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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

### Agenda for the EQR Conference

RM10-12-000

(December 12, 2012)

9:00 a.m.–9:15 a.m. Greeting and  
Opening Remarks  
9:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Presentation on  
EQR, including Pre-Order No. 768  
Data Fields  
12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. Break  
1:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Presentation on  
Order No. 768, including New Data  
Fields  
4:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m. Closing Remarks

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2003-0004; FRL-9367-8]

### Access to Confidential Business Information by Abt Associates, Inc.

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has authorized its contractor, Abt Associates, Inc. (Abt) of Cambridge, MA, to access information which has been submitted to EPA under section 8 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be Confidential Business Information (CBI).

**DATES:** Access to the confidential data occurred on or about October 11, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For technical information contact: Timothy Kiely, Office of Chemical Safety & Pollution Prevention, Office of Pesticide Programs (7503P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 308-8112; fax number: (703) 308-8189; email address: kiely.timothy@epa.gov.

For general information contact: The TSCA-Hotline, ABVI-Goodwill, 422 South Clinton Ave., Rochester, NY 14620; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; email address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. General Information

#### A. Does this notice apply to me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be

of interest to all who manufacture, process, or distribute industrial chemicals. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### B. How can I get copies of this document and other related information?

EPA has established a docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2003-0004. All documents in the docket are listed in the docket index available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or, if only available in hard copy, at the OPPT Docket. The OPPT Docket is located in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) at Rm. 3334, EPA West Bldg., 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public Reading Room hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number of the EPA/DC Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket is (202) 566-0280. Docket visitors are required to show photographic identification, pass through a metal detector, and sign the EPA visitor log. All visitor bags are processed through an X-ray machine and subject to search. Visitors will be provided an EPA/DC badge that must be visible at all times in the building and returned upon departure.

### II. What action is the agency taking?

Under EPA Contract Number EP-W-12-001, contractor Abt of 55 Wheeler Street, Cambridge, MA is assisting the EPA in developing public information products for the 2012 Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) data. These products shall include individual fact sheets; a natural report with various descriptions of the data resulting from data queries and associated program analyses; trend analysis and other items.

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under EPA Contract Number EP-W-12-001, Abt requires access to CBI submitted to EPA under section 8 of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under

the contract. Abt's personnel were given access to information submitted to EPA under section 8 of TSCA. Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be CBI.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under section 8 of TSCA that EPA is providing Abt access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place at EPA Headquarters and Abt's Bethesda, MD and Cambridge, MA sites, in accordance with EPA's *TSCA CBI Protection Manual*.

Access to TSCA data, including CBI, will continue until November 30, 2016. If the contract is extended, this access will also continue for the duration of the extended contract without further notice.

Abt's personnel were required to sign nondisclosure agreements and were briefed on appropriate security procedures before they were permitted access to TSCA CBI.

### List of Subjects

Environmental protection,  
Confidential business information.

Dated: October 24, 2012.

**Matthew G. Leopard,**

Director, Information Management Division,  
Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2003-0004; FRL-9365-8]

### Access to Confidential Business Information by Eastern Research Group

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has authorized its contractor, Eastern Research Group (ERG) of Chantilly, VA, to access information which has been submitted to EPA under all sections of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be Confidential Business Information (CBI).

**DATES:** Access to the confidential data occurred on or about September 26, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For technical information contact: Leigh DeHaven, Office of Research and Development (8104R), Office of Science Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW.,

Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-1974; fax number: (202) 565-2911; email address: [dehaven.leigh@epa.gov](mailto:dehaven.leigh@epa.gov).

For general information contact: The TSCA-Hotline, ABVI-Goodwill, 422 South Clinton Ave., Rochester, NY 14620; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; email address: [TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov](mailto:TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. General Information

###### A. Does this notice apply to me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to all who manufacture, process, or distribute industrial chemicals. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

###### B. How can I get copies of this document and other related information?

EPA has established a docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2003-0004. All documents in the docket are listed in the docket index available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or, if only available in hard copy, at the OPPT Docket. The OPPT Docket is located in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) at Rm. 3334, EPA West Bldg., 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public Reading Room hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number of the EPA/DC Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket is (202) 566-0280. Docket visitors are required to show photographic identification, pass through a metal detector, and sign the EPA visitor log. All visitor bags are processed through an X-ray machine and subject to search. Visitors will be provided an EPA/DC badge that must be visible at all times in the building and returned upon departure.

##### II. What action is the agency taking?

Under EPA Contract Number EP-C-12-021, contractor ERG of 14555 Avion Parkway, Suite 200, Chantilly, VA, will assist the EPA in data analysis of data and reports provided by industry on hydraulic fracturing. The work includes preparation of technical analysis and technical information; and report preparation.

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under EPA Contract Number EP-C-12-021, ERG will require access to CBI submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract. ERG's personnel will be given access to information submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA. Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be CBI.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under all sections of TSCA that EPA may provide ERG access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place at EPA Headquarters and ERG's Chantilly, VA site, in accordance with EPA's *TSCA CBI Protection Manual*. Notice was also sent to each affected company by email on September 18, 2012, and receipt of this email has been confirmed by representatives of each company.

Access to TSCA data, including CBI, will continue until September 26, 2017. If the contract is extended, this access will also continue for the duration of the extended contract without further notice.

ERG's personnel will be required to sign nondisclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to TSCA CBI.

##### List of Subjects

Environmental protection,  
Confidential business information.

Dated: October 24, 2012.

**Matthew G. Leopard,**

*Director, Information Management Division,  
Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.*

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##### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL9752-3]

##### Cross-Media Electronic Reporting: Authorized Program Revision Approval, State of Vermont

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces EPA's approval of the State of Vermont's request to revise/modify certain of its EPA-authorized programs to allow electronic reporting.

**DATES:** EPA's approval is effective December 17, 2012 for the State of Vermont's National Primary Drinking Water Regulations Implementation program if no timely request for a public hearing is received and accepted by the Agency; and on November 16, 2012 for the State of Vermont's other authorized programs.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Evi Huffer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information, Mail Stop 2823T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 566-1697, [huffer.evi@epa.gov](mailto:huffer.evi@epa.gov), or Karen Seeh, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information, Mail Stop 2823T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 566-1175, [seeh.karen@epa.gov](mailto:seeh.karen@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On October 13, 2005, the final Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (CROMERR) was published in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 59848) and codified as part 3 of title 40 of the CFR. CROMERR establishes electronic reporting as an acceptable regulatory alternative to paper reporting and establishes requirements to assure that electronic documents are as legally dependable as their paper counterparts. Subpart D of CROMERR requires that state, tribal or local government agencies that receive, or wish to begin receiving, electronic reports under their EPA-authorized programs must apply to EPA for a revision or modification of those programs and obtain EPA approval. Subpart D provides standards for such approvals based on consideration of the electronic document receiving systems that the state, tribal, or local government will use to implement the electronic reporting. Additionally, § 3.1000(b) through (e) of 40 CFR part 3, subpart D provides special procedures for program revisions and modifications to allow electronic reporting, to be used at the option of the state, tribal or local