ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
[FRL –9111–3]
Notice of Open Meeting of the Environmental Financial Advisory Board (EFAB)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Environmental Financial Advisory Board (EFAB) will hold a full board meeting on March 16–17, 2010. EFAB is an EPA advisory committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) to provide advice and recommendations to EPA on creative approaches to funding environmental programs, projects, and activities.

The purpose of the meeting is to hear from informed speakers on environmental finance issues, proposed legislation, Agency priorities and to discuss progress with work projects under EFAB’s current Strategic Action Agenda.


The meeting is open to the public, however, seating is limited. All members of the public who wish to attend the meeting must register in advance, no later than Monday, March 8, 2010.

DATES: Full Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 16, 2010 from 1:30 p.m.–5 p.m. and Wednesday, March 17, 2010 from 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Omni Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert Street, NW., Washington, DC 20008.

Registration and Information Contact: To register for this meeting or get further information please contact Sandra Keys, U.S. EPA, at (202) 564–4999 or keys.sandra@epa.gov. For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Sandra Keys. To request accommodations of a disability, contact Sandra Keys, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: February 1, 2010.
Joshua Baylson, Associate Chief Financial Officer.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
[FRL –9111–4]
Notice of a Project Waiver of Section 1605 (Buy American Requirement) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) to the Auburn, Indiana Department of Water Pollution Control (Auburn)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The EPA is hereby granting a project waiver of the Buy American requirements of ARRA Section 1605 under the authority of Section 1605(b)(2) [manufactured goods are not produced in the United States of a satisfactory quality] to Auburn for the purchase of a Hydroself model HS40 flushing gate system. This is a project-specific waiver and only applies to the use of the specified product for the ARRA funded project being proposed. Any other ARRA project that may wish to use the same product must apply for a separate waiver based on projectspecific circumstances. These flushing gates, which are supplied by Gabriel Novac & Associates Inc., are manufactured in Canada, and meet Auburn’s performance specifications and requirements. The Acting Regional Administrator is making this determination based on the review and recommendations of EPA Region 5’s Water Division. Auburn has provided sufficient documentation to support its request. The Assistant Administrator of the Office of Administration and Resources Management has concurred with the review. The appropriate agency, here EPA, determines that (1) Applying these requirements would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or (3) inclusion of iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

Auburn proposes to construct a “Long Term Control Plan Store-Treat Facility Project” at the Auburn Water Pollution Control Facility on Wayne Street in Auburn. The project is part of Auburn’s 20-year Long Term Control Plan to reduce combined sewer overflows (CSO’s). This project will provide storage volume for excess combined sewer flows in a storage tank during rain events which would have previously discharged to Cedar Creek. After the rain event, the excess sewer flow will be treated at the Water Pollution Control Facility. Proper maintenance of the storage tank will require periodic cleaning, to remove solids that settle at the bottom of the tank. Auburn proposes to use a flushing gate system to remove settled solids from the tank. The flushing gate system holds sewer overflow water in reserve in compartments at the upstream end of the storage tank. This flush water, released by a patented mechanism, gives rise to a high celerity wave that effectively removes all accumulated debris in basins and over flushway lengths longer than any other available method. The use of sewer...