

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: EPA estimates that 15,430 facilities will complete the 1999 Hazardous Waste Report, resulting in an estimated respondent burden of 152,725 hours annually, and an estimated cost to respondents of \$6,415,568 annually. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Matthew Hale,

Acting Director, Office of Solid Waste.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Toxics Data Reporting Committee of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, EPA is providing notice of a meeting of the Toxics Data Reporting (TDR) Committee of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT). This will be the seventh meeting of the TDR Committee, whose mission is to provide advice to EPA

regarding the Agency's Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Program.

DATES: The public meeting will take place on October 21-22, 1998, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Written and electronic comments in response to this notice should be received on or before October 14, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Suite Hotel, 801 North Saint Asaph St., Alexandria, VA, (703) 836-4700.

All comments should be sent in triplicate to: OPPT Document Control Officer (7407), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Rm. G-099, East Tower, Washington, DC 20460. Each comment must bear the docket control number OPPTS-00252.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically to: oppt.ncic@epa.gov. Follow the instructions under Unit II. of this document.

No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail. All comments which contain information claimed as CBI must be clearly marked as such. Three sanitized copies of any comments containing information claimed as CBI must also be submitted and will be placed in the public record for this action. Persons submitting information on any portion of which they believe is entitled to treatment as CBI by EPA must assert a business confidentiality claim in accordance with 40 CFR 2.203(b) for each such portion. This claim must be made at the time that the information is submitted to EPA. If a submitter does not assert a confidentiality claim at the time of submission, EPA will consider this as a waiver of any confidentiality claim and the information may be made available to the public by EPA without further notice to the submitter.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

At the 2-day meeting, the TDR Committee will review and discuss drafts of their reports to EPA. The TDR Committee will also review the issues for discussion in the upcoming meetings.

Information on availability of meeting summaries from previous TDR Committee meetings will be available on the TRI Home Page. The address of the TRI Home Page is <http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/tri>. This information can be found under the heading "TRI Stakeholder Dialogue." In addition, the agenda for the October 21-22 TDR Committee meeting will also be available at this same site prior to the meeting. Oral presentations or statements by interested parties will be limited to 5 minutes. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Cassandra Vail, to schedule presentations before the TDR Committee.

II. Public Record and Electronic Submissions

The official record for this notice, as well as the public version, has been established for this action under docket control number OPPTS-00252 (including comments and data submitted electronically as described in this unit). A public version of this record, including printed, paper versions of electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as CBI, is available for inspection from 12 noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays in the official record. The official record is located in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, Rm. NE B-607, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at:

oppt.ncic@epa.gov

Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on disks in WordPerfect 5.1/6.1 or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket control number OPPTS-00252. Electronic comments on this action may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: October 6, 1998.

Cassandra Vail,

Designated Federal Official, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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