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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the SAB Ecological Processes and Effects Committee will hold a public meeting to provide advice on a methodology for deriving water quality criteria for the protection of aquatic life based on chemical mode of action. The SAB was established by 42 U.S.C. 4365 to provide independent scientific and technical advice to the Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

**Background:** The Clean Water Act authorizes the EPA Administrator to develop and publish criteria for water quality that are protective of aquatic life. Traditionally, ambient water quality criteria for the protection of aquatic life have been derived using EPA's 1985 *Guidelines for Deriving Numerical National Water Quality Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life and Their Uses* (Guidelines). To ensure the protection of aquatic life and meet a goal of protecting and restoring ecological integrity, the Guidelines established comprehensive toxicity test data requirements for a variety of aquatic organisms and procedures for deriving a scientifically defensible criterion that protects the aquatic life designated use. However, some emerging contaminants, such as pharmaceuticals and personal care products exhibiting endocrine disrupting activity or other toxic mechanisms, have features that require additional consideration when applying the Guidelines. These chemicals may demonstrate low acute toxicity but cause significant reproductive effects at very low levels of exposure. In addition, the effects of exposure to aquatic organisms during the early stages of life may not be observed until adulthood. Therefore, traditional chronic toxicity test endpoints may not be sufficiently comprehensive for criteria derivation for these chemicals. These chemicals also have very specific modes of action that

may affect only certain types of aquatic animals (e.g., vertebrates such as fish).

EPA's Office of Water has developed a white paper describing technical issues in deriving aquatic life criteria for emerging contaminants and recommendations for developing such criteria. The white paper uses a model endocrine disrupter to illustrate issues relevant to the process. The Office of Water has asked the Science Advisory Board (SAB) to comment on scientific merit of the recommendations.

For this particular advisory the SAB Staff Office has invited several additional experts to augment the Ecological Processes and Effects Committee. Background information on the Committee formation process was provided in a **Federal Register** Notice published on May 2, 2008 (73 FR 24285-24286). The roster and biosketches of members of the Ecological Processes and Effects Committee Augmented for the Advisory on EPA's Aquatic Life Water Quality Criteria are posted on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**Availability of Meeting Materials:** A white paper describing the technical challenges and recommendations for deriving aquatic life criteria for emerging contaminants will be reviewed by the SAB Committee. The white paper will be posted on the EPA Office of Water Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/waterscience/criteria/aqlife.html>. The technical contact for the EPA's white paper is Mr. Joseph Beaman, EPA Office of Water. Mr. Beaman may be contacted by telephone at 202-566-0420 or via e-mail at [Beaman.joe@epa.gov](mailto:Beaman.joe@epa.gov). The agenda and other material for the upcoming public meeting will be posted on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**Procedures for Providing Public Input:** Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the SAB Panel to consider on the topics included in this advisory activity.

**Oral Statements:** In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public teleconference will be limited to three minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 30 minutes for all speakers. Individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to five minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of one hour for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Dr. Armitage, DFO, in writing (preferably via e-mail) at the contact information noted above, by June 16, 2008 to be placed on the list of public speakers for the teleconference, and by June 23, 2008

to be placed on a list of public speakers for the meeting.

**Written Statements:** Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office by June 16, 2008 for the teleconference and by June 23, 2008 for the meeting so that the information may be made available to the SAB Panel members for their consideration. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

**Accessibility:** For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Dr. Armitage at the phone number or e-mail address noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: May 28, 2008.

**Vanessa T. Vu,**

*Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8575-6]

### Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Notification of an Upcoming Meeting of the Science Advisory Board Asbestos Committee

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public meeting of the SAB Asbestos Committee to provide consultative advice on the Agency's proposed approach for the estimation of cancer potency factors for inhalation exposure to asbestos.

**DATES:** The meeting dates are Monday, July 21, 2008 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. through Tuesday, July 22, 2008 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time).

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the Embassy Suites Hotel, located at 1259 22nd Street, NW., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Members of the public who wish to obtain further information about this consultation may contact Ms. Vivian Turner, Designated Federal Officer (DFO). Ms. Turner may be contacted at

the EPA Science Advisory Board (1400F), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; or via telephone/voice mail, (202) 343-9697; fax (202) 233-0643; or e-mail at [turner.vivian@epa.gov](mailto:turner.vivian@epa.gov). General information about the EPA SAB, as well as any updates concerning the meeting announced in this notice, may be found on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the SAB Asbestos Committee will hold a public meeting to provide consultative advice on the Agency's proposed approach for the estimation of cancer potency factors for inhalation exposure to asbestos. The SAB was established by 42 U.S.C. 4365 to provide independent scientific and technical advice to the Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

**Background:** The EPA Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) has developed a proposed approach for an incremental improvement to the current method that EPA employs for estimating cancer risk from inhalation exposure to asbestos at Superfund sites. The proposed approach serves as an intermediate step in a larger Agency-wide review and update of its asbestos risk assessment. OSWER has requested the SAB provide consultative advice on its *Proposed Approach for Estimation of Bin-Specific Cancer Potency Factors for Inhalation Exposure to Asbestos*. After receiving advice from the SAB, OSWER plans to revise the proposed approach, and seek additional advice from SAB on the revised approach.

In response to OSWER's request, the SAB Staff Office announced that it was forming an Asbestos Committee in 71 FR no. 162 (pages 48926-48927) and 72 FR no. 207 (pages 60844-60845). The roster and biosketches of members of the Asbestos Committee are posted on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**Availability of Meeting Materials:** The draft Proposed Approach for Estimation of Bin-Specific Cancer Potency Factors for Inhalation Exposure to Asbestos to be reviewed by the SAB Asbestos Committee will be posted on the

OSWER Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/oswer/riskassessment/asbestos/2008>.

The EPA technical contact for this proposed approach is Mr. Stiven Foster, of EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response. Mr. Foster may be contacted by telephone at (202) 566-1911 or via e-mail at [foster.stiven@epa.gov](mailto:foster.stiven@epa.gov). The agenda and other material for the upcoming public meeting will be posted on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**Procedures for Providing Public Input:** Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the SAB Committee to consider on the topics under review. **Oral Statements:** In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to five minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of one hour for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Ms. Turner, DFO, in writing (preferably via e-mail) at the contact information noted above, by July 7, 2008 to be placed on a list of public speakers for the meeting.

**Written Statements:** Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office by July 7, 2008 so that the information may be made available to the SAB Panel members for their consideration. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

**Accessibility:** For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Ms. Turner at the phone number or e-mail address noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

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**Vanessa T. Vu,**

*Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8575-2]

### Meeting of the Total Coliform Rule Distribution System Advisory Committee—Notice of Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is giving notice of a meeting of the Total Coliform Rule Distribution System Advisory Committee (TCRDSAC). The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the Total Coliform Rule (TCR) revision and information about distribution systems issues that may impact water quality.

The TCRDSAC advises and makes recommendations to the Agency on revisions to the TCR, and on what information should be collected, research conducted, and/or risk management strategies evaluated to better inform distribution system contaminant occurrence and associated public health risks.

Topics to be discussed in the meeting include options for revising the Total Coliform Rule; for example, rule construct, monitoring provisions, system categories, action levels, investigation and follow-up, public notification, and other related topics. In addition, the Committee will discuss possible recommendations for research and information collection needs concerning distribution systems and topics for upcoming TCRDSAC meetings.

**DATES:** The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2008 (8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Eastern Time (ET)) and Thursday, June 19, 2008 (8 a.m. to 3 p.m., ET). Attendees should register for the meeting by calling Kate Zimmer at (202) 965-6387 or by e-mail to [kzimmer@resolv.org](mailto:kzimmer@resolv.org) no later than June 13, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at The Churchill Hotel, 1914 Connecticut Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20009.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information, contact Kate Zimmer of RESOLVE at (202) 965-6387. For technical inquiries, contact Sean Conley ([conley.sean@epa.gov](mailto:conley.sean@epa.gov), (202) 564-1781), Standards and Risk Management Division, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (MC 4607M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; fax number: (202) 564-3767.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting is open to the public. The Committee encourages the public's input and will take public comment starting at 5:30 p.m. on June 18, 2008, for this purpose. It is preferred that only one person present the statement on behalf of a group or organization. To ensure adequate time for public involvement, individuals interested in