

length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The EPA SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. *Oral Comments:* In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at a face-to-face meeting will be limited to a total time of ten minutes (unless otherwise indicated). For teleconference meetings, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to no more than three minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Interested parties should contact the DFO at least one week prior to the meeting in order to be placed on the public speaker list for the meeting. Speakers may attend the meeting and provide comment up to the meeting time. Speakers should bring at least 35 copies of their comments and presentation slides for distribution to the reviewers and public at the meeting. *Written Comments:* Although the SAB accepts written comments until the date of the meeting (unless otherwise stated), written comments should be received in the SAB Staff Office at least one week prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the review panel for their consideration. Comments should be supplied to the DFO at the address/contact information noted below in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat, WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text files (in IBM-PC/Windows 95/98 format). Those providing written comments and who attend the meeting are also asked to bring 35 copies of their comments for public distribution. Should comment be provided at the meeting and not in advance of the meeting, they should be in-hand to the DFO up to and immediately following the meeting. The SAB allows a grace period of 48 hours after adjournment of the public meeting to provide written comments supporting any verbal comments stated at the public meeting to be made a part of the public record.

**Meeting Access—Individuals** requiring special accommodation at this meeting, including wheelchair access to the conference room, should contact Ms. Zisa Lubarov-Walton ([lubarov-walton.zisa@epa.gov](mailto:lubarov-walton.zisa@epa.gov)) or by telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-4533 at least five business days prior to the meeting date so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

**4. Solicitation of information on the Proposed Review Panel:** To provide the Agency with meaningful input, we have determined that the following expertise is needed for the review: toxicology

including carcinogenicity; biostatistics; epidemiology; pediatrics; radiation biology; risk assessment and the application of the Agency's risk assessment guidelines. As requested by EPA's ORD, the EPA Science Advisory Board's Environmental Health Committee, a standing committee of the Board, will conduct this review. The SAB EHC will be augmented with members from the SAB Radiation Advisory Committee, the FIFRA Science Advisory Panel (SAP) and the Children's Health Protection Advisory Council (CHPAC) to form the SGACS review Panel. By including members of the three EPA advisory bodies in the review of this document, the requesting office hopes to benefit from their unique expertise in children's risk assessment and to receive a peer review report which reflects the views of these bodies on the charge questions in an expedited manner. Therefore, we are not soliciting additional experts for this review.

The SAB Staff Office will post the names and biosketches for members of the review Panel on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>. The public has the opportunity to provide information, analysis or other documentation relevant to the membership of the panel before the SAB Staff Office makes a final decision. Information, analysis or documentation must be received by the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) no later than March 18, 2003. Please see the address/contact information noted above. The complete SAB process for panel formation described in the Overview of the Panel Formation Process at the Environmental Protection Agency Science Advisory Board, which can be found on the SAB's Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/ec02010.pdf>.

For the EPA SAB, a balanced review panel (*i.e.*, committee, subcommittee, or panel) is characterized by inclusion of candidates who possess the necessary domains of knowledge, the relevant scientific perspectives (which, among other factors, can be influenced by work history and affiliation), and the collective breadth of experience to adequately address the charge. Information provided by the public will be considered in the selection of the panel, along with information provided by candidates and information gathered by EPA SAB Staff independently on the background of each candidate (*e.g.*, financial disclosure information and computer searches to evaluate a nominee's prior involvement with the topic under review). Specific criteria to be used in evaluating an individual subcommittee member include: (a) Scientific and/or technical expertise,

knowledge, and experience (primary factors); (b) availability and willingness to serve; (c) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (d) scientific credibility and impartiality; and (e) ability to work constructively and effectively in committees.

Dated: February 26, 2003.

**Robert Flaak,**

*Acting Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7457-5]

### Science Advisory Board, Environmental Health Subcommittee; Request for Nominations for Additional Expertise for the Formaldehyde/ Acetaldehyde/Vinyl Acetate Toxicological Reviews (FAVATR) Panel

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Request for nominations.

**DATES:** All nominations are due by March 25, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. EPA Science Advisory Board (1400A), Suite 6450P EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001 (zip code for FedEx—20004)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Suhair Shallal, Designated Federal Officer, by telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-4566, by fax at (202) 501-0582; or via e-mail at [shallal.suhair@epa.gov](mailto:shallal.suhair@epa.gov). General information concerning the EPA Science Advisory Board can be found on the EPA SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**1. Background on the EPA Science Advisory Board:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) Science Advisory Board (SAB) is requesting nominations to add expertise to the Environmental Health Committee.

The SAB was established by 42 U.S.C. 4365 to provide independent scientific and technical advice, consultation, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. This panel will comply with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and all appropriate SAB procedural policies, including the SAB process for panel formation described in the Overview of the Panel Formation Process at the Environmental Protection

Agency Science Advisory Board, which can be found on the SAB's Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/ec02010.pdf>. Those selected to serve on the FAVATR panel will review the draft materials identified in this notice and respond to the charge questions provided below. Upon completion, the panel's report will be submitted to the SAB executive committee for final approval.

**2. Background on this Advisory Activity:** The Agency has requested that the SAB conduct a peer review of the set of three toxicological reviews including: formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, and vinyl acetate. The SAB has been asked to conduct this review because of their previous review of the draft formaldehyde risk assessment update (EPA-SAB-EHC-92-021), the precedent setting nature of the assessments using mode of action and biologically based models, and the high priority with respect to programmatic relevance of these documents.

Formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, and vinyl acetate are all listed as hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) on the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 and each is associated with significant ambient exposures. These assessments are required for each to support major regulatory initiatives and methods for program offices. Because of these priorities, all three have been listed for development of toxicological reviews to be included on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS).

An overview of the documents to be reviewed can be found on the EPA's National Center for Environmental Assessment website (<http://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/>). The final draft toxicological review for each chemical (Acetaldehyde, Formaldehyde and Vinyl Acetate) will be released in May 2003.

**3. Tentative Charge to the FAVATR Review Panel.** The overall charge to the FAVATR review panel is to review the set of three (3) IRIS toxicological reviews for consistency in application of the proposed revised cancer guidelines and principles of mode-of-action modeling, with special emphasis on: (a) Weight-of-the-evidence issues to identify key events; (b) the use of pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic data; (c) motivation for dose surrogate and effect measures; (d) model structures for interspecies dosimetric adjustment; (e) model structures for dose-response analysis; (f) data-derived uncertainty factors for interspecies and intrahuman variability; and (g) leveraging of data on critical health effects and model structure sharing between routes and across chemically-

related compounds to help inform alignment of the estimates.

**4. SAB Request for Nominations:** The EPA SAB is requesting nominations of individuals who are recognized, national-level experts in one or more of the following disciplines necessary to contribute to the charge questions to be addressed by the FAVATR review panel: (a) Inhalation dosimetry modeling (e.g., computational fluid dynamics (CFD) modeling), (b) physiologically based pharmacokinetic (PBPK) modeling, (c), (d) biologically-based dose-response (BBDR) modeling for cancer, (e) epidemiology, (f) biochemistry, (g) inhalation toxicology and respiratory physiology, (h) gastrointestinal tract toxicology and physiology, (i) pathology, (j) carcinogenesis, (k) respiratory biology and immunology, (l) toxicology (including, genetic, reproductive, developmental), (m) quantitative risk assessment, (n) biostatistics and mathematical modeling.

**5. Process and Deadline for Submitting Nominations:** Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified individuals to add expertise in the above areas for the FAVATR review panel. Nominations should be submitted in electronic format through the Form for Nominating Individuals to Panels of the EPA Science Advisory Board provided on the SAB website. The form can be accessed through a link on the blue navigational bar on the SAB website, [www.epa.gov/sab](http://www.epa.gov/sab). To be considered, all nominations must include the information required on that form.

Anyone who is unable to submit nominations in electronic format may contact Dr. Suhair Shallal at the mailing address given at the end of this notice. Nominations should be submitted in time to arrive no later than March 25, 2003. Any questions concerning either this process or any other aspects notice should be directed to Dr. Shallal.

The EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office will acknowledge receipt of the nomination and inform nominators of the panel selected. From the nominees identified by respondents to this **Federal Register** notice (termed the "Widecast"), SAB Staff will develop a smaller subset (known as the "Short List") for more detailed consideration. Criteria used by the SAB Staff in developing this Short List are given at the end of the following paragraph. The Short List will be posted on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>, and will include, for each candidate, the nominee's name and their biosketch. Public comments will be accepted for 21 calendar days on the Short List. During

this comment period, the public will be requested to provide information, analysis or other documentation that the SAB Staff should consider in evaluating candidates for the specific expertise to add to the FAVATR review panel.

For the EPA SAB, a balanced review panel (i.e., committee, subcommittee, or panel) is characterized by inclusion of candidates who possess the necessary domains of knowledge, the relevant scientific perspectives (which, among other factors, can be influenced by work history and affiliation), and the collective breadth of experience to adequately address the charge. Public responses to the Short List candidates will be considered in the selection of the panel, along with information provided by candidates and information gathered by EPA SAB Staff independently on the background of each candidate (e.g., financial disclosure information and computer searches to evaluate a nominee's prior involvement with the topic under review). Specific criteria to be used in evaluating an individual subcommittee member include: (a) Scientific and/or technical expertise, knowledge, and experience (primary factors); (b) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (c) scientific credibility and impartiality; (d) availability and willingness to serve; and (e) ability to work constructively and effectively in committees.

Short List candidates will also be required to fill-out the "Confidential Financial Disclosure Form for Special Government Employees Serving on Federal Advisory Committees at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency" (EPA Form 3110-48). This confidential form, which is submitted by EPA SAB Members and Consultants, allows Government officials to determine whether there is a statutory conflict between that person's public responsibilities (which includes membership on an EPA Federal advisory committee) and private interests and activities, or the appearance of a lack of impartiality, as defined by Federal regulation. The form may be viewed and downloaded from the following URL address: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/epaform3110-48.pdf>. Subcommittee members will likely be asked to attend at least one public face-to-face meeting and several public conference call meetings over the anticipated course of the advisory activity.

The approved policy under which the EPA SAB selects review panels is described in a recent SAB document, EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Panel Formation Process: Immediate Steps to Improve Policies and

Procedures—An SAB Commentary (EPA-SAB-EC-COM-002-003), which can be found on the SAB's Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/ecm02003.pdf>.

Additional information concerning the EPA Science Advisory Board, including its structure, function, and composition, may be found on the EPA SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>; and in the EPA Science Advisory Board FY2001 Annual Staff Report, which is available from the EPA SAB Publications Staff at phone: (202) 564-4533; via fax at: (202) 501-0256; or on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/annreport01.pdf>.

Dated: February 26, 2003.

**A. Robert Flaak,**

*Acting Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Public Information Collection(s) Requirement Submitted to OMB for Emergency Review and Approval

February 21, 2003.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before April 3, 2003. If you anticipate that you will be

submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contacts listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to Kim A. Johnson, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10236 NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-7232 or via Internet at [Kim\\_A\\_Johnson@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Kim_A_Johnson@omb.eop.gov), and Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-A804, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554 or via Internet to [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Les Smith at (202) 418-0217 or via Internet at [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *The Commission has requested emergency OMB review of this collection with an approval by March 14, 2003.*

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0055.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Application for Cable Television Relay Service Station Authorization, FCC Form 327.

*Form Number:* FCC 327.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit entities; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Number of Respondents:* 814.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 3.2 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion, annual, and five-year reporting requirements.

*Total Annual Burden:* 2,605 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* \$179,000.

*Needs and Uses:* On May 22, 2002, the FCC adopted a Report and Order (R&O), CS Docket No. 99-250, FCC 02-149, which expanded the class of those eligible to hold Cable Television Relay Service (CARS) licenses to all Multichannel Video Programming Distributors (MVPDs) and, thus, the reporting requirement is imposed on an additional group of persons. Previously, only cable systems and wireless cable systems (MDS and MMDS) were eligible for CARS licenses. CARS is principally a video transmission service used for intermediate links in a distribution network. FCC Form 327 consists of multiple schedules and exhibits, depending upon the specific action for which it is filed—initial applications are the most complete and renewal applications are the briefest. FCC Form 327 is the application for CARS microwave radio license.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene H. Dortch,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

February 24, 2003.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a current valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before May 5, 2003. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-A804, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554, or via the Internet to [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collection(s) contact Les Smith at 202-418-0217 or via the Internet at [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0647.