

auxiliary engine used to power the broom or vacuum functions on two-engine sweepers.<sup>6</sup>

As stated above, EPA is offering the opportunity for a public hearing, and requesting written comments on issues relevant to a full waiver analysis. Specifically, please provide comment on: (a) Whether CARB's determination that its standards, in the aggregate, are at least as protective of public health and welfare as applicable federal standards is arbitrary and capricious, (b) California needs separate standards to meet compelling and extraordinary conditions, and (c) California's standards and accompanying enforcement procedures are consistent with section 209 of the Act.

## II. Procedures for Public Participation

If a hearing is held, the Agency will make a verbatim record of the proceedings. Interested parties may arrange with the reporter at the hearing to obtain a copy of the transcript at their own expense. Regardless of whether a public hearing is held, EPA will keep the record open until October 22, 2012. Upon expiration of the comment period, the Administrator will render a decision on CARB's request based on the record of the public hearing, if any, relevant written submissions, and other information that he deems pertinent.

Persons with comments containing proprietary information must distinguish such information from other comments to the great possible extent and label it as "Confidential Business Information" (CBI). If a person making comments want EPA to base its decision in part on a submission labeled CBI, then a non-confidential version of the document that summarizes the key data or information should be submitted for the public docket. To ensure that proprietary information in not inadvertently place in the docket, submissions containing such information should be sent directly to the contact person listed above and not to the public docket. Information covered by a claim of confidentiality will be disclosed by EPA only to the extent allowed and by the procedures set forth in 40 CFR Part 2. If no claim of confidentiality accompanies the submission when EPA receives it, EPA will make it available to the public without further notice to the person making comments.

<sup>6</sup> The definition of yard truck is at section 2025 and two-engine sweeper is defined at 2025(d)(58).

Dated: August 9, 2012.

**Margo Tsirigotis Oge,**

*Director, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, Office of Air and Radiation.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

**[Regional Docket Nos. V-2011-1, FRL9717-8]**

### Clean Air Act Operating Permit Program; Action on Petition for Objection to State Operating Permit for Georgia-Pacific Consumer Products

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

**ACTION:** Notice of final Order on petition to object to Clean Air Act (Act) Title V operating permit.

**SUMMARY:** This document announces that the EPA Administrator has denied a petition from the Sierra Club, the Clean Water Action Council and the Midwest Environmental Defense Center asking EPA to object to a Title V operating permit issued by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) to Georgia-Pacific Consumer Products (Georgia-Pacific).

Sections 307(b) and 505(b)(2) of the Act provide that a petitioner may ask for judicial review of those portions of the petition which EPA denies in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit. Any petition for review shall be filed within 60 days from the date this notice appears in the **Federal Register**, pursuant to section 307 of the Act.

**ADDRESSES:** You may review copies of the final Order, the petition, and other supporting information at the EPA Region 5 Office, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. If you wish to examine these documents, you should make an appointment at least 24 hours before visiting day. Additionally, the final Order for the Georgia-Pacific petition is available electronically at: <http://www.epa.gov/region7/air/title5/petitiondb/petitiondb.htm>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Genevieve Damico, Chief, Air Permits Section, Air Programs Branch, Air and Radiation Division, EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, telephone (312) 353-4761.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Act affords EPA a 45-day period to review and object, as appropriate, to Title V operating permits proposed by state

permitting authorities. Section 505(b)(2) of the Act authorizes any person to petition the EPA Administrator within 60 days after the expiration of the EPA review period to object to a Title V operating permit if EPA has not done so. A petition must be based only on objections to the permit that were raised with reasonable specificity during the public comment period provided by the state, unless the petitioner demonstrates that it was impracticable to raise issues during the comment period, or the grounds for the issues arose after this period.

On July 23, 2011, EPA received a petition from the Sierra Club, the Clean Water Action Council and the Midwest Environmental Defense Center (Petitioners) requesting that EPA object to the Title V operating permit for Georgia-Pacific. The Petitioners alleged that the permit is not in compliance with the requirements of the Act. Specifically, the Petitioners alleged that: (1) The permit lacks applicable prevention of significant deterioration (PSD) requirements because WDNR erroneously exempted as "routine maintenance, repair, and replacement" projects that resulted in a significant net emissions increase based on the applicable "actual to potential" emissions test; (2) the permit lacks applicable PSD and new source performance standard requirements that were triggered through non-exempt fuel switching and WDNR improperly deferred addressing this issue; and, (3) the permit lacks applicable requirements ensuring protection of air quality increments which apply pursuant to the Wisconsin state implementation plan and the PSD programs.

On July 23, 2012, the Administrator issued an Order denying the petition. The Order explains the reasons behind EPA's conclusion.

Dated: July 27, 2012.

**Susan Hedman,**

*Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

**[FRL-9719-3]**

### Good Neighbor Environmental Board Notification of Public Advisory Committee Teleconference

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

**ACTION:** Notification of Public Advisory Committee Teleconference.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the Good Neighbor Environmental Board (GNEB) will hold a public teleconference on March 22, 2012 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. The meeting is open to the public. For further information regarding the teleconference and background materials, please contact Mark Joyce at the number listed below.

*Background:* GNEB is a federal advisory committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92463. GNEB provides advice and recommendations to the President and Congress on environmental and infrastructure issues along the U.S. border with Mexico.

*Purpose of Meeting:* The purpose of this teleconference is to discuss the Good Neighbor Environmental Board's Fifteenth Report. The report will focus on water infrastructure issues in the U.S.-Mexico border region.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** If you wish to make oral comments or submit written comments to the Board, please contact Mark Joyce at least five days prior to the meeting.

*General Information:* Additional information concerning the GNEB can be found on its Web site at [www.epa.gov/ofacmo/gneb](http://www.epa.gov/ofacmo/gneb).

*Meeting Access:* For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Mark Joyce at (202) 564-2130 or email at [joyce.mark@epa.gov](mailto:joyce.mark@epa.gov). To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Mark Joyce at least 10 days prior to the meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: August 8, 2012.

**Mark Joyce,**

*Acting Designated Federal Officer.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9717-1]

### Science Advisory Board Staff Office Request for Nominations of Experts for the SAB Hydraulic Fracturing Advisory Panel

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office is requesting public nominations for technical experts to form an SAB ad hoc panel to provide advice through the chartered SAB on

EPA's research related to hydraulic fracturing.

**DATES:** Nominations should be submitted by September 11, 2012 per instructions below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this Notice and Request for Nominations may contact Mr. Edward Hanlon, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), SAB Staff Office, by telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-2134; by fax at (202) 565-2098 or via email at [hanlon.edward@epa.gov](mailto:hanlon.edward@epa.gov). General information concerning the EPA SAB can be found at the EPA SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>. Any inquiry regarding EPA's planned research efforts on the potential public health and environmental protection issues that may be associated with hydraulic fracturing should be directed to Ms. Cindy Roberts, EPA Office of Research and Development (ORD), at [roberts.cindy@epa.gov](mailto:roberts.cindy@epa.gov) or (202) 564-1999. Media inquiries regarding EPA's hydraulic fracturing research results should be directed to Dayna Gibbons, EPA ORD, at [gibbons.dayna@epa.gov](mailto:gibbons.dayna@epa.gov) or (202) 564-7983.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* The SAB (42 U.S.C. 4365) is a chartered Federal Advisory Committee that provides independent scientific and technical peer review, advice, consultation, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for EPA actions. As a Federal Advisory Committee, the SAB conducts business in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App. 2) and related regulations. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

Over the past few years, the public has expressed concern regarding the potential environmental impacts of hydraulic fracturing. In response, Congress urged EPA to study the potential impacts of hydraulic fracturing on drinking water resources. In February 2011, EPA published its *Draft Plan to Study the Potential Impacts of Hydraulic Fracturing on Drinking Water Resources*. The SAB reviewed this report and provided advice to the EPA Administrator (*SAB Review of EPA's Draft Hydraulic Fracturing Study Plan*). EPA-SAB-11-012, available on the SAB Web site at [http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/2BC3CD632FCC0E99852578E2006DF890/\\$File/EPA-SAB-11-012-unsigned.pdf](http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/2BC3CD632FCC0E99852578E2006DF890/$File/EPA-SAB-11-012-unsigned.pdf)).

EPA ORD is currently developing a "Progress Report: Potential Impacts of

*Hydraulic Fracturing on Drinking Water Resources*," expected to be released in December 2012, which will describe the status of its research on the potential environmental and human health implications of hydraulic fracturing. EPA is seeking SAB advice on the status of the research described in its Progress Report. EPA plans to use such advice for the development of a report of results, estimated to be released in 2014, which will also be reviewed by the SAB. The SAB Staff Office is establishing an ad hoc advisory panel to provide such advice and review under the auspices of the SAB. In addition, this SAB Panel may also provide advice on other technical documents and issues related to hydraulic fracturing upon further request by EPA.

*Request for Nominations:* The SAB Staff Office is seeking nominations of nationally and internationally recognized scientists and engineers having experience and expertise related to hydraulic fracturing, including but not limited to the following disciplines or areas of experience: Natural gas and petroleum engineering and geology; natural gas and petroleum well drilling, completion, testing, and closure; hydrology/hydrogeology; groundwater and surface water fate/transport modeling; geochemistry and analytical chemistry; environmental monitoring; conducting laboratory and/or field-based research in hydraulic fracturing; human health effects and risk assessment; civil and environmental engineering; chemical engineering; drinking water and waste water treatment systems; water quality; and statistics.

*Process and Deadline for Submitting Nominations:* Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified individuals in the areas of expertise described above. Nominations should be submitted in electronic format (preferred over hard copy) following the instructions for "Nominating Experts to Advisory Panels and Ad Hoc Committees Being Formed," <http://www.epa.gov/sab> provided on the SAB Web site. If you wish to nominate yourself or another expert, please follow the instructions that can be accessed through the "Nomination of Experts" link on the blue navigational bar at the SAB Web site <http://www.epa.gov/sab>. To <http://www.epa.gov/> receive full consideration, nominations should include all of the information requested below.

EPA's SAB Staff Office requests contact information about the person making the nomination; contact information about the nominee; the disciplinary and specific areas of