

and end on Friday, January 12, 1996, at 2 p.m. Members of the public may attend as observers.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, Georgetown, 2101 Wisconsin Avenue NW., Washington, DC, 20007. Eastern Research Group, Inc., an EPA contractor, is providing logistical support for the workshop. To attend the workshop as an observer, contact Eastern Research Group, Inc., Tel: 617/674-7374 by December 20, 1995. Please register early.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For technical inquiries, contact Harriet Croke, U.S. EPA Region V, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604, Telephone (312) 353-4789. Copies of the draft risk assessment document (EPA905-D95-002a-g) will be available in EPA regional libraries, EPA Headquarters library, and from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS document numbers PB96-121546, PB121553, PB96-121561, PB96-121579, PB96-121587, PB96-121595, and PB96-121603; Phone: 1-800-553-6847). In addition, the draft risk assessment will be available in the following libraries in the vicinity of the WTI facility: Carnegie Public Library of East Liverpool, 219 E. 4th St., East Liverpool, OH 43920; Lynn Murray Memorial Library, 601 Railroad St., Chester WV 26034; Carnegie Public Library, 61 Ninth St., Midland, PA 15059. Further, a summary of the draft risk assessment will be available on the Internet on EPA's ORD Home Page (<http://www.epa.gov/docs/ORD/>).

For other workshop information, contact William Wood, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (8501), 401 M Street SW., Washington, DC 20460, Telephone (202) 260-6743.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Previously, several preliminary risk assessments were conducted by EPA concerning the WTI incinerator. To prepare for a final, detailed risk assessment the EPA decided, in July 1993, that the Agency would arrange independent scientific peer reviews of both the project plan and the draft risk assessment. The first peer review was held in December, 1993 (17 November, 1993 Federal Register, pp. 60628-60629) and concerned the draft project plan for the risk assessment. For this first workshop, EPA convened a peer review panel of 13 independent scientists from the fields of toxicology, environmental fate and transport, combustion engineering, atmospheric modeling, and exposure assessment. The comments and recommendations provided during this workshop are published in "Reports on the Technical Workshop on WTI

Incinerator Risk Issues" (EPA/630/R-94/001). This document is available from the Center for Environmental Research Information (Phone: 513-569-7562). Major recommendations from this workshop included: (1) using additional incinerator performance test data; (2) refining computer models used to simulate airborne dispersions; (3) conducting a screening level ecological risk assessments; and (4) performing an evaluation of accident scenarios.

For the current review, EPA is convening the same panel, enhanced with eight additional experts in the area of ecological risk assessments and accident analysis. These scientists will focus on the scientific data, methods, and analyses, along with the assumptions and uncertainties that are associated with the risk estimates at the site. Following the workshop, EPA will consider the workshop recommendations in completing the risk assessment. Policy and permitting issues will not be discussed at the current workshop.

Dated: November 22, 1995.

Henry Longest II,

*Acting Assistant Administrator for Research and Development.*

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**[FRL-5336-8]**

**Proposed Settlements Pursuant to Sections 122(h) and 122(g) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed administrative settlements and opportunity for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9622(i), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), Region II, announces proposed administrative settlements pursuant to Sections 122(h) and 122(g) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g),(h), relating to the Quanta Resources Syracuse Superfund Site ("Site"). The Site is located at 2802-2810 Lodi Street, Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York. This notice is being published pursuant to Section 122(i) of CERCLA to inform the public of the proposed settlements and of the opportunity to comment. EPA will consider any comments received during

the comment period and may withdraw or withhold consent to the proposed settlements if comments disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the proposed settlements are inappropriate, improper, or inadequate.

The proposed administrative settlements have been separately memorialized in an Administrative Cost Recovery Agreement and an Administrative Order on Consent between EPA and eighty-eight ORC-settling parties ("Respondents"). These administrative settlements will become effective after the close of the public comment period, unless comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that these agreements are inappropriate, improper or inadequate, and EPA, in accordance with Section 122(i)(3) of CERCLA, modifies or withdraws its consent to this Agreement. Under these administrative settlements, the Respondents will be obligated to pay an aggregate of approximately \$500,000 to the Hazardous Substance Superfund in reimbursement of EPA's response costs relating to the Site.

Pursuant to CERCLA Section 122(g)(4) &(h)(1), the administrative settlements may not be issued without the prior written approval of the Attorney General or her designee. In accordance with that requirement, the Attorney General or her designee has approved the proposed administrative settlements in writing.

EPA intends to settle with other potentially responsible parties concerning reimbursement of EPA's remaining response costs.

**DATES:** Comments must be provided on or before January 2, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Regional Counsel, New York/Caribbean Superfund Branch, 17th Floor, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007 and should refer to: "Quanta Resources Syracuse Superfund Site, U.S. EPA Index No. II-CERCLA-95-0223 and Index No. II-CERCLA-95-0224". For a copy of the settlement document, contact the individual listed below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeannie M. Yu, Law Clerk, New York/Caribbean Superfund Branch, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 17th Floor, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007. Telephone: (212) 637-3178.

Dated: November 22, 1995.

Jeanne M. Fox,

*Regional Administrator.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5336-4]

### Draft Cook Inlet General NPDES Permit for Oil and Gas Exploration, Production and Development in Waters of the United States: General NPDES Permit No. AKG285100

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10.

**ACTION:** Extension of the public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On September 20, 1995, EPA provided notice of the draft general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit no. AKG285100 for oil and gas stratigraphic and exploration wells on the Alaskan Outer Continental Shelf, in addition to exploration, production and development wells in offshore and coastal waters of the State of Alaska. The public comment period schedule was published in the notice. At the request of interested parties, EPA is today providing notice that the public comment period has been extended.

**DATES:** Original public notice issuance date: September 20, 1995. Extended public notice expiration date: January 29, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Public comments: Interested persons may submit written comments on the draft general NPDES permit to: Environmental Protection Agency, Attn: Laurie Mann (WD-134), 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98101. All comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the commenter and a concise statement of comment and the relevant facts upon which it is based. Comments of either support or concern which are directed at specific, cited permit requirements are appreciated. Comments must be submitted to EPA on or before the extended expiration date of the public notice.

Administrative record: The complete administrative record for the draft permit is available for public review at the EPA Seattle address listed above; and at the U.S. EPA, Anchorage Operations Office, Room 537, Federal Building, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #19, Anchorage, Alaska 99513. Copies of the draft general NPDES permit and fact sheet are available upon request from

the Region 10 Public Information Center at 1-800-424-4EPA (4372).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laurie Mann, EPA Region 10, at the EPA Seattle address listed above or telephone (206) 553-1583.

Dated: November 2, 1995.

Philip G. Millam,

*Acting Director, Office of Water.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 95-2119]

### Licensing of General Category Frequencies

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** By this Order, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau suspends acceptance of General Category channels in the 800 MHz band. This action is taken to ensure the successful resolution of the spectrum allocation issues raised in PR Docket 93-144 are not compromised. The intended effect of this action is to freeze acceptance of new applications after the effective date.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 4, 1995.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

D'wana Speight or David Kirschner, Legal Branch, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418-0620.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Adopted: October 4, 1995. Released: October 4, 1995.

By the Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau:

1. On October 20, 1994, the Commission adopted a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in PR No. Docket 93-144, 59 FR 60111, November 22, 1994, which proposed a new framework for the licensing of Specialized Mobile Radio (SMR) systems in the 800 MHz band. In the context of this proceeding the Commission tentatively concluded that it should revise its eligibility rules for the General Category Channels to prohibit SMR and non-SMR applicants from applying for the same channels in the future. For the reasons stated below, we have decided to place a freeze on the filing of new applications for General Category frequencies.

2. The General Category channels are available to all eligible users in the 800 MHz band for either conventional or trunked operations. Recently, there has been a steep rise in demand for General

Category frequencies, especially by SMR applicants and licensees, as a result of regulatory actions affecting certain 800 MHz frequencies. On August 9, 1994, the Commission imposed a freeze on the acceptance of new 800 MHz applications on the 280 SMR category channels. In addition, on April 15, 1995, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau ("Bureau") placed a freeze on the filing of new applications for inter-category sharing on all private mobile radio service frequencies in the 806-821/851-866 MHz bands.

3. We believe that the current situation warrants a freeze on new applications for General Category channels. Because of the pressure placed on the General Category channels, unless we immediately freeze new applications the successful resolution of the spectrum allocation issues raised in PR Docket No. 93-144 could be compromised. Freezing acceptance of these applications is a temporary action that would preserve the current licensing landscape of the General Category and allow resolution of the issues regarding future licensing of these channels in PR Docket No. 93-144. We anticipate that this action will be of limited duration, because the Commission intends to resolve expeditiously the issues presented in PR Docket No. 93-144. We emphasize, however, that this action is limited to new applications for General Category channels and does not affect the acceptance of new applications for other categories of 800 MHz frequencies, e.g. Public Safety, Industrial/Land Transportation, and Business Category Channels.

4. As a result of today's action, we will continue to process those new applications for General Category channels which have been received by the Bureau's Licensing Division as of 12:00 a.m. midnight on October 4, 1995. All other applications, including those which still are in the frequency coordination process, will be subject to this freeze and, thus, will be returned to the applicant upon receipt by the Bureau's Licensing Division.

5. Accordingly, *it is ordered* That the acceptance of applications for the General Category channels is suspended effective October 4, 1995.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The imposition of this freeze is procedural in nature and therefore is not subject to the notice and comment, and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA). See *Kessler v. FCC*, 326 F.2d 673 (D.C. Cir. 1963). Furthermore, good cause exists for noncompliance with these APA requirements. Adherence to the notice and comment, and effective date requirements in this matter would be contrary to the public interest, because compliance would undercut the purposes of the freeze.