

coatings and coating components. Responses to the collection are mandatory under 40 CFR part 59, subpart B—National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Automobile Refinish Coatings.

The information collection includes initial and periodic reporting necessary for the EPA to ensure compliance with the promulgated federal rule for automobile refinish coatings. The rule will be enforced through random sampling of coatings to determine VOC content. All manufacturers and importers of coatings and coating components subject to this rule must submit an initial report. The initial report must include the name and mailing address of the manufacturer or importer. The rule requires that containers of all subject automobile refinish coatings and coating components display the date of manufacture or a code indicating the date of manufacture. All manufacturers and importers of subject coatings and coating components must submit an explanation of all date codes used on automobile refinish coating and coating component containers. Date code explanations can be submitted with the initial report. Thereafter, respondents must submit explanations of any new date codes within 30 days of their first use. The EPA is required under section 183(e) of the Clean Air Act (Act) to regulate VOC emissions from the use of consumer and commercial products. Pursuant to section 183(e)(3), the EPA published a list of consumer and commercial products and a schedule for their regulation (60 FR 15264). Automobile refinish coatings were included in Group 1 of the list, and the standards for such coatings were promulgated on September 11, 1998 (63 FR 48806). The reports required under the rule enable the EPA to identify all coating and coating component manufacturers and importers in the United States, and to determine which coatings and coating components are subject to the rule based on dates of manufacture. Agency enforcement personnel will use the information collected to identify manufacturers and importers subject to the rule and to determine which coatings and coating components are subject to the rule by dates of manufacture.

All information submitted to the EPA for which a claim of confidentiality is made will be safeguarded according to the Agency policies set forth in 40 CFR part 2, subpart B—Confidentiality of Business Information.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information

unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15. The **Federal Register** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on August 27, 1999 (64 FR 46906); no comments were received.

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.2 hours per response. 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.

**Respondents/Affected Entities:** Manufacturers and importers of coatings/components for Automobile Refinishing.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 10.

**Frequency of Response:** Annual.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 22 hours.

**Estimated Total Annualized Capital, Operating/Maintenance Cost Burden:** \$0.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1765.02 and OMB Control No. 2060-0353 in any correspondence. Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information, Collection Strategies Division (2822), 1200 Pennsylvania, NW, Washington, DC 20460; and Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: January 19, 2000.

**Oscar Morales,**

*Director, Collection Strategies Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6528-4]

### Board of Scientific Counselors, Executive Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C., App. 2) notification is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development (ORD), Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC), will hold an Executive Committee Meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on February 9-10, 2000. On Wednesday, February 9, the meeting will begin at 9 a.m., and will recess at 4:30 p.m. On Thursday, February 10, the meeting will reconvene at 8:45 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 1 p.m. All times noted are Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Washington Monarch Hotel, 2401 M Street, NW., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shirley R. Hamilton, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development, NCERQA (MC 8701R), 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 564-6853.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Agenda items will include, but not limited to: Discussion on ORD's Particulate Matter<sup>2.5</sup> Research Program and BOSC subcommittee Draft Reports on Particulate Matter, and SAB and BOSC subcommittee Review of ORD's Science to Achieve Results (STAR) Program. Anyone desiring a draft BOSC agenda may fax their request to Shirley R. Hamilton, (202) 565-2444. The meeting is open to the public. Any member of the public wishing to make a presentation at the meeting should contact Shirley Hamilton, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Research and Development (8701R), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; or by telephone at (202) 564-6853. In general, each individual making an oral presentation will be limited to a total of three minutes.

Dated: January 18, 2000.

**John C. Puzak,**

*Acting Director, National Center for Environmental Research and Quality Assurance.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[PB-402404-CN; FRL-6490-1]

### Lead-Based Paint Activities in Target Housing and Child-Occupied Facilities; Cherokee Nation Authorization Application

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On November 19, 1999, the Cherokee Nation submitted an application for EPA approval to administer and enforce training and certification requirements, training program accreditation requirements, and work practice standards for lead-based paint activities in target housing and child-occupied facilities under section 402 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). This notice announces the receipt of the Cherokee Nation's application, and provides a 45-day public comment period and an opportunity to request a public hearing on the application.

**DATES:** Comments, identified by docket control number PB-402404-CN, must be received on or before March 10, 2000. In addition, a public hearing request may be submitted on or before March 10, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and the public hearing request may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number PB-402404-CN in the subject line on the first page of your response.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeffrey Robinson, Regional Lead Coordinator, Environmental Protection Agency, Region VI, 6PD-T, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200, Dallas, TX 75202-2733. Telephone: 214-665-7577, e-mail address: robinson.jeffrey@epamail.epa.gov.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. General Information**

###### *A. Does this Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be

of interest to firms and individuals engaged in lead-based paint activities in the Cherokee Nation. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

###### *B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document or Other Related Documents?*

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "**Federal Register**--Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number PB-402404-CN. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, this notice, the Cherokee Nation's authorization application, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket is located at the EPA Region VI Office, Environmental Protection Agency, Multi-Media Planning and Permitting Division, Toxics Section, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, TX.

###### *C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments and Hearing Requests?*

You may submit comments and hearing requests through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number PB-402404-CN in the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments and hearing requests to: Environmental Protection Agency, Region VI, Multi-Media Planning & Permitting Division, Toxics Section, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200, 6PD-T, Dallas, TX 75202-2733.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments and hearing requests to: Environmental Protection Agency, Multi-Media Planning & Permitting Division, Toxics Section, 7th Floor, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, TX. The regional office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

3. *Electronically.* You may submit your comments and hearing requests electronically by e-mail to: "steele.eva@epamail.epa.gov" or mail your computer disk to the address identified above. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Electronic comments and hearing requests must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data and hearing requests will also be accepted on standard disks in WordPerfect 6.1/8.0 or ASCII file format. All comments and hearing requests in electronic form must be identified by docket control number PB-402404-CN. Electronic comments and hearing requests may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

###### *D. How Should I Handle CBI Information That I Want to Submit to the Agency?*

Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. You may claim information that you submit to EPA in response to this document as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public version of the official record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public version of the official record without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person identified under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.