

submitter. The Agency anticipates that most of the comments will not be classified as CBI, and prefers that all information submitted be publicly available. Any records or transcripts of the open meetings will be considered public information and cannot be declared CBI.

IV. Structure of the Meeting

EPA will open the meeting with brief introductory comments. EPA will then invite those parties who have registered to present their comments. EPA anticipates that each speaker will be permitted 5 minutes to make comments. After each speaker, Agency and state representatives may ask the presenter questions of clarification. The Agency reserves the right to adjust the time for presenters depending on the number of speakers.

Members of the public are encouraged to submit written documentation to EPA at the meeting to ensure that their entire position goes on record in the event that time does not permit a complete oral presentation.

Any information may be delivered to Jeanne Heying at the address stated earlier in this Notice.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: August 14, 1996.

Cathleen Kronopolis,
*Acting Director, Field Operations Division,
Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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Notice of Proposed Purchaser Agreement Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 122 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9622, notice is hereby given that a proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement associated with the Croydon Superfund Site in Croydon PA, was executed by the purchaser on August 12, 1996 and

is subject to final approval by the Agency and United States Department of Justice. The Purchaser Agreement would resolve certain potential EPA claims under Section 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607, against Slogam Enterprises Limited, a Pennsylvania limited partnership ("the purchaser"). The settlement would require the purchaser to pay a principal payment of \$20,000 to the Hazardous Substances Superfund.

For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the proposed settlement. The Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 841 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, PA 19107.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 18, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The proposed agreement and additional background information relating to the settlement are available for public inspection at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 841 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, PA 19107. A copy of the proposed agreement may be obtained from Suzanne Canning, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Regional Docket Clerk (3RC00), 841 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, PA 19107. Comments should reference the "Croydon Superfund Site" and "EPA Docket No. III-96-80-DC" and should be forwarded to Suzanne Canning at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Heather Gray Torres (3RC21), Associate Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 841 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, PA 19107, (215) 566-2696.

Dated: August 12, 1996.
Thomas Maslany,
*Acting Regional Administrator, U.S.
Environmental Protection Agency, Region III.*

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Draft Canada-United States Strategy for the Virtual Elimination of Persistent Toxic Substances in the Great Lakes Basin

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of the availability of the Draft Canada-United States Strategy for the Virtual Elimination of Persistent Toxic Substances in the Great Lakes

Basin (the Strategy) and opportunity to comment.

SUMMARY: The Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement of 1978, as amended by Protocol signed November 1987, between the United States and Canada commits the two countries to seek to virtually eliminate the discharge of persistent toxic substances to the Great Lakes ecosystem. Pursuant to this goal, the Strategy establishes a framework by which the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Environment Canada, the Great Lakes States and stakeholders, the Tribes, and national stakeholders whose actions affect or impact the Great Lakes Basin, can pursue virtual elimination of persistent toxic substances, particularly those which bioaccumulate, from the Great Lakes. These actions will help to protect and ensure the long-term health and integrity of the Great Lakes ecosystem.

Virtual elimination of persistent toxic substances will be pursued through a variety of voluntary, regulatory, and incentive-based actions aimed at reducing specific pollutants over specific timeframes. The primary approach will be to achieve reductions through pollution prevention or other voluntary means.

The geographic scope of the strategy will be focused primarily on the Great Lakes Basin; however, a larger geographic scale will be used to address atmospheric deposition. The strategy will serve as a vehicle to pursue discussions with jurisdictions having out-of-basin sources that may be adversely impacting Great Lakes water quality.

Extensive efforts have been made to inform stakeholders and the public of the Strategy, its objectives, and the process established for public involvement. These efforts have included holding public meetings, issuing progress reports, and making information available via the Internet. A number of stakeholder meetings (9/93, 9/94, and 8/95) were held in connection with the Virtual Elimination Pilot Project and Strategy development.

During the development of the Strategy, various Great Lakes stakeholders, governmental organizations, and the public have had an opportunity to provide preliminary comments. This notice now invites a wider spectrum of comments from the public, governmental organizations, stakeholders, and other interested parties. To provide this additional opportunity for input, all interested commenters will have 30 days to submit comments on the draft Strategy.