

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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National Environmental Justice Advisory Council Subcommittee on Health and Research Notification of Meeting and Public Comment Period; Open Meetings

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, we now give notice that the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) Subcommittee on Health and Research will meet on the dates and times described below. All times noted are Central Standard Time. All meetings are open to the public. Due to limited space, seating at the NEJAC meeting will be on a first-come basis. Documents that are the subject of NEJAC reviews are normally available from the originating EPA office and are not available from the NEJAC. The NEJAC Subcommittee meetings will take place at the Hyatt on Printer's Row, 500 S. Dearborn St. (312) 986-1234, Chicago, IL. The meeting dates are as follows: September 13, 1999 through September 15, 1999.

Registration for the meeting will begin on Monday, September 13, 1999 at 5 p.m. A public comment period to address community environmental health and health assessments is scheduled for Monday, September 13, 1999 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Subcommittee will convene Tuesday, September 14, 1999 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Wednesday, September 15, 1999 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Business will include discussion of community assessment protocols, the Community Environmental Assessment Decision Tree project, and the agenda for the May 2000 NEJAC meeting.

Any member of the public wishing additional information on the subcommittee meetings should contact the Designated Federal Official at the telephone number listed below.

Mr. Chen Wen—202/260-4109

Mr. Lawrence Martin—202/564-6497

Members of the public who wish to participate in the public comment period should register to do so by September 10, 1999. Individuals or groups making oral presentations during the public comment period should address their remarks to community environmental health and health assessments, and will be limited to a total time of five minutes. If you wish to submit written comments of any length (at least 15 copies), they should also be received by September 10, 1999. Comments received after that date will

be provided to the Subcommittee as logistics allow. Correspondence concerning registration and written comments should be sent to Chen Wen at EPA/OPPTS, 401 M St. SW (7409), Washington, DC 20460.

Dated: August 14, 1999.

Lawrence Martin,

Designated Federal Official, National Environmental Justice Advisory Council Subcommittee on Health and Research.

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[FRL-6425-8]

Jack's Creek/Sitkin Smelting Superfund Site De Minimis Settlement; Proposed Administrative Settlement Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The United States Environmental Protection Agency is proposing to enter into a *de minimis* settlement pursuant to section 122(g)(4) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9622(g)(4). This proposed settlement is intended to resolve the liabilities under CERCLA of Robert J. Clark, d/b/a Clark Trucking, for response costs incurred by the United States Environmental Protection Agency at the Jack's Creek/Sitkin Smelting Superfund Site, Maitland County, Pennsylvania.

DATES: Comments must be provided on or before September 20, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to the Docket Clerk, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19103, and should refer to: In Re: Jack's Creek/Sitkin Smelting Superfund Site, Maitland County, Pennsylvania, U.S. EPA Docket No. III-98-094-DC.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Isales (215) 814-2647, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Regional Counsel, (3RC42), 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19103.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Notice of De Minimis Settlement

In accordance with section 122(i)(1) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(i)(1), and section 7003(d) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d), notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement concerning the Jack's Creek/Sitkin Smelting Superfund Site in Maitland County, Pennsylvania. The administrative settlement was signed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and is subject to review by the public pursuant to this Notice. The agreement has been approved by the Attorney General, United States Department of Justice, or her designee, pursuant to section 122(g)(4) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g)(4). The Attorney General, or her designee, has also approved the agreement for the purpose of granting the covenant not to sue for damages to natural resources on behalf of the Department of the Interior ("DOI").

The settling party has agreed to pay \$2,000.00 to United States Environmental Protection Agency toward EPA response costs and \$500.00 to DOI for damages to natural resources, subject to the contingency that the Environmental Protection Agency may elect not to complete the settlement based on matters brought to its attention during the public comment period established by this Notice.

EPA is entering into this agreement under the authority of sections 122(g) and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g) and 9607. Section 122(g) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g), authorizes early settlements with *de minimis* parties to allow them to resolve their liabilities under, inter alia, section 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607, to reimburse the United States for response costs incurred in cleaning up Superfund sites without incurring substantial transaction costs. The grant of a covenant not to sue for damages to natural resources by DOI to those parties paying their share of such allocated costs is subject to agreement in writing by DOI pursuant to section 122(j) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(j).

The Environmental Protection Agency will receive written comments upon this proposed administrative settlement for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this Notice. Moreover, pursuant to section 7003(d) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d), the public may request a meeting in the affected area. A copy of the proposed Administrative Order on Consent can be obtained by contacting Daniel Isales,