part or all of that information as 'Confidential Business Information' (CBI). Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. A copy of the comment that does not contain CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public record. Information not marked confidential may be disclosed publicly by EPA without prior notice. All written comments will be available for public inspection in Rm. 1132 at the address given above, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Larry C. Dorsey, Designated Federal Official, FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel (7501C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 40l M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, Office location: Rm. 815B, CM#2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22203, Telephone: (703) 305–5369, e-mail: dorsey.larry@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Congress mandated that the Scientific Advisory Panel would consist of seven members, selected from candidates nominated by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Congress also mandated that the terms of appointment would be staggered. A list of nominees, including biographical data, appeared in the Federal Register as indicated above. No comments were received in response to this Notice.

Dr. Patricia Buffler and Dr. Ron Kendall have been appointed as members of the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel. Dr. Buffler is Dean of the School of Public Health at the University of California at Berkeley; she will provide the experience and technical background needed in the area of epidemiology and public health. Dr. Kendall is the Director of The Institute of Wildlife and Environmental Toxicology at Clemson University; he will provide expertise in the area of wildlife and environmental toxicology.

The decision to appoint Dr. Buffler and Dr. Kendall is based upon several factors, including: Dr. Buffler's expertise in the areas of association of diet, smoking, air pollution, toxic chemical wastes, low-level radiation, and electromagnetic fields on the risks of cancer, lung diseases, fertility, pregnancy outcomes, diseases and conditions among working and nonworking populations, and the protective effects of vitamin A and betacarotene for laryngeal cancer; Dr. Kendall's work in the areas of effects of

pesticides on fish and wildlife populations, behavioral toxicology of pesticides in wildlife, heavy metal and industrial contamination in the environment, toxicology of lead, cadmium, and PCBs in avian and mammalian wildlife species, and ecological risk assessment; the need for a disciplinary mix; and the need for broader scientific views.

Meetings of the Scientific Advisory Panel are always announced in the Federal Register at least fifteen days prior to each meeting, in accordance with the directives of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

List of subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: December 2, 1996.

Carol M. Browner, Administrator.

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[OPPTS-140251; FRL-5576-5]

Access to Confidential Business Information by Syracuse Research Corporation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has authorized its contractor, Syracuse Research Corporation (SRC), of Syracuse, New York, access to information which has been submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be confidential business information (CBI).

DATES: Access to the confidential data submitted to EPA will occur no sooner than December 24, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan B. Hazen, Director, TSCA Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. E–545, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 554–1404, TDD: (202) 554–0551; e-mail: TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under contract number 68–W6–0047, contractor SRC, of Merrill Lane, Syracuse, NY, will assist the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) in reviewing new chemical submissions, and in creating and updating chemical data bases of existing chemicals.

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under EPA

contract number 68–W6–0047, SRC will require access to CBI submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract. SRC personnel will be given access to information submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA. Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be CBI.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA that EPA may provide SRC access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place at EPA Headquarters, SRC's site located at Crystal Gateway, Arlington, VA and Merrill Lane, Syracuse NY.

SRC will be authorized access to TSCA CBI at its facilities under the EPA of TSCA Confidential Business Information Security Manual. Before access to TSCA CBI is authorized at SRC's sites, EPA will approve SRC's security certification statements, perform the required inspection of its facilities, and ensure that the facilities are in compliance with the manual. Upon completing review of the CBI materials, SRC will return all transferred materials to EPA.

Clearance for access to TSCA CBI under this contract may continue until September 30, 2001.

SRC personnel will be required to sign nondisclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to TSCA CBI.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Access to confidential business information.

Dated:December 3, 1996.

George A. Bonina,

Acting Director, Information Management Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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[OPPTS-140250; FRL-5576-4]

Access to Confidential Business Information by Eastern Research Group and Subcontractors

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has authorized its contractor, Eastern Research Group

(ERG), of Lexington, Massachusetts and it subcontractors Science Applications International Corp (SAIC) of McLean, Virginia, Mathtech (MAT) of Falls Church, Virginia, and ICF Incorporated (ICF) of Fairfax, Virginia, access to information which has been submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be confidential business information (CBI). **DATES:** Access to the confidential data submitted to EPA will occur no sooner than December 24, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Susan Hazen, Director, TSCA Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. E–545, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 554–1404, TDD: (202) 554–0551; e-mail: TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under contract number 68–W6–0022, contractor ERG, of 110 Hartwell Avenue, Lexington, MA and its subcontractors SAIC, of 1710 Goodridge Drive, McLean VA, MAT of 5111 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA, and ICF of 9300 Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA, will assist the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) in evaluating the potential risk of new and existing chemical substances and develop data bearing on such risks.

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under EPA contract number 68–W6–0022, ERG, SAIC, MAT, and ICF will require access to CBI submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract. ERG, SAIC, MAT, and ICF personnel will be given access to information submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA. Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be CBI.

In a previous notice published in the Federal Register of January 11, 1991 (56 FR 1185; FRL–3843–2), ERG was authorized access to CBI submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 21 of TSCA under contract number 68–D0–0020. EPA is issuing this notice to allow ERG, to continue its works under the new contract number 68–W6–0022 and to allow TSCA CBI access for the new subcontractors SAIC, MAT, and ICF.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of TSCA that EPA may provide ERG, SAIC, MAT, and ICF access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place

at ERG's Lexington, MA facility; SAIC, MAT, and ICF will have access only at EPA Headquarters.

ERG will be authorized access to TSCA CBI at their facility under the EPA TSCA Confidential Business Information Security Manual. Before access to TSCA CBI is authorized at ERG's site, EPA will approve their security certification statements and ensure that the facility is in compliance with the manual. Upon completing review of the CBI materials, ERG will return all transferred materials to EPA.

Clearance for access to TSCA CBI under this contract may continue until April 30, 2001.

ERG, SAIC, MAT, and ICF personnel will be required to sign nondisclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to TSCA CBI.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Access to confidential business information.

Dated: December 3, 1996.

George A. Bonina,

Acting Director, Information Management Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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[OPPTS-140249; FRL-5575-2]

Access to Confidential Business Information by Hyperdyne

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has authorized its contractor, Hyperdyne, (HYP) of Silver Spring, Maryland, access to information which has been submitted to EPA under all sections of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be confidential business information (CBI).

DATES: Access to the confidential data submitted to EPA will occur no sooner than December 24, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Susan B. Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. E–545, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 554–1404, TDD: (202) 554–0551; e-mail: TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under contract number 6W-4683-YASA,

contractor HYP, of 1416 Fenwick Lane, Silver Spring, MD will assist the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) in performing maintenance and enhancements to the TSCA Chemical Update System (CUS) residing on the **EPA Confidential Business Information** (CBI) Local Area Network. In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under EPA contract number 6W-4683-YASA, HYP will require access to CBI submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract. HYP personnel will be given access to information submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA. Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be CBI.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under all sections of TSCA that EPA may provide HYP access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place at EPA Headquarters only.

Clearance for access to TSCA CBI under this contract may continue until December 31, 1996. HYP personnel will be required to sign nondisclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to TSCA CBI.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Access to confidential business information.

Dated: December 3, 1996.

George A. Bonina,

Acting Director, Information Management Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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Environmental Justice Community/ University Partnership Grants Program; Request for Applications (RFA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 1997; Sponsored by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Environmental Justice

Purpose of Notice

The purpose of this notice is to solicit applications from eligible candidates under the Environmental Justice Community/University Partnership Grants Program, sponsored by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Grants Program Overview

The grant program was established to help community groups and tribal governments effectively address local