

certification testing. In addition, Engelhard should present conclusive information regarding the specific formulation tested. Further, if more than one formulation is being certified, the EPA should require Engelhard to clearly identify each formulation and where it may appropriately be used. Engelhard has responded that in order to simplify certification, it will only utilize the catalyst formulation tested on the Cummins L-10 CPL-0777. Engelhard has provided confidential business information on the catalyst formulation used in certification testing. EPA finds it to be acceptable.

#### IV. Certification Approval

The Agency has reviewed this application, along with comments received from interested parties, and finds that this equipment reduces particulate matter emissions without causing urban bus engines to fail to meet other applicable Federal emission requirements. Additionally, EPA finds that installation of this equipment will not cause or contribute to an unreasonable risk to the public health, welfare or safety, or result in any additional range of parameter adjustability or accessibility to adjustment than that of the engine manufacturer's emission related part. The application meets the requirements for certification under the Retrofit/Rebuild Requirements for 1993 and Earlier Model Year Urban Buses (40 CFR 85.1401 and 85.1415).

#### V. Operator Requirements and Responsibilities

This equipment may be used immediately by urban bus operators who have chosen to comply with either program 1 or program 2 and who have applicable engines. Currently, operators having certain of the applicable engines who have chosen to comply with program 1 must use equipment certified to reduce PM emissions by 25 percent or more when those engines are rebuilt or replaced. Today's **Federal Register** document certifies the above-described Engelhard equipment as meeting this PM reduction requirement for all engine models listed in Table C herein. Urban bus operators choosing to comply with program 1 must use the certified Engelhard equipment (or other equipment that is certified in the meantime to reduce PM by at least 25 percent) for any Cummins engine that is listed in Table C that undergo rebuild. The requirement to use certified equipment demonstration a 25 percent reduction in PM for the Cummins engines listed is based on an earlier certification by the Cummins Engine

Company as published in a **Federal Register** document dated December 13, 1995 (60 FR 64048). The requirement remain until such time as the 0.10 g/bhp-hr standard is triggered for the applicable engines. For the engines included in the general class of "all other 4-stroke engines" as listed in Table C the requirement to use 25 percent reduction equipment will be based on EPA decision on the December 4, 1998 amendment request from Engelhard referenced earlier. In the December 4 request Engelhard submitted pricing information along with a guarantee that this equipment will be offered to affected operators for less than the incremental life cycle cost of \$2,000 (in 1992 dollars) for these engines. On July 30, 1999, a **Federal Register** document was published concerning this request to include life cycle costs (64 FR 41417). Comments have been received in response to the July 30 document and are currently being reviewed by EPA. If certified to comply with life cycle cost requirements, this equipment will trigger program requirements for the engines included in the general category of "all other 4-stroke engines" under program 1. Operators who choose to comply with program 2 and use the Engelhard equipment will use the appropriate PM emission level from Table C when calculating their fleet level attained (FLA).

As stated in the regulations, operators should maintain records for each engine in their fleet to demonstrate that they are in compliance with the requirements, beginning January 1, 1995. These records include purchase records, receipts, and part numbers for the parts and components used in the rebuilding of urban bus engines.

Dated: January 21, 2000.

**Robert Perciasepe,**

*Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.*

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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#### Adequacy Status of the Clark County, Nevada Submitted CO Attainment Plan for Transportation Conformity Purposes

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

**ACTION:** Notice of inadequacy determination.

**SUMMARY:** In this document, EPA is notifying the public that we have found that the submitted Clark County (Las Vegas, NV) serious area carbon monoxide (CO) attainment plan is inadequate for transportation conformity purposes. As a result of our finding, the Regional Transportation Commission and the Federal Highway Administration cannot use the CO motor vehicle emissions budgets from the submitted plan for future conformity determinations.

**DATES:** This determination is effective February 17, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The finding is available at EPA's conformity website: <http://www.epa.gov/oms/traq>, (once there, click on the "Conformity" button, then look for "Adequacy Review of SIP Submissions for Conformity"). You may also contact Karina O'Connor, U.S. EPA, Region IX, Air Division AIR-2, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105; (415) 744-1247 or [occonnor.karina@epa.gov](mailto:occonnor.karina@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

This document announces our finding that the *Carbon Monoxide Air Quality Implementation Plan for the Clark County Non-Attainment Area*, submitted by Nevada on October 6, 1999, is inadequate for transportation conformity purposes. EPA Region IX made this finding in a letter to the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection on January 12, 2000. We are also announcing this finding on our conformity website: <http://www.epa.gov/oms/traq>, (once there, click on the "Conformity" button, then look for "Adequacy Review of SIP Submissions for Conformity"). Transportation conformity is required by section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act. Our conformity rule requires that transportation plans, programs, and projects conform to state air quality implementation plans (SIPs) and establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they do. Conformity to a SIP means that transportation activities will not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's motor vehicle emission budgets are adequate for conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). One of these criterion is that the plan provide for attainment of the relevant ambient air quality standard by the applicable Clean Air Act attainment date. We have

preliminarily determined that the Clark County CO plan does not provide for attainment of the CO standards and therefore, cannot be found adequate.

We have described our process for determining the adequacy of submitted SIP budgets in guidance (May 14, 1999 memo titled "Conformity Guidance on Implementation of March 2, 1999 Conformity Court Decision"). We followed this guidance in making our inadequacy determination on the Clark County CO plan.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.

Dated: January 18, 2000.

**Laura Yoshii,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6532-1]

### Notice of Public Meeting and Extension of Time to Comment on the Interim Guidance on the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 101(10)(H) Federally Permitted Release Definition for Certain Air Emissions

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing a public meeting to be held on February 24, 2000 in Washington, DC and is also announcing an extension of time to comment on the Interim Guidance on the CERCLA Section 101(10)(H) Federally Permitted Release Definition for Certain Air Emissions.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to EPA, CERCLA Federally Permitted Release Definition, Docket Number EC-G-1999-029, Mail Code 2201-A, and mail to: 401 M Street, SW, Washington DC, 20460; or fax to: (202) 501-1011; or email to: [docket.oeca@epa.gov](mailto:docket.oeca@epa.gov). Commentors who want EPA to acknowledge receipt of their comments must mail a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** For further information regarding the public meeting and extension of time, please contact Beth Burchard, Environmental Protection Agency (Mail Code 2245A), 401 M Street, SW, EPA Headquarters, Washington, DC 20460; (202) 564-4177.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## Purpose of this Notice

The Environmental Protection Agency announces a public meeting to be held on February 24, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. at the Ariel Rios, South Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 6226, Washington, DC. The subject of the meeting will be the December 21, 1999 Interim Guidance on the CERCLA Section 101(10)(H) Federally Permitted Release Definition for Certain Air Emissions. The guidance discusses EPA's interpretation of the federally permitted release exemption as it applies to certain air emissions, responds to industry questions, and solicits public comment on the issues discussed in the interim guidance. The interim guidance was published in the **Federal Register** at 64 FR 71614 (Dec. 21, 1999).

The meeting in Washington, DC will include a brief overview of the interim guidance, followed by a question, answer and comment period. Those wishing to attend should call Beth Burchard at (202) 564-4177 no later than February 18, 1999 so that their names can be added to a security list. Attendees must bring a photo ID.

By publication of this notice the Environmental Protection Agency also announces an extension of time to submit comments on the interim guidance from February 22, 2000 to March 10, 2000.

**Eric Schaeffer,**

*Director, Office of Regulatory Enforcement.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6531-5]

### Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meetings

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that two committees of the USEPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) will meet on the dates and times noted below. All times noted are Eastern Time. All meetings are open to the public, however, seating is limited and available on a first come basis. *Important Notice:* Documents that are the subject of SAB reviews are normally available from the originating EPA office and are not available from the SAB Office—information concerning availability of documents from the relevant Program Office is included below.

## 1. Executive Committee of the SAB

The Executive Committee of the SAB will conduct a brief meeting on February 16, 2000 between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00 EST. The meeting will be held in Room 6013 in the Ariel Rios Building (adjacent to the Federal Triangle Metro exit on 12th Street), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. At this meeting the Executive Committee plans to review reports from some of its Committees/Subcommittee, most likely including the following:

(a) *Executive Committee Subcommittee:* "Review of the Agency's Position on the Data from the Testing of Human Subjects."

(b) *Executive Committee Subcommittee:* "Review of the Agency's Application of the Cancer Risk Assessment Guidelines to Children."

(c) *Executive Committee Subcommittee:* "Review of the Application of the Draft Cancer Risk Assessment Guidelines to the Case of Chloroform."

(d) *Research Strategies Advisory Committee joint report view with the Board of Scientific Counselors of ORD:* "Review of the Agency's Science to Achieve Results (STAR) Program."

Drafts of the reports that will be reviewed at the meeting should be available to the public at the SAB website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) by close-of-business on February 9, 2000.

*Public Comments*—Any member of the public wishing further information concerning the meeting or wishing to submit brief oral comments should contact Dr. Donald G. Barnes, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the Executive Committee, in writing, no later than close of business Friday, February 11th at USEPA Science Advisory Board (1400A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460; phone (202) 564-4533, fax (202) 501-0323; or via e-mail at [barnes.don@epa.gov](mailto:barnes.don@epa.gov). The oral comment period will be limited to 15 minutes total, with no more than three minutes per speaker or organization.

*Pre-Registration for Attendance*—Any member of the public who desires to attend the meeting must *pre-register* with Ms. Priscilla Tillery-Gadson no later than close of business on Friday, February 11th at (202) 564-4543 or via e-mail at [tillery.priscilla@epa.gov](mailto:tillery.priscilla@epa.gov). The site of the meeting (1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW) is a secure building and prior arrangements must be made for access by non-Federal employees.