initiative, the agency committed to holding a stakeholder meeting on preventing occupational hearing loss to elicit the views of employers, workers, and noise control and public health professionals. The meeting announced in this notice fulfills this commitment.

II. Stakeholder Meeting
The stakeholder meeting announced in this notice will be conducted as a group discussion on views, concerns, and issues surrounding the hazards of occupational exposure to noise and how best to control them. To facilitate as much group interaction as possible, formal presentations by stakeholders will not be permitted. The stakeholder meeting discussions will center on preventing occupational hearing loss and will include such subjects as the use of personal protective equipment, effective hearing conservation programs and the use of feasible engineering controls to control noise exposure in the workplace. The discussions will focus on topics such as noise control challenges and the best practices in construction, general industry and other sectors where noise is a hazard. The specific issues to be discussed will include the following:

• What are the best practices regarding hearing conservation programs?
• What are the best practices for, as well as concerns with, using personal protective equipment for noise control?
• What are the best practices for using feasible engineering controls?
• What are examples of companies that have effective noise control programs and what are the key elements of their programs?

Authority and Signature
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Signed at Washington, DC, on October 3, 2011.

David Michaels,
Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

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