

help other public agencies in the future, and pointed out the need for EPA to continue to build strong partnerships with local governments that wish to adopt EMSs. Organizations interested in applying for the program described below are encouraged to learn more about the benefits that previous participants have realized through their EMSs by going to www.peercenter.net.

As a result of the successes of these efforts, EPA has recently launched the Public Entity EMS Resource Center Initiative (PEER). The PEER Initiative consists of two major components—(1) A national clearinghouse of EMS information geared to the particular needs of public agencies, especially local governments, located at www.peercenter.net and (2) a group of eight EMS Local Resource Centers (LRCs) around the country, housed in academic and other non-profit institutions, that can provide EMS assistance and training for public agencies in different areas around the country. A listing of these Local Resource Centers can be found at the Web site listed above. The national program described in this notice will compliment the work of the Local Resource Centers, help provide additional valuable for the information in the national clearinghouse described above, and maintain momentum for EMS adoption in the public sector.

II. Program Description

Participants in this program would be required to:

- (1) Develop an environmental management system (EMS) for an operation of their choosing, using the ISO 14001 International Standard as a baseline. Participants will be provided with information on the process, costs, and benefits of achieving 3rd party certification for their EMS, but will not be required to achieve certification;
- (2) Communicate and share information with local stakeholders as the EMS is developed;
- (3) Adopt performance objectives for the EMS that address compliance, environmental performance beyond compliance, and pollution prevention;
- (4) Share information about their EMS and other relevant information through the national clearinghouse of EMS information for public entities described above (www.peercenter.net).

The Global Environment and Technology Foundation (GETF), through a cooperative agreement with U.S. EPA, will work closely with each participant to help them meet these requirements, over a two year period beginning in late 2002. GETF will provide this assistance through regular

workshops involving all participants, site assistance visits for each participant, regular conference calls, and other written and electronic materials. In addition, participants will receive informal mentoring, as appropriate, from agencies that have participated in the two previous local government EMS initiatives sponsored by U.S. EPA.

III. Guidelines for Application

Organizations wishing to apply for this program need to:

1. Submit a letter of application to the person listed above in the summary of this Notice no later than September 30, 2002;

2. This letter should be signed by the head of the organization and contain the following information:

- A brief description of the organization and its responsibilities;
- The name of a top management representative who will have the responsibility and authority for ensuring that the EMS is developed based on the program description provided above. This person should be available to travel and participate in up to four workshops with other participants over the life of the project. These workshops will be held approximately every six months;
- A preliminary, non-binding indication of the particular operation for which the EMS will be developed (i.e. wastewater treatment plant, public works department, transit operation, etc.). If necessary, a final determination of the operation for which the EMS will be developed can take place once organizations have been selected for the program;
- A description of the reasons the organization wishes to participate in the program and some of the benefits it hopes to realize from adopting an EMS;
- Finally, a clear assurance that top management in the organization will provide the necessary visibility, staff time, and other resources necessary to successfully develop and implement the EMS through an EMS implementation team. Ongoing top management support is the most critical factor for ensuring a successful and sustainable EMS.

EPA funding will be provided through GETF and used to offset some of the costs of participating in the program, such as travel to workshops. However, participants will be asked to pay the majority of the costs of participation, through an agreement with GETF. This funding can be provided on a yearly basis. EPA believes the costs of

participation are competitive with costs incurred by other local governments to develop EMSs and that participation in this national program will provide significant benefits to each participant.

Once all applications are received, follow up interviews will be conducted by GETF with each applicant to discuss the information contained in their letter of application in more detail, along with any other information needed before final decisions on program participation are made. GETF will consult with EPA before final decisions are made. These final decisions are expected no later than November 20, 2002, after which GETF will work with each participant to schedule the first program workshop.

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Director, Office of Wastewater Management.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Clean Air Act Advisory Committee Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA),

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency established the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC) on November 19, 1990, to provide independent advice and counsel to EPA on policy issues associated with implementation of the Clean Air Act of 1990. The Committee advises on economic, environmental, technical scientific, and enforcement policy issues.

Open Meeting Notice: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. App.2 Section 10(a)(2), notice is hereby given that the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee will hold its next open meeting on Wednesday, October 30, 2002, from approximately 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Renaissance Mayflower Hotel, 1127 Connecticut Ave., NW., Washington, DC. Seating will be available on a first come, first served basis. Three of the CAAAC's four Subcommittees (the Linking Energy, Land Use, Transportation, and Air Quality Concerns Subcommittee; the Permits/NSR/Toxics Integration Subcommittee; and the Economics Incentives and Regulatory Innovations Subcommittee) will hold meetings on Tuesday, October 29, 2002 from approximately 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Renaissance Mayflower Hotel, the same location as the full Committee. The

Energy, Clean Air and Climate Change Subcommittee will not meet at this time. The schedule for the three Subcommittees meetings is: Linking Energy, Land Use, Transportation, and Air Quality—1 p.m. to 3 p.m.; Permits/NSR/Toxics—3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; and Economics Incentives and Regulatory Innovations—5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Inspection of Committee Documents: The Committee agenda and any documents prepared for the meeting will be publicly available at the meeting. Thereafter, these documents, together with CAAAC meeting minutes, will be available by contacting the Office of Air and Radiation Docket and requesting information under docket item A-94-34 (CAAAC). The Docket office can be reached by telephoning 202-260-7548; FAX 202-260-4400.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For Further Information concerning this meeting of the full CAAAC, please contact Paul Rasmussen, Office of Air and Radiation, US EPA (202) 564-1306, FAX (202) 564-1352 or by mail at US EPA, Office of Air and Radiation (Mail code 6102 A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004. For information on the subcommittee meetings, please contact the following individuals: (1) Permits/NSR/Toxics Integration—Debbie Stackhouse, 919-541-3554; and (2) Linking Transportation, Land Use and Air Quality Concerns—Robert Larson, 734-214-4277; and (3) Economic Incentives and Regulatory Innovations—Carey Fitzmaurice, 202-564-1667. Additional information on these meetings and for the CAAAC and its Subcommittees can be found on the CAAAC Web Site: www.epa.gov/oar/caaac/

Dated: August 8, 2002.

Robert D. Brenner,

Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2002-0207; FRL-7195-3]

Tribal Pesticide Programs Council; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Tribal Pesticide Program Council (TPPC), will hold a 2-day meeting, beginning on September 25, 2002, and ending on September 26, 2002. This notice announces the

location and times for the meeting and sets forth the tentative agenda topics.

DATES: The meeting will be held on September 25, 2002, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and September 26, 2002, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. On September 25 and 26 at 1:15 to 2:15 p.m., the Tribal caucus is closed to EPA and the general public.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held at the Silver Star Hotel and Casino at Pearl River Resort, Highway 16 West, Choctaw, MS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Georgia A. McDuffie, Field and External Affairs Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 605-0195; fax number: (703) 308-1850; e-mail address: mcduffie.georgia@epa.gov.

Lillian Wilmore, Tribal Pesticide Program Council Facilitator, P.O. Box 470829; Brookline Village, MA 02447-0829; telephone number (617) 232-5742; fax number: (617) 277-1656; e-mail address: naecology@aol.com.

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 Tribes with pesticide programs or pesticide interests. 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 and 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," "Regulations and Proposed Rules," 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 ID number OPP-2002-0207. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, 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 in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket ID number OPP-2002-0207 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. The PIRIB is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

3. *Electronically.* You may submit your comments electronically by e-mail to: opp-docket@epa.gov, or you can submit a computer disk as described above. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect 6.1/8.0/9.0 or ASCII file format. All comments in electronic form must be identified by docket ID number OPP-2002-0207. Electronic comments may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.