pipeline with one generating unit having an installed capacity of 224-kW. The applicant would use all the power generated for a proposed housing development. The average annual generation would be 1,726,000 kWh.

m. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* A2, A9, B1, and D4.

n. *Available Locations of Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208–1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address shown in item h above.

A2. Development Application—Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified deadline date for the particular application. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

A9. Notice of intent—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

B. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

D4. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

The Commission directs, pursuant to Section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice.

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title ''PROTEST'', ''MOTION TO INTERVENE'', ''NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION,'' ''COMPETING APPLICATION,'' ''COMMENTS,'' ''REPLY COMMENTS,'' ''RECOMMENDATIONS,'' ''TERMS AND CONDITIONS,'' or ''PRESCRIPTIONS;'' (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6158–8]

Proposed Stipulation of Settlement; Minor Amendments to Clean Air Act Conformity Regulations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed stipulation; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act (Act), notice is hereby given of a proposed stipulation of partial settlement in litigation instituted against the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) challenging EPA's third set of amendments to rules on determining conformity of federal actions to State Implementation Plans (SIPs). The Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) challenged several aspects of EPA's amendments to the transportation conformity rules issued under section 176(c) of the Act (62 FR 43780, Aug. 15, 1997). *EDF* v. *EPA, et al.*, D.C. Cir. No. 97–1637.

EPA has agreed to reconsider certain provisions of these amendments. These include a provision relating to grace periods for newly designated nonattainment areas which was overturned by the court in *Sierra Club* v. *EPA*, 129 F.3d 137 (D.C. Cir 1996), as well as several issues included in EDF's 1994 Petition for Reconsideration of the original conformity rule relating to time horizons for hot spot air quality analysis, growth assumptions to be used in regional conformity analyses, and credit for transportation control measures where implementation has been delayed. Therefore, EPA proposes to enter into a stipulation with EDF in which EPA will commit to take final action completing the reconsideration of the conformity regulations with respect to these issues by no later than January 1, 2000.

For a period of thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this document, the Agency will received written comments relating to the proposed stipulation of settlement. EPA or the Department of Justice may withhold or withdraw consent to the proposed stipulation if the comments

disclosed facts or circumstances that indicate that such consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the Act.

Copies of the proposed stipulation are available from Phyllis Cochran, Air and Radiation Division (2344), Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460, (202) 260–7606. Written comments should be sent to Sara Schneeberg at the above address and must be submitted on or before October 13, 1998.

Dated: September 2, 1998.

Scott C. Fulton,

Acting General Counsel.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6158–5]

Notice of Public Meeting: Workshop on Sulfate in Drinking Water

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), in coordination with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), will be holding a workshop on sulfate in drinking water to review and discuss the relevant scientific studies and literature as a basis for evaluating the dose-response relationship for sulfate, in particular for sensitive groups within the general population (e.g., infants, travelers). Information provided from the workshop will supplement the dose-response studies being conducted by CDC, in collaboration with EPA, on the health effects from exposure to high levels of sulfate in drinking water.

DATES: The workshop will be held at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia on Monday, September 28, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. EDT, and Tuesday, September 29, 1998, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. EDT. Members of the public may attend as observers at the workshop and provide comments during 30-minute periods on Monday and Tuesday. Individual comments should be limited to 3 to 5 minutes.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, which is located at 3340 Peachtree Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30326. To attend this workshop as an observer, please contact the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1–800–426–4791 or 703–285–1093 between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. EDT. There is no charge for attending this workshop as an observer, but seats are limited, so register as soon as possible. Each registrant will receive a preliminary agenda and logistical fact sheet. The Wyndham Garden Hotel is holding a block of rooms until Friday, September 11 at the special rate of $97 per day. Attendees should make their own room reservations by calling (404) 231–1234 and mention the ''Sulfate Workshop'' to get the special rate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information, please contact the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1–800–426–4791 or 703–285–1093 between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. EDT.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the workshop is to review and discuss the scientific data on adverse health effects of exposure to sulfate and the dose-response relationship of sulfate. The panel will consist of scientists with expertise in sulfate biochemistry, intestinal physiology, dose-response studies, and animal studies. The panel will discuss the following questions: (1) Do the studies suggest that a certain contaminant level would not be likely to cause adverse effects?; (2) Does the literature support acclimatization or resistance to sulfate?; and (3) Can an infant study be done for dose-response anywhere in the United States or Canada?. The product of this workshop will be a summary report of the discussion of each of the issues.

The Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended in 1996, requires EPA and CDC to jointly conduct an additional study to establish a reliable dose-response relationship for sulfate, including sensitive sub-populations (e.g., infants, travelers). The study must be based on the best available peer-reviewed science and supporting studies, be conducted in consultation with interested States, and be completed by February 1999. The workshop report will supplement results from this dose-response study.

Dated: September 3, 1998.

Cynthia C. Dougherty,

Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6159–3]

Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92–463, notice is hereby given that the Integrated Human Exposure Committee (IHEC) of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) will meet on Tuesday, September 29 and Wednesday, September 30, 1998, beginning no earlier than 9 am and ending no later than 6 pm on each day. All times noted are Eastern Time. All meetings are open to the public, however, due to limited space, seating at meetings will be on a first-come basis. The meeting will be held at the Hawthorne Suites—Research Triangle Park, 300 Meredith Drive, Durham, North Carolina, 27713. For directions, please call the hotel at 919–361-1234 (1–800–527–1133). For further information concerning the meeting, please contact the individuals listed below.

Purpose

The purpose of the meeting is to conduct an advisory on the National Human Exposure Assessment Survey (NHEXAS) and to receive a briefing on the National Health and Human Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES). There will be a series of panel discussions and presentations.

Charge

The IHEC has been asked to respond to the following Charge questions:

Charge Question #1: What are the strengths and weaknesses of multimedia, multipathway measurements of exposure as represented by the NHEXAS program, insofar as it can be defined at this point?

Charge Question #2: Are the ongoing and planned analyses appropriate and likely to further the goals of NHEXAS? At the level of each consortia? At the level of NHEXAS?

Charge Question #3: What actions would be likely to increase the utility of the information from NHEXAS? In the near-term? In the longer term?

Charge Question #4: What follow-up studies would be most useful in the near term, considering that key NHEXAS analyses will not be completed for a year? What is the appropriate balance between large population surveys and more targeted follow-up studies?