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**Meeting Access:** Individuals requiring special accommodation for these public meetings, such as hearing impaired accommodations for the teleconference call or wheelchair access to the conference room for the face-to-face meeting, should contact the DFO at least five business days prior to the meeting, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### Science Advisory Board Staff Office Notification of Upcoming Meeting of the Science Advisory Board Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services (C-VPESS)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public meeting of the SAB's Committee on Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services (C-VPESS) to conduct an advisory on the EPA's draft Ecological Benefits Assessment Strategic Plan (EBASP) and to discuss issues concerning methods.

**DATES:** January 25-26, 2005. A public meeting of the C-VPESS will be held from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (eastern time) on January 25, 2005 and from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (eastern time) on January 26, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place at the SAB Conference Center, 1025 F Street, NW., Suite 3700, Washington, DC 20004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Members of the public wishing further information regarding the SAB C-VPESS meeting may contact Dr. Angela Nugent, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), via telephone at: (202-343-9981) or e-mail at: [nugent.angela@epa.gov](mailto:nugent.angela@epa.gov). The SAB mailing address is: US EPA, Science Advisory Board (1400F), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.,

Washington, DC 20460. General information about the SAB, as well as any updates concerning the meetings announced in this notice, may be found in the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Background:** Background on the SAB C-VPESS and its charge was provided in 68 Fed. Reg. 11082 (March 7, 2003). The purpose of the meeting is for the SAB C-VPESS to conduct an advisory on the EPA's draft Ecological Benefits Assessment Strategic Plan and to discuss issues concerning methods for valuing the protection of ecological systems and services. All of these activities are related to the Committee's overall charge, to assess Agency needs and the state of the art and science of valuing protection of ecological systems and services, and then to identify key areas for improving knowledge, methodologies, practice, and research.

**Availability of Review Material for the Meetings:** The Agenda for this meeting will be available from the SAB Staff Office Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/agendas.htm>. The review document that will be the focus of the January 25, 2005 meeting, EPA's draft Ecological Benefits Assessment Strategic Plan, will be available on the Web site of EPA's National Center for Environmental Economics: <http://yosemite.epa.gov/ee/epa/eed.nsf/pages/homepage>.

**Procedures for Providing Public Comment:** It is the policy of the EPA SAB Staff Office to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The SAB Staff Office expects that public statements presented at SAB 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). Interested parties should contact the Designated Federal Official (DFO) in writing via e-mail at least one week prior to the meeting in order to be placed on the public speaker list for the meeting. Speakers should bring at least 35 copies of their comments and presentation slides for distribution to the participants and public at the meeting. **Written Comments:** Although written comments are accepted 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 committee for their consideration. Comments should be

supplied to the appropriate DFO at the address/contact information above 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 98/2000/XP format)). Those providing written comments and who attend the meeting are also asked to bring 35 copies of their comments for public distribution.

#### Meeting Accommodations:

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Notification of Advisory Meeting of the Science Advisory Board Illegal Competitive Advantage Economic Benefit Advisory Panel

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Science Advisory Board (SAB) Illegal Competitive Advantage (ICA) Economic Benefit (EB) Advisory Panel will hold a public teleconference to finalize its draft advisory report to the Agency on economic methods related to assessing economic benefits attributed to non-compliance with EPA regulations.

**DATES:** January 19, 2005. The SAB ICA EB Advisory Panel will meet on January 19, 2005, via teleconference from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (noon) (Eastern Standard Time).

**ADDRESSES:** The public teleconference will take place via teleconference only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public who wishes to obtain the teleconference call-in numbers and access codes, would like to submit written or brief oral comments (3 minutes or less), or who wants further information concerning this public teleconference meeting should contact Dr. Jack Kooyoomjian, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), EPA SAB, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., (MC