

(2) Common Sense Initiative Council—July 21 and 22, 1997

Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency will hold an open meeting of the Common Sense Initiative Council on Monday, July 21, 1997 from 12:30 p.m. EDT to 5:30 p.m. EDT and Tuesday, July 22, 1997, from 8:30 a.m. EDT to 3:30 p.m. EDT. The meeting will be held at the DuPont Plaza Hotel, 1500 New Hampshire Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036. The telephone number is (202) 483-6000.

The Council will focus on a variety of topics including an overview of the new EPA Office of Reinvention and the role of the CSI Council. The Council will continue the February Council meeting discussion on challenges to improving the existing environmental management system, including a presentation and discussion on accessibility to environmental information, and on emergency response plans. Three Sector Subcommittees, Automobile Manufacturing, Iron and Steel, and Metal Finishing, are scheduled to present recommendations to the Council.

For further information concerning this meeting of the Common Sense Initiative Council, please contact Kathleen Bailey, DFO, at EPA by telephone on (202) 260-7417, or by e-mail at bailey.kathleen@epamail.epa.gov.

(3) Iron and Steel Sector Subcommittee—July 23 and 24, 1997

Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency will hold an open meeting of the Iron and Steel Sector Subcommittee on Wednesday, July 23, 1997, from 10:00 a.m. EDT until 5:00 p.m. EDT and on Thursday, July 24, 1997, from 8:00 a.m. EDT until 4:00 p.m. EDT. The meeting will be held at the Ramada Plaza Pentagon Hotel, 4641 Kenmore Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia. The telephone number is (703) 751-4510. The purpose of this meeting is for the Subcommittee to make final decisions on the sector's work plan and projects, and to begin implementation.

At its March 1997 meeting, the Subcommittee discussed the development of a work plan for the next year and decided that prior to making any decisions, it needed to have a better picture of the industry today and a vision of the industry's future. It formed three temporary task groups and charged them with developing a baseline picture of the industry and its major problems, developing objectives for the work plan, and with examining

the current regulatory scheme. At the July meeting, the Subcommittee will review the reports of each of the three task groups, hear a panel discussion about the economic environment in which the industry operates, and develop its work plan and projects to be carried out. Additionally, it will establish appropriate task forces to carry out the work plan, discuss with the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance the results of the study describing the nature on compliance problems in the industry, and have status reports on the few on-going projects which the Subcommittee is overseeing (Brownsfields, Iron and Steel Web Site, Community Advisory Committee, Consolidated Reporting, and Alternative Compliance Strategy). Several hours will also be devoted to allowing the newly formed task forces time to organize and begin work on the identified projects.

For further information concerning this meeting of the Iron and Steel Sector Subcommittee, please contact Ms. Judith Hecht, alternate DFO, at EPA on (202) 260-5682 in Washington, DC or Bob Tolpa, at EPA Region 5 in Chicago on (312) 886-6706, or Dr. Mahesh Podar, DFO, at EPA on (202) 260-5711.

Inspection of Council and Subcommittee Documents

Documents relating to the above announcements will be publicly available at the meetings. Thereafter, these documents, together with the official minutes for the meetings, will be available for public inspection in room 2821M of EPA Headquarters, Common Sense Initiative Staff, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, telephone number 202-260-7417. Common Sense Initiative information can be accessed electronically on our web site at <http://www.epa.gov/commonsense>.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Cable Services Action Commission Announces Change of Date for En Banc Hearing on Industry Proposal For Rating Video Programming and on "V-Chip" Technology

June 19, 1997.

The en banc hearing on: (1) The joint proposal submitted to the Commission

on January 17, 1997 by the National Association of Broadcasters, the National Cable Television Association and the Motion Picture Association of America describing a voluntary system for rating video programming; and (2) video programming blocking technology, has been changed from June 20, 1997 to July 14, 1997. The en banc hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission meeting room, Room 856, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. The Commission will announce participants and a hearing format in the near future.

On February 7, 1997, the Commission issued a Public Notice seeking comment on the industry proposal. See Public Notice, Commission Seeks Comment on Industry Proposal for Rating Video Programming, CS Docket No. 97-55, FCC 97-34, Report No. CS 97-6 (February 7, 1997). Copies of the Public Notice, which attaches a copy of the industry proposal as an Appendix, may be obtained from the Commission's Public Reference Room, Room 239, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., from the Commission's Internet site (<http://www.fcc.gov/vchip>), or by calling ITS, the Commission's transcription service, at (202) 857-3800.

On April 23, 1997, the Commission announced that the en banc hearing would be held on June 4, 1997. See Public Notice, Commission Announces En Banc Hearing on Industry Proposal for Rating Video Programming and on "V-Chip" Technology, CS Docket No. 97-55, DA 97-857, 62 FR 24654 (May 6, 1997).

In order to provide interested parties an opportunity to respond to matters raised in the en banc hearing, the due date for surreply comments in CS Docket No. 97-55 is extended from July 7, 1997 to July 28, 1997.

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