. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPPT–42212F, in the subject line on the first page of your request.

1. *Electronically*. You may submit your request electronically by e-mail to oppt-nicic@epa.gov. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Use WordPerfect 6.1/8.0 or ASCII file format and avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Be sure to identify by docket control number OPPT–42212F. You may also file a request online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

2. *In person or by courier*. You may deliver a request to: OPPT Docket Control Office, North East Mall, Rm B–607, Waterside Mall, 401M St., SW., Washington, DC. The docket office is open from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number of the Office is (202) 260–7099.

3. *Fax*. You may fax your request to: Jane Smith, Designated Federal Official, list under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

IV. Background

In 1996, through enactment of the Food Quality Protection Act, which amended the FFDCA, Congress directed EPA to develop a screening program, using appropriate validated test systems and other scientifically relevant information, to determine whether certain substances may have hormonal effects in humans. In 1996, EPA chartered a scientific advisory committee, the Endocrine Disruptor Screening and Testing Advisory Committee (EDSTAC), under the authority of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) to advise it on establishing a program to carry out Congress' directive. EDSTAC recommended a multi-step approach including a series of screens (Tier 1 Screens) and tests (Tier 2 tests) for determining whether a chemical substance may have an effect similar to that produced by naturally occurring hormones. EPA adopted almost all of EDSTAC's recommendations in the Program that it developed, the Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP), to carry out Congress' directive.

EDSTAC also recognized that there currently are no validated test systems for determining whether a chemical may have an effect in humans that is similar to an effect produced by naturally occurring hormones. Consequently, EPA is in the process of developing and validating the screens and tests that EDSTAC recommended for inclusion in the EDSP. In carrying out this validation exercise, EPA is working closely with, and adhering to the principles of the Interagency Coordinating Committee for the Validation of Alternate Methods (ICCVAM). EPA also is working closely with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development's Endocine Testing and Assessment Task Force to validate and harmonize endocrine screening tests of international interest.

Finally, to ensure that EPA has the best and most up-to-date advice available regarding the validation of the screens and tests in the EDSP, EPA recently chartered the EDMVS of the NACEPT. The EDMVS provides independent advice and counsel to the Agency through NACEPT, on scientific and technical issues related to validation of the EDSP Tier I screens and Tier II tests, including advice on methods for reducing animal use, refining procedures involving animals to make them less stressful, and replacing animals where scientifically appropriate.

The EDMVS has met twice since its establishment in September 2001. The

objectives of the October 2001 meeting (docket control number 42212D) were for EPA to provide:

• An overview of EPA's Endocrine Disruptor Program.

• Background information on test protocol validation and approaches.

• For the EDMVS to develop a clear understanding of their scope, purpose and operating procedures.

• For the EDMVS and the EDSP to determine the next steps.

The objectives of the December 2001 meeting (docket control number 42212E) were for the EDMVS to provide input and advice on:

• The EDMVS's mission statement and work plan.

• The *in utero* through lactation assay detailed review paper.

• The pubertal assay study design for the multi-dose and chemical array protocols.

• The mammalian one-generation study design.

A list of the EDMVS members and meeting materials are available on our web site, (http://www.epa.gov/scipoly/oscpendo/edmvs.htm), and in the public docket.

V. Meeting Objectives for the March 2002 Meeting

The objectives of the March meeting are for the EDMVS to provide input and advice on:

• EDSP's implementation process and practical aspects of validation.

• The *in utero* through lactation assay protocol.

• The fish reproduction assay detailed review paper.

• Special studies on fathead minnow assays, vitellogenin assay, and avian dosing protocol.

• The aromatase detailed review paper.

• A proposed standard suite of chemicals for testing in the Tier 1 screening assay.

Time for public comment has been reserved on March 25th and 26th just prior to meeting adjournment for the day.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Endocrine disruptor screening program, Endocrine disruptors.

Dated: March 4, 2002.

Andy Privee,

Acting Director, Office of Science Coordination and Policy, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP–30521; FRL–6824–3]

Pesticide Product; Registration Applications

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces receipt of an application to register a pesticide product containing a new active ingredient not included in any previously registered product pursuant to the provisions of section 3(c)(4) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended.

DATES: Written comments, identified by the docket control number OPP–30521, must be received on or before April 8, 2002.

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 docket control number OPP–30521 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Barbara Mandula, Regulatory Action Leader, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308–7378; and e-mail address: mandula.barbara@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer, or pesticide manufacturer. Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Categories	NAICS codes	Examples of potentially affected entities
Industry	111 112 311 32532	Crop production Animal production Food manufacturing Pesticide manufacturing

This listing is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed in the table could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this action might apply to certain entities. If you have 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/. To access this document, on the Home Page select ''Laws and Regulations,'' ''Regulations and Proposed Rules,'' and then look up the entry for this document under the ''**Federal Register**—Environmental Documents.'' You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/.

2. *In person*. The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP–30521. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed asconfidential business information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305–5805.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP–30521 in the