

government jurisdictions that request Federal financial assistance for projects which have the potential for contaminating the aquifer system so as to create a significant hazard to public health. EPA does not expect to review small isolated commitments of Federal financial assistance on an individual basis, unless a cumulative impact on the aquifer is anticipated. Accordingly, the number of affected small entities will be minimal.

For those small entities which are subject to review, the impact of today's action will not be significant. Major projects subject to this review will be proceeded by a ground water impact assessment required pursuant to other Federal laws, such as the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) as amended 42 U.S.C. 4321, *et seq.* Integration of those related review procedures with SSA review will allow EPA and other Federal agencies to avoid delay or duplication of effort in approving financial assistance, thus minimizing any adverse effect on those small entities which are affected. Finally, today's action does not prevent grants of Federal financial assistance which may be available to any affected small entity in order to pay for the redesign of a project to assure protection of the aquifer system.

Under Executive Order 12866, EPA must judge whether a regulation is "major" and therefore subject to the requirement of a Regulatory Impact Analysis. This action is not major because it will not have an annual effect of \$100 million or more on the economy, will not cause any major increases in costs or prices, and will not have significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or the ability of United States enterprises to compete in domestic or export markets.

VII. Summary

This determination affects only the Guemes Island aquifer system located in Skagit County, Washington. As a result of this determination, all Federal financially-assisted projects proposed in the designated area will be subject to EPA review to ensure that they do not create a significant hazard to public health.

Dated: November 18, 1997.

Chuck Clarke,

Regional Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Ozone, Particulate Matter and Regional Haze Implementation Programs Subcommittee Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: On September 11, 1995 (60 FR 47172), the EPA announced the establishment of the Ozone, Particulate Matter and Regional Haze Implementation Programs Subcommittee under the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC). The CAAAC was established on November 8, 1990 (55 FR 46993) pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. app I). The purpose of the Subcommittee is to provide advice and recommendations on integrated approaches for implementing potentially new national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for ozone and particulate matter, as well as a regional haze program.

DATES: Open Meeting: Notice is hereby given that the Subcommittee for Ozone, Particulate Matter and Regional Haze Implementation Programs will hold its next public meeting on Wednesday, December 17, 1997 (from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) and Thursday, December 18, 1997 (from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.).

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside, Poydras at the Mississippi River, New Orleans, Louisiana, telephone: (504) 561-0500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on the Subcommittee for Ozone, Particulate Matter and Regional Haze Implementation Programs, please contact Mr. William F. Hamilton, Designated Federal Officer, at 919-541-5498, or by mail at U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, MD-15, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. When a draft agenda is developed, a copy can be downloaded from the: (1) Ozone/Particulate Matter/Regional Haze FACA Bulletin Board, which is located on the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards Technology Transfer Network (OAQPS TTN); (2) the OAQPS TTN Web Site (<http://www.epa.gov/ttn>); or (3) by contacting Ms. Denise M. Gerth at 919-541-5550.

Dated: November 21, 1997.

Henry Thomas,

Acting Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know; Availability of Guidance Documents

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: EPA has prepared several documents to assist industries to understand their compliance responsibilities in association with section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA). One of the documents being made available today is a revision to the EPCRA section 313 Questions and Answers document, which provides guidance to commonly asked interpretive questions. In addition to this document, several industry-specific guidance documents have been developed for facilities in industry groups recently added to the list of industries covered under EPCRA section 313. These documents are intended to assist these recently added industries understand requirements under EPCRA section 313 and more easily determine if their facility is likely to have any reporting responsibilities. The industry-specific guidance documents for the recently added industry groups are intended for use for activities beginning on January 1, 1998, with reports due on or before July 1, 1999.

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