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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is updating and revising, where appropriate, the EPA's Air Quality Criteria for Particulate Matter. Sections 108 and 109 of the Clean Air Act require that the EPA carry out a periodic review and revision, where appropriate, of the criteria and the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for the "criteria" air pollutants such as particulate matter. Details of the EPA's plans for the review of the NAAQS for PM were announced in a previous **Federal Register** notice (62 FR 55201, October 23, 1997).

Near the end of the comment period on the external review draft, Air Quality Criteria for Particulate Matter, the EPA will present the draft at a public meeting for review by the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC). There will be a subsequent **Federal Register** notice to inform the public of the exact date and time of that CASAC meeting.

The EPA is aware that a substantial number of new scientific studies on particulate matter are underway that will likely be completed and accepted for publication in time to be included in the final criteria document. To this end, the Agency encourages timely completion and submission of these studies for publication. Because the potential import of many of these additional studies cannot be assessed in the present draft, the Agency is requesting that the CASAC's and the public's comments on this external review draft focus particularly on the aspects of organization, structure, and presentation in the document, although comments on provisional conclusions and specific details are, of course, welcome.

Following the CASAC meeting, the EPA plans to incorporate revisions to the document in response to public comments and CASAC review of the first external review draft, and then to release a second external review draft for public comment and CASAC review in midyear 2000. For reasons discussed

above, the second draft may address a number of studies not completed in time for assessment in the first draft. Accordingly, the EPA urges that interested parties be prepared to review the second draft on that basis.

Findings and conclusions from the Air Quality Criteria for Particulate Matter will be used as key inputs to the preparation during 2000 of a draft EPA staff paper on airborne particles, which will pose possible options for the EPA Administrator to consider in regard to potential retention or revision of current PM NAAQS.

Dated: October 21, 1999.

**William H. Farland,**

*Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ON CONSENT FOR REMOVAL UNDER SECTIONS 104, 106(a), 107, AND 122 OF THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT PULVERIZING SERVICES SUPERFUND SITE, TOWNSHIP OF MOORESTOWN, NEW JERSEY

**AGENCY:** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed administrative order on consent and opportunity for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9622(i), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") Region II announces a proposed Administrative Order on Consent under sections 104, 106(a), 107, and 122 of CERCLA, relating to the Pulverizing Services Superfund Site ("Site") in the Township of Moorestown, Burlington County, New Jersey. This Site is not on the National Priorities List established pursuant to section 105(a) of CERCLA. This notice is being published to inform the public of the proposed Order and of the opportunity to comment on the proposed cost reimbursement provision of this Order.

The Administrative Order on Consent is being entered into by the Respondent, PPG Industries, Inc., and EPA. The Site

occupies approximately 24 acres in an industrial park in the Township of Moorestown, New Jersey. The Site was operated as a toll processing facility for the formulation of pesticides by several companies from approximately 1935 to 1979. Respondent owned and operated the Site from approximately 1948 to 1963.

The work portion of this Order will require the removal of soils contaminated with elevated levels of pesticides. Previous Orders at this Site have addressed site security, the removal of materials from buildings located on the Site, and the study of soil contamination at the Site.

Because of the existence of an orphan share of liability at the Site, pursuant to the EPA's Orphan Share Policy, EPA agrees in the proposed Order not to pursue the Respondent for unreimbursed past costs related to the Site and for future costs related to oversight of the proposed Order.

**DATES:** EPA will accept written comments relating to the proposed settlement on or before November 26, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to Delmar Karlen, Chief, New Jersey Superfund Branch, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10007-1866. Comments should reference the Pulverizing Services Superfund Site and EPA Index No. II-CERCLA-99-20389. For a copy of the Order, contact the individual listed below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alexandra Varlay, Assistant Regional Counsel, New Jersey Superfund Branch, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10007-1866, Telephone: 212-637-3144.

Dated: October 7, 1999.

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*Acting Regional Administrator.*

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## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection to be submitted to OMB for review and approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.