successful applicants will be required to certify that they have not been debarred or suspended from participation in Federal assistance awards in accordance with 40 CFR part 32.

H. Application Procedures

1. *Submission instructions.* All proposals should be mailed to: Georgia McDuffie, Environmental Protection Agency, Government and International Services Branch, Field and External Affairs Division, Office of Pesticide Programs, Mail Code 7506C, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001. The electronic copy should be e-mailed to*Mcduffie.Georgia@epa.gov*. To be considered, both the paper and electronic copy must be received by the due date.

As indicated above, each application must include the original paper copy of the submission, along with one electronic copy. The electronic copy of your application package, whether submitted separately by e-mail or on a disk, should be consolidated into a single file, and be in Word Perfect WP8/9 for Windows, or Adobe pdf 4/5 format. If mailing a disk, please use a 3.5 disk that is labeled as a proposal for the Tribal Pesticide Program Council, and include your pertinent information. Please check your electronic submissions to ensure that it does not contain any computer viruses.

2. *Notification.* The Government and International Services Branch, Office of Pesticide Programs, will mail acknowledgments to applicants upon receipt of the proposal. Once proposals have been reviewed, evaluated, and ranked, applicants will be notified regarding the outcome of the competition. A listing of the successful proposal will be posted on the Office of Pesticide Programs' web site: *www.epa.gov/pesticides/*. This website may also contain additional information about this notice including information concerning deadline extensions or other modifications.

I. Recipient Report Requirements

The successful recipient will be required to submit quarterly and annual reports, and to submit annual financial reports. The specific information contained within the report will include at a minimum, a comparison of actual accomplishments to the objectives established for the period.

J. Intergovernmental Review

Applicants must comply with the Intergovernmental Review Process and/or the consultation provisions of section 204, of the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act, if applicable, which are contained in 40 CFR part 29. All State applicants should consult with their EPA Regional office or official designated as the single point of contact in his or her State for more information on the process the State requires when applying for assistance; if the State has selected the program for review. If you do not know who your Single Point of Contact is, please call the EPA Headquarters Grant Policy Information and Training Branch at (202) 564–5325 or refer to the State Single Point of Contact web site at*http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/spoc.html*. Federally-recognized Tribal governments are not required to comply with this procedure.

V. Submission to Congress and the Comptroller General

Grant solicitations such as this are considered rules for the purpose for the Congressional Review Act (CRA). The CRA, 4 U.S.C. 801 *et seq*., as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (SBREFA), generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. This rule is not a "major rule" as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Grants, Pesticides, Training.

Dated: March 31, 2004.

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Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice; Announcing a Partially Open Meeting of the Board of Directors

TIME AND DATE: The open portion of the meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, April 14, 2004. The closed portion of the meeting will follow immediately the open portion of the meeting.

PLACE: Board Room, Second Floor, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

STATUS: The first portion of the meeting will be open to the public. The final portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE OPEN PORTION OF THE MEETING: Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka Capital Plan Amendment.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE CLOSED PORTION OF THE MEETING: Further Consideration of Various Disclosure Initiatives and Supervisory Issues Regarding Enhanced Securities Disclosure.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Mary Gottlieb, Paralegal Specialist, Office of General Counsel, by telephone at 202/408–2826 or by electronic mail at *gottliebm@fhfb.gov.*

Dated: April 7, 2004.

By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

John Harry Jorgenson,

General Counsel.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank