DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Toxicology Program


Pursuant to Public Law 92–463, notice is hereby given of the next meeting of the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors’ Technical Reports Review Subcommittee on March 11, 1998, in the Conference Center, Building 101, South Campus, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), 111 Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m., and is open to the public. The agenda topic is the peer review of draft Technical Reports of long-term toxicology and carcinogenesis studies and shorter-term mechanistic studies in rodents on 50 Hz and 60 Hz magnetic fields (EMF) from the National Toxicology Program.

Background

The Department of Energy (DOE) and the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) in 1988 nominated 60 Hertz (Hz) (power line frequency) electric and magnetic fields (EMF) to the NIEHS/NTP for evaluation in NTP toxicology and carcinogenesis studies. This nomination was prompted by reports suggesting an association between EMF exposure and increased risk for childhood leukemia as well as reports on mammary tumors in rodent models for experimental carcinogenesis. In response, the NTP has conducted a series of conventional rodent toxicity and cancer studies. After the NTP studies started, the Congress passed an Energy Policy Act (Section 2118 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992; 42 USC 13478) which provided for an accelerated research program. Under this act, additional studies were conducted to explore the possibility that magnetic fields could promote breast cancer in rats.

Agenda

There will be an orientation to the NTP study process followed by peer review of the draft Technical Report of the two-year toxicology and carcinogenesis studies of 60 Hz EMF with exposure intensities and sham controls in both sexes of B6C3F1, mice and F344/N rats. The meeting will conclude with peer review of the draft Technical Report of two 13-week and one 26-week DMBA initiation/magnetic field promotion studies. Copies of the draft Reports may be obtained, as available, from: Central Data Management, MD E1–02, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (919/541–3419), FAX (919/541–3687), email: CDM@niehs.nih.gov. The Internet EMF RAPID Program web site is http://www.niehs.nih.gov/emfrapid/home.htm.

Public Comment

Persons wanting to make a formal presentation must notify the Executive Secretary by telephone, FAX, mail, or email no later than March 6, 1998, and, if possible, provide a written copy in advance of the meeting so copies can be made and distributed to all Subcommittee members, ad hoc expert consultants, and staff, and made available for attendees at the meeting. Written statements should supplement and may expand on the oral presentation. Oral presentations should be limited to no more than five minutes. The Program would welcome receiving toxicology and carcinogenesis information from completed, ongoing, or planned studies by others on electric and magnetic fields. Please contact Central Data Management at the address given above, and they will relay the information to the appropriate staff scientist.

The Executive Secretary, Dr. Larry G. Hart, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709 (telephone 919/541–3971; FAX 919/541–0295; email hart@niehs.nih.gov) will furnish an agenda, a roster of Subcommittee members and expert consultants, and a brief background/overview on the EMF studies program prior to the meeting. Summary minutes subsequent to the meeting will be available upon request to Central Data Management.


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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments due date: March 13, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval number and should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., OMB Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, Southwest, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-1305. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of the proposed forms and other available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department has submitted the proposal for the collection of information, as described below, to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The Notice lists the following information: (1) The title of the information collection proposal; (2) the office of the agency to collect the information; (3) the OMB approval number if applicable; (4) the description of the need for the information and its proposed use; (5) the agency form number, if applicable; (6) what members of the public will be affected by the proposal; (7) how frequently information submissions will be required; (8) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information submission including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response; (9) whether the proposal is new, an extension, reinstatement, or revision of an information collection requirement; and (10) the names and telephone numbers of an agency official familiar with the proposal and of the OMB Desk Office for the Department.

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Status: Reinstatement, without change
Contact: Paul Maxwell, HUD, (202) 708-3944; Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., OMB, (202) 395-7316
Date: February 4, 1998.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Meeting of the Klamath Fishery Management Council


ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), this notice announces a meeting of the Klamath Fishery Management Council, established under the authority of the Klamath River Basin Fishery Resources Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 460ss et seq.). The Klamath Fishery Management Council makes recommendations to agencies that regulate harvest of anadromous fish in the Klamath River Basin. The objective of this meeting is to develop management options for the 1998 Klamath fall chinook salmon season, to be presented to the Pacific Fishery Management Council. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The Klamath Fishery Management Council will meet from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 8.

PLACE: The meeting will be held at the Clarion Hotel, 401 E. Millbrae Ave., Millbrae, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Ronald A. Iversen, Project Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1006 (1215 South Main), Yreka, California 96097-1006, telephone (530) 842-5763.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For background information on the Klamath Council, please refer to the notice of their initial meeting that appeared in the Federal Register on July 8, 1987 (52 FR 25639).

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Temporary Closure of Selected Public Lands

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Temporary Closure of Selected Public Lands in Pac County, Arizona, during the Operation of the 1998 Whiplash Parker 200 Desert Race.

SUMMARY: The Lake Havasu Field Office announces the temporary closure of selected public lands under its administration La Paz County, Arizona. This action is being taken to help ensure public safety and prevent unnecessary environmental degradation during the official permitted running of the 1998 Whiplash Parker 200 Desert Race.