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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Members of the public wishing to gain access to the conference room on the day of the meeting or to obtain the teleconference phone number must contact Ms. Joanne Berman, Designated Federal Officer for the CAAC, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2224A), Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-7064, fax at (202) 564-7083; or via e-mail at

*berman.joanne@epa.gov*. The agenda and materials for the meeting will be available to the public upon request. Written comments from the public are welcome before, during or after the meeting. Individuals requiring special accommodation at this meeting, including wheelchair access to the conference room, should contact Ms. Berman at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: April 9, 2004.

**Michael M. Stahl,**

*Director, Office of Compliance.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-7647-9]

**National Environmental Justice Advisory Council's (NEJAC) Puerto Rico Subcommittee; Notification of Public Comment Meeting (All Times Are Eastern Standard Time)**

The Environmental Protection Agency Region II will sponsor a National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) Puerto Rico Subcommittee Public Meeting on Cumulative Risks and Impacts on May 7, 2004, in Ponce, Puerto Rico. Specifically, the public meeting will be held at the Inter American University—Ponce Campus, Room 123 Academic Building, located on Highway #1, Sabanetas Ward, Mercedita, Ponce. The meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. with a short presentation by the PR Subcommittee Chair on the draft report prepared by a work group of the NEJAC entitled Ensuring Risk Reduction in Communities with Multiple Stressors: Environmental Justice and Cumulative Impacts. The presentation will be followed by a public comment period pertaining to environmental justice issues associated to cumulative

risks and cumulative impacts on the island. The public meeting is scheduled to end at 8:30 p.m. A broad range of stakeholders and constituent groups from all of Puerto Rico are invited to participate to help develop general recommendations to address environmental justice issues related to cumulative risks and impacts on the island of Puerto Rico. A report and recommendations from the meeting will be prepared by the Puerto Rico Subcommittee and submitted to NEJAC for review and consideration in their final deliberations of the draft report. The NEJAC will then provide its comments to the EPA Administrator.

Members of the public who wish to make a brief oral presentation should pre-register by contacting Tere Rodríguez, Designated Federal Official, at (787) 977-5864 by May 4, 2004, to have time reserved on the agenda. Individuals or groups making oral presentations will be limited to a total time of five minutes. Written comments of no more than 10 pages should be received by May 4, 2004. Send your written comments to: Tere Rodríguez, Designated Federal Official (DFO) of the Puerto Rico Subcommittee, Caribbean Environmental Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Centro Europa Building, Suite 417, 1492 Ponce De Leon Avenue, Stop 22, San Juan, PR 00907-4127. After May 4, you should hand deliver 15 copies of your written comments to the DFO at the meeting. For more information please call (787) 977-5864.

**Tere Rodríguez,**

*Designated Federal Official, Puerto Rico Subcommittee, National Environmental Justice Advisory Council.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[OPPT-2003-0052; FRL-7323-8]

**TSCA Confidential Business Information; Revised Security Manual; Notice of Availability**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has adopted revisions to its procedures for handling confidential business information (CBI) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). These revised procedures are set forth in a new *TSCA CBI Protection Manual* for Federal employees and contractors, the

availability of which is announced by this notice.

**DATES:** The requirements of the revised TSCA CBI Protection Manual were effective January 28, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** The revised *TSCA CBI Protection Manual* is available for the public to view at the EPA Docket Center (Room B102), EPA West Building, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information contact: Barbara Cunningham, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: *TSCA-Hotline@EPA.gov*.

For technical information contact: Harry Lewis, Information Management Division (7407M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-8642; e-mail address: *lewis.harry@epa.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. General Information**

*A. Does this Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed to the public in general. 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 technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

*B. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?*

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPPT-2003-0052. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the EPA Docket Center, Rm. B102-Reading Room, EPA West, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to

4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The EPA Docket Center Reading Room telephone number is (202) 566-1744 and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket, which is located in EPA Docket Center, is (202) 566-0280.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. The revised TSCA CBI Protection Manual is available for the public to view at the EPA Docket Center (Room B102), EPA West Building, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

Certain types of information will not be placed in the EPA Dockets. Information claimed as CBI and other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute, which is not included in the official public docket, will not be available for public viewing in EPA's electronic public docket. EPA's policy is that copyrighted material will not be placed in EPA's electronic public docket but will be available only in printed, paper form in the official public docket. To the extent feasible, publicly available docket materials will be made available in EPA's electronic public docket. When a document is selected from the index list in EPA Dockets, the system will identify whether the document is available for viewing in EPA's electronic public docket.

Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. EPA intends to work towards providing electronic access to all of the publicly available docket materials through EPA's electronic public docket.

## II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

EPA is issuing this notice to announce the availability of the revised TSCA security manual for Federal employees and contractors. The revised TSCA CBI

Protection Manual supersedes the previous edition of the TSCA Confidential Business Information Security Manual (April 1995). The revised manual includes changes and refinements in existing procedures developed since the publication of the previous manual. Several changes to the manual have been made as a result of EPA's continuing efforts to improve the procedures for handling TSCA CBI. None of these changes reduce the overall level of protection afforded TSCA CBI. Changes and clarifications include the following examples: (1) Updated and detailed rules for working with TSCA CBI on computers, including use of the EPA TSCA CBI secure local area network; (2) clarification that, notwithstanding supplemental administrative access requirements, legal access to TSCA CBI is conferred to Federal employees with a job-related need under Section 14 of TSCA; (3) clause in the Preface providing the Director of the Information Management Division, OPPT, with the authority to grant exceptions to prescribed procedures in the Manual in justified "extraordinary circumstances;" (4) expansion of the working papers exemption to TSCA CBI Document Control Officer (DCO) recordkeeping from only allowing an author/creator exclusive physical possession of their personal papers, to allowing them to be under the author/creator's control while in the temporary physical possession of another TSCA CBI authorized person; (5) clarifying the authority of the OPPT DCO to delegate TSCA CBI mailouts and receipts to other DCOs at EPA Headquarters; (6) detailed guidelines incorporating mandatory criteria for working with TSCA CBI in a personal residence; (7) change from annual audits required for contractor DCOs, to contractor and Federal baseline comprehensive audits followed by quadrennial comprehensive audits and annual transaction audits; and (8) for new-access contractor employees, replacement of Minimum Background Investigation (MBI) with National Agency Check and Inquiry (NACI) investigation. The Agency's policy on revisions to TSCA CBI security manuals was announced in the **Federal Register** of November 14, 1985 (50 FR 47108). EPA is publishing this notice in accordance with the requirements of that policy. EPA is printing and distributing copies of the revised manual to affected EPA offices. The provisions of the revised manual were effective January 28, 2004.

## List of Subjects

Environmental protection,  
Confidential business information.

Dated: April 1, 2004.

**Charles M. Auer,**

*Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7648-1]

### Connecticut Marine Sanitation Device Standard; Receipt of Petition

Notice is hereby given that a petition has been received from the State of Connecticut requesting a determination of the Regional Administrator, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, pursuant to section 312(f)(3) of Public Law 92-500 as amended by Public Law 95-217 and Public Law 100-4, that adequate facilities for the safe and sanitary removal and treatment of sewage from all vessels are reasonably available for the area between Wamphassuc Point and Eastern Point, including portions of Fishers Island Sound, Pine Island Bay, Baker Cove, Mumford Cove, West Cove, Mystic Harbor, Mystic River, Quiambog Cove, lower portions of the Poquonnock River and lower portions of Palmer Cove in the State of Connecticut, to qualify as a "No Discharge Area" (NDA). The area covered under this petition extends from Eastern Point, Groton at (41°19'08.94" N by 72°04'31.09" W) due south to the boundary between Connecticut and New York at (41°15'54.55" N by 72°04'31.09" W), then northeasterly following the boundary between Connecticut and New York to (41°17'26.34" N × 72°01'10.94" W) then continuing northeasterly following the boundary between Connecticut and New York to (41°18'37.84" N × 71°55'47.63" W) then south east following the boundary between Connecticut and New York to a point due south of Wamphassuc Point at (41°18'28.99" N by 71°55'15.75" W), then due north past Noyes shoal to Wamphassuc Point (41°19'40.63" N by 71°55'15.75" W).

The State of Connecticut has certified that there are 13 pumpout units at 11 facilities located in Mystic, Noank, and Groton to service vessels within the proposed NDA. A list of the facilities, phone numbers, locations, and hours of operation is appended at the end of this petition. Of the 13 current facilities, nine are fixed shore-based facilities, two