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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) or Superfund, Section 104; "Announcement of Proposal Deadline for the Competition for the 2002 National Brownfields Assessment Demonstration Pilots"

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency.

ACTION: Notice of proposal deadlines,
revised guidelines.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA) will begin to accept
proposals for the National Brownfields
Assessment Pilots on October 5, 2001.
The brownfields assessment pilots (each
funded up to \$200,000 over two years)
test assessment models, and facilitate
coordinated assessment and cleanup
efforts at the federal, state, and local
levels (see Catalogue of Federal
Domestic Assistance Number: 66.811).

In fiscal year 2002, an additional
\$50,000 may be awarded to an applicant
to assess the contamination of a
brownfields site(s) that is or will be
used for greenspace purposes.
Greenspace purposes may include, but
are not limited to, parks, playgrounds,
trails, gardens, habitat restoration, open
space, and/or greenspace preservation.

EPA expects to select up to 38
additional National brownfields
assessment pilots by April 2002. The
deadline for new proposals for the 2002
assessment pilots is *December 10, 2001*.
All proposals must be postmarked by
USPS or delivered at U.S. EPA
Headquarters by other means, no later
than December 10, 2001, and a
duplicate copy sent to the appropriate
U.S. EPA Regional Office. Previously
unsuccessful applicants are advised that
they must revise and resubmit their
proposals to be considered for the 2002
National assessment pilot competition.

The National brownfields assessment
pilots are administered on a competitive
basis. To ensure a fair selection process,
evaluation panels consisting of EPA
Regional and Headquarters staff and
other federal agency representatives will
assess how well the proposals meet the
selection criteria outlined in the newly

revised application booklet *The
Brownfields Economic Redevelopment
Initiative: Proposal Guidelines for
Brownfields Assessment Demonstration
Pilots* (September 2001). The evaluation
panels make recommendations to EPA
senior management. Final award
decisions are made by EPA senior
management, and may take into account
policy considerations such as
geographic distribution of funds.
Applicants are encouraged to contact
and, if possible, meet with EPA
Regional Brownfields Coordinators.

DATES: This action is effective as of
October 5, 2001, and expires on
December 10, 2001. All proposals must
be sent via registered or tracked (return
receipt) mail and postmarked by USPS
no later than December 10, 2001.
Proposals must be sent to U.S. EPA
Headquarters and a duplicate copy sent
to the appropriate U.S. EPA Regional
Office. Applicants may also send their
proposals by commercial delivery
service provided the proposals arrive at
U.S. EPA Headquarters and the
appropriate U.S. EPA Regional Office on
or before close of business on December
10, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Mailing addresses for U.S.
EPA Headquarters and U.S. EPA
Regional Offices are provided in the
Proposal Guidelines.

Obtaining Proposal Guidelines: The
proposal guidelines are available via the
Internet: [http://www.epa.gov/
brownfields/](http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/)

Copies of the Proposal Guidelines will
also be mailed upon request. Requests
should be made by calling the U.S. EPA
Call Center at the following numbers:

Washington, DC Metro Area at 703-
412-9810

Outside Washington, DC Metro at 1-
800-424-9346

TDD for the Hearing Impaired at 1-800-
553-7672

In order to ensure that the Guidelines
are received in time to be used in the
preparation of the proposal, applicants
should request a copy as soon as
possible and in any event no later than
seven (7) working days before the
proposal due date. Applicants who
request copies after that date might not
receive the proposal guidelines in time
to prepare and submit a responsive
proposal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The
U.S. EPA's Office of Solid Waste and
Emergency Response, Outreach and
Special Projects Staff, (202) 260-4039.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As a part
of the Environmental Protection
Agency's (EPA) Brownfields Economic
Redevelopment Initiative, the

Brownfields Assessment Demonstration
Pilots are designed to empower States,
communities, tribes, and other
stakeholders in economic
redevelopment to work together in a
timely manner to prevent, assess, and
safely cleanup brownfields to promote
their sustainable reuse. EPA has
awarded cooperative agreements to
States, cities, towns, counties and Tribes
for demonstration pilots that test
brownfields assessment models and
facilitate coordinated public and private
efforts at the Federal, State, tribal and
local levels. To date, the Agency has
funded 399 Brownfields Assessment
Pilots.

EPA's goal is to select a broad array
of assessment pilots that will serve as
models for other communities across the
nation. EPA seeks to identify proposals
that demonstrate the integration or
linking of brownfields assessment pilots
with other federal, state, tribal, and local
sustainable development, community
revitalization, and pollution prevention
programs. Special consideration will be
given to Federal Empowerment Zones
and Enterprise Communities (EZ/ECs),
communities with populations of under
100,000, and federally recognized
Indian tribes. These pilots focus on
EPA's primary mission—protecting
human health and the environment.
However, it is an essential piece of the
nation's overall community
revitalization efforts. EPA works closely
with other federal agencies through the
Interagency Working Group on
Brownfields, and builds relationships
with other stakeholders on the national
and local levels to develop coordinated
approaches for community
revitalization.

Funding for the brownfields
assessment pilots is authorized under
Section 104(d)(1) of the Comprehensive
Environmental Response,
Compensation, and Liability Act of
1980, as amended, (CERCLA or
Superfund), 42 U.S.C. 9604(d)(1). States
(including U.S. Territories), political
subdivisions (including cities, towns,
counties), and federally recognized
Indian Tribes are eligible to apply. EPA
welcomes and encourages brownfields
projects by coalitions of such entities,
but only a single eligible entity may
receive a cooperative agreement.
Cooperative agreement funds will be
awarded only to a state, a political
subdivision of a state, or a federally
recognized Indian tribe.

Through a brownfields cooperative
agreement, EPA provides funds to an
eligible state, political subdivision, or
Indian Tribe to undertake activities
authorized under CERCLA section 104.
Use of these assessment pilot funds

must be in accordance with CERCLA, and all CERCLA restrictions on use of funds also apply to the assessment pilots.

The evaluation panels will review the proposals carefully and assess each response based on how well it addresses the selection criteria, briefly outlined below. Applicants should address all of the evaluation criteria. Responses to the evaluation criteria will be utilized to determine whether to make an award and the amount of funds to be awarded. All evaluation criteria are equally important. There is no guarantee of an award.

Part I (Required)

1. Problem Statement and Needs Assessment
 - Effect of Brownfields on your Community or Communities
 - Value Added by Federal Support
 2. Community-Based Planning and Involvement
 - Existing Local Commitment
 - Community Involvement Plan
 - Environmental Justice Plan
 3. Implementation Planning
 - Government Support
 - Site Selection and Environmental Site Assessment Plan
 - Reuse Planning and Proposed Cleanup Funding Mechanisms
 - Flow of Ownership Plan
 4. Long-Term Benefits and Sustainability
 - Long-Term Benefits
 - Sustainable Reuse
 - Measures of Success
- Part II (Optional)
5. Greenspace
 - Authority and Context
 - Community Involvement
 - Site Identification, Site Assessment Plan, Flow of Ownership, and Reuse Planning

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00740A; FRL-6806-5]

FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel; Announcement of Change of Public Meeting Date

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing a change in the date of a public meeting of the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel which was originally published in the **Federal Register** of September 12, 2001. The

meeting, to review the scientific applicability for use of an alternative test guideline for dermal sensitivity, was originally scheduled to be held on October 22, 2001 (the original title for the meeting was regulatory applicability of the local lymph node assay). The meeting date has been changed to December 11, 2001.

DATE: The FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel meeting will be held on December 11, 2001, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. The telephone number for the Sheraton Hotel is (703) 486-1111. Requests to participate may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I.C. of the originally published notice of September 12, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Lewis, Designated Federal Official, Office of Science Coordination and Policy (7202), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305-5369; fax number: (703) 605-0656; and e-mail address: lewis.paul@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 those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), FIFRA, and FQPA. 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**.

II. Purpose of this Notice

EPA is announcing a change in the date of a public meeting of the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel which was published in the **Federal Register** of September 12, 2001 (66 FR 47478) (FRL-6801-6). The meeting had originally been scheduled to be held on October 22 but has been changed to December 11, 2001.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: October 1, 2001.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Pesticides; Draft Guidance for Pesticide Registrants on Submitting Requests for Threshold of Regulation (TOR) Decisions and Draft Standard Operating Procedures for Making TOR Decisions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Agency is announcing the availability of and seeking public comment on a draft Pesticide Registration Notice (PR-Notice) entitled "Guidance for Submitting Requests for Threshold of Regulation (TOR) Decisions." PR-Notices are issued by the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) to inform pesticide registrants and other interested persons about important policies, procedures and registration related decisions, and serve to provide guidance to pesticide registrants and OPP personnel. This particular draft PR-Notice provides guidance to the registrant concerning procedures to use when a registrant or other person wants the Agency to determine whether a use of a pesticide in a location and manner that has the possibility of resulting in residues in food qualifies under the Agency's October 27, 1999 "Threshold of Regulation" policy. If EPA concludes a use is below the threshold of regulation, no tolerance or tolerance exemption would be required. The Agency also seeks public comment on draft Standard Operating Procedures for implementing the TOR policy.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket control number OPP-00725, must be received on or before December 4, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit V.A. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-00725 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vivian Prunier (7506C), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania