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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the new, expanded eligibility provision, EPA will award grants directly to local entities for meritorious projects that support local efforts to better protect wetland resources. Entities eligible to receive grants under this provision include local government agencies (city, county, regional), regional planning boards, local conservation districts and other nonprofit organizations.

All grants are awarded on a competitive basis. EPA's Regional Offices will receive all grant proposals and will review and select state/tribal grants for funding. Grants for the local wetland efforts will be forwarded to Headquarters for funding decisions. In future years, we anticipate that grants for local entities will be selected and awarded by EPA's Regional Offices. In FY97, EPA established a \$500,000 set aside to support this expanded eligibility for local wetland grants.

All grants applications must conform with the requirements of the grant program including the 25% match, meet applicable deadlines for submitting proposals to EPA's Regional Offices, and be for development/refinement of wetland programs and not for operation of a wetlands program.

States, tribes and other eligible entities, including local entities, are encouraged to work closely with their appropriate Regional Office to develop a formal grant application that effectively addresses the objectives of this grant program.

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**Food Safety Advisory Committee;  
Open Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As required by section 9(c) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) is giving notice of the fourth, and final, meeting of the Food Safety Advisory Committee (FSAC).

**DATES:** This meeting will take place Thursday, December 5, 1996 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at: The Sheraton Premiere at Tysons Corner, 9661 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, VA, 22182. From I-495 or Route 66, take Route 7 West to Tysons Corner (exit 10 from 495 or exit 66-B from Route 66). After 2 miles, make a left on Westwood Center Drive and a quick right to the service road which will take you to the Hotel. From Washington National Airport, take 395 to 495 and then follow above directions. From Dulles International Airport, take the Express Way toward Washington, D.C., proceed for about 13 miles then take exit for Route 7 East. At first traffic light, make a U-turn to the right on the service road which will take you to the Hotel.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Margie Fehrenbach, Designated Federal Officer or Carol Peterson, Office of Pesticide Programs (7501C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 1119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, 22202; (703) 305-7090; e-mail: fehrenbach.margie@epamail.epa.gov or peterson.carol@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

The Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA), signed into law on August 3, 1996, (Public Law 104-170) amends the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA) to provide greater protection for U.S. consumers, particularly infants and children.

EPA formed the FSAC as a subcommittee under the auspices of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT) to provide a structured environment for exchange of information and ideas on regulatory, policy, and implementation issues. These discussions will assist EPA in the implementation of the new food safety statute and are essential if EPA is to be responsive to the needs of the public and the affected industry.

**II. Participation**

The FSAC is composed of a balanced group of participants from the following sectors: pesticide user and commodity groups; environmental/public interest groups, including the general public; federal and state governments; academia; industry; the public health community; and congressional offices. FSAC meetings are open to the public. Outside statements by observers are welcome. Oral statements will be limited to five minutes, and it is preferred that only one person per organization present the statement. Any person who wishes to file a written statement can do so before or after an FSAC meeting. These statements will become part of the permanent file and will be provided to FSAC members for their information. Materials related to the Food Safety Advisory Committee are maintained in a public record. These materials are available for inspection from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The public record is located in Rm. 1132 of the Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

**III. Meeting Schedule**

The agenda for this meeting will include: a review of previous FSAC meeting agenda topics, and discussion of EPA's draft implementation plan outline (with a focus on approaches to scientific assessment, interim decision logic for screening risks, the tolerance reassessment program, and minor uses).

**List of Subjects**

Environmental protection.

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