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Acting Regional Administrator, Region 2.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Operating Industries, Inc. Landfill Superfund Site; Notice of Proposed CERCLA Administrative De Minimis Settlement

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice; request 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 Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is hereby providing notice of a proposed administrative *de minimis* settlement concerning the Operating Industries, Inc. Landfill Superfund site in Monterey Park, California (the "OII Site"). Section 122(g) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g), provides EPA with the authority to enter into administrative *de minimis* settlements. This settlement is intended to resolve the liabilities of 22 settling parties, 18 of which have a limited ability to pay, for the OII Site under CERCLA and section 7003 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. 6973. The settlement will also resolve OII Site-related claims by California Department of Toxic Substances Control against the settling parties. The settling parties will pay a total of \$1,080,602 toward OII Site response costs.

For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, EPA will receive written comments relating to the settlement. In accordance with section 7003(d) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d), commenters may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area. EPA will consider all comments it receives during this period, and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if any comments disclose facts or considerations indicating that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 18, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests for a public meeting should be addressed to the Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA

Region IX (ORC-1), 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, and should refer to: Operating Industries, Inc. Landfill Superfund Site, Monterey Park, CA, U.S. EPA Docket No. 00-09. The proposed settlement and additional background information relating to the settlement are available for inspection, and EPA's response to any comments received will be available for inspection, at the U.S. EPA Region IX Superfund Records Center, 95 Hawthorne Street, Suite 403 S, San Francisco, CA 94105; at the Bruggemeyer Memorial Library, 318 South Ramona Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754; the Montebello Regional Library, 1550 West Beverly Boulevard, Montebello, CA 90640; and the Chet Holifield Library, 1060 South Greenwood Avenue, Montebello, CA 90640. A copy of the proposed Administrative Order on Consent may be obtained from the Regional Hearing Clerk at the address provided above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

Meeting of the President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and summary agenda for a meeting of the President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST), and describes the functions of the Committee. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Date and Place: Friday, December 1, 2000, Washington, DC. This meeting will take place in the Truman Room (Third Floor) of the White House Conference Center, 726 Jackson Place, NW., Washington, DC.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Proposed Schedule and Agenda: The President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) is scheduled to meet in open session on Friday, December 1, 2000, from approximately 1:00-4:00 p.m., to

discuss (1) PCAST recommendations regarding the National Science and Technology Council, (2) lessons learned from the work of the President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology, (3) PCAST recommendations regarding science and technology capacity building abroad, (4) research misconduct, and (5) the Federal Government-University Research Partnership activities.

Public Comments: There will be a time allocated for the public to speak on any of the above agenda items. Please make your request for the opportunity to make a public comment five (5) days in advance of the meeting. Written comments are welcome any time prior to or following the meeting. Please notify Cynthia Chase, of the PCAST Executive Secretariat, at (202) 456-6100, or fax your requests/comments to (202) 456-6026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information regarding time, place, and agenda, please call Cynthia Chase, of the PCAST Executive Secretariat, at (202) 456-6100, prior to 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 30, 2000.

Information may also be available at the PCAST website at: <http://www.ostp.gov/PCAST/pcast.html>. Please note that public seating for this meeting is limited, and is available on a first-come first served basis.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology was established by Executive Order 12882, as amended, on November 23, 1993, September 29, 1995, September 29, 1997, and September 30, 1999. The purpose of PCAST is to advise the President on matters of national importance that have significant science and technology content, and to assist the President's National Science and Technology Council in securing private sector participation in its activities. The Committee members are distinguished individuals appointed by the President from non-Federal sectors. The PCAST is co-chaired by the Assistant to the President for Science and Technology and, by John Young, former President and CEO of the Hewlett-Packard Company.

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