

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

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**Availability of FY 11 Grantee Performance Evaluation Reports for the Eight States of EPA Region 4 and 17 Local Agencies****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice of availability; Clean Air Act Section 105 grantee performance evaluation reports.

**SUMMARY:** EPA's grant regulations require the Agency to evaluate the performance of agencies which receive grants. EPA's regulations for regional consistency require that the Agency notify the public of the availability of the reports of such evaluations. EPA performed end-of-year evaluations of eight state air pollution control programs (Alabama Department of Environmental Management; Florida Department of Environmental Protection; Georgia Department of Natural Resources; Commonwealth of Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet; Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality; North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources; South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control; and Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation) and 17 local programs (City of Huntsville Division of Natural Resources, AL; Jefferson County Department of Health, AL; Broward County Environmental Protection and Growth Management Department, FL; City of Jacksonville Environmental Quality Division, FL; Hillsborough County Environmental Protection Commission, FL; Miami-Dade County Air Quality Management Division, FL; Orange County Environmental Protection Division, FL; Palm Beach County Health Department, FL; Pinellas County Parks and Conservation Resources, FL; Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District, KY; Forsyth County Environmental Affairs Department, NC; Mecklenburg County Land Use and Environmental Services Agency, NC; Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency, NC; Chattanooga-Hamilton County Air Pollution Control Bureau, TN; Shelby County Health Department, TN; Knox County Department of Air Quality Management, TN; and Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County Public Health Department, TN). The 25 evaluations were conducted to assess the agencies' Fiscal Year 2011 performance under the grants awarded by EPA under authority of section 105

of the Clean Air Act. EPA Region 4 has prepared reports for each agency identified above and these reports are now available for public inspection.

**ADDRESSES:** The reports may be examined at the EPA's Region 4 office, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, in the Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division. The Regional Office's official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 4:30, excluding federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marie Persinger (404) 562-9048 for information concerning the state and local agencies of Alabama and Kentucky; Artra Cooper (404) 562-9047 for the state and local agencies of Florida; Mary Echols (404) 562-9053 for the state agency of Georgia; Shantel Shelmon (404) 562-9817 for the state and local agencies of North Carolina; Angela Isom (404) 562-9092 for the state agencies of Mississippi and South Carolina; and Gwendolyn Graf (404) 562-9289 for the state and local agencies of Tennessee. They may be contacted at the Region 4 address mentioned in the previous section of this notice.

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**Notification of a Joint Public Teleconference of the Chartered Science Advisory Board and Board of Scientific Counselors****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a joint public teleconference of the Chartered SAB and Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) to discuss a draft report providing advice on implementation of Office of Research and Development's (ORD's) strategic directions for research.

**DATES:** The public teleconference will be held on September 19, 2012 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. (Eastern Daylight Time).

**ADDRESSES:** The public teleconference will be conducted by telephone only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing to obtain general information regarding the

quality review teleconference should contact Dr. Angela Nugent, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), EPA Science Advisory Board (1400R), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460; via telephone/voice mail (202) 564-2218; fax (202) 565-2098 or via email at [nugent.angela@epa.gov](mailto:nugent.angela@epa.gov). General information concerning the EPA Science Advisory Board can be found on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The SAB was established pursuant to the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act (ERDAA), codified at 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 BOSC was established by the EPA to provide advice, information, and recommendations regarding the ORD research program. The SAB and BOSC are Federal Advisory Committees chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that the SAB and BOSC will hold a joint public teleconference to discuss a draft report providing advice on implementation of ORD's new strategic directions for research. The SAB and BOSC will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

*Background:* ORD has restructured its research programs to better understand environmental problems and inform sustainable solutions to meet EPA's strategic goals. The restructured research programs comprise six program areas: Air, Climate, and Energy; Safe and Sustainable Water Resources; Sustainable and Healthy Communities; Chemical Safety for Sustainability; Human Health Risk Assessment; and Homeland Security.

ORD requested that the SAB work jointly with the BOSC to provide advice on implementation of ORD's strategic research action plans; efforts to strengthen program integration; and efforts to strengthen and measure innovation. The SAB and BOSC held a joint public meeting on July 10-11, 2012, to discuss implementation of ORD's six major research programs (77 FR 36273-36274). The SAB and BOSC will hold a public teleconference on September 19, 2012, to discuss their draft joint advisory report. Additional information about SAB and BOSC advice on implementing ORD strategic research directions can be found on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.