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*Worldwide Web (WWW).* In addition to being available in the docket, an electronic copy of today's notice will also be available through the WWW. Following the Director's signature, a copy of this action will be posted on EPA's greenhouse gas reporting rule Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/emissions/ghgrulemaking.html>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background on Today's Action.* In this action, the EPA is providing notice that it is extending the comment period on the notice titled "Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program: Publication of Aggregated Greenhouse Gas Data," which was published on June 9, 2014. The original deadline for submitting public comments on that notice was July 9, 2014. The EPA is extending that deadline to July 23, 2014. This extension will provide the public additional time to participate and comment.

Dated: July 1, 2014.

**Sarah Dunham,**

*Director, Office of Atmospheric Programs.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL 9913-52-OECA]

**National Environmental Justice Advisory Council; Notification of Public Teleconference Meeting and Public Comment**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notification of Public Teleconference Meeting and Public Comment.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby provides notice that the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) will host a public teleconference meeting on Thursday, July 17, 2014, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The primary topics of discussion will be (1) recommendations for EPA's environmental justice policy on Tribes and Indigenous peoples, (2) a follow-up discussion about additional recommendations about ensuring environmental justice in goods movement, and (3) updates from NEJAC workgroups.

There will be a public comment period from 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Members of the public are encouraged to provide comments relevant to the topics of the meeting.

For additional information about registering to attend the meeting or to provide public comment, please see the "Registration" and **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** sections below. Due to a limited number of telephone lines, attendance will be on a first-come, first served basis. Pre-registration is required. Registration for the teleconference meeting closes at Noon Eastern Time on Monday, July 14, 2014. The deadline to sign up to speak during the public comment period, or to submit written public comments, is also Noon, Monday, July 14, 2014.

**DATES:** The NEJAC teleconference meeting on Thursday, July 17, 2014, will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

*Registration:* Registrations will be processed at <<http://nejac-july2014.eventbrite.com>> When registering, please provide your name, organization, city and state, email address, and telephone number for follow up. Please also state whether you would like to be put on the list to provide public comment, and whether you are submitting written comments before the Monday, July 14, 2014, noon deadline. Non-English speaking attendees wishing to arrange for a foreign language interpreter may also make appropriate arrangements using the email address or telephone/fax number.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Questions or correspondence concerning the teleconference meeting should be directed to Jasmin Muriel,

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, by mail at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW. (MC2201A), Washington, DC 20460; by telephone at 202-564-4287; via email at [Muriel.Jasmin@epa.gov](mailto:Muriel.Jasmin@epa.gov); or by fax at 202-564-1624. Additional information about the NEJAC is available at: [www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/nejac](http://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/nejac).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

The Charter of the NEJAC states that the advisory committee shall provide independent advice to the Administrator on areas that may include, among other things, "advice about broad, cross-cutting issues related to environmental justice, including environment-related strategic, scientific, technological, regulatory, and economic issues related to environmental justice."

*A. Public Comment:* Members of the public who wish to provide public comment during the Thursday, July 17, 2014, public teleconference meeting must pre-register by Noon Eastern Time on Friday July 11, 2014. Individuals or groups making remarks during the public comment period will be limited to seven (7) minutes. To accommodate the number of people who want to address the NEJAC, only one representative of a particular community, organization, or group will be allowed to speak. Written comments can also be submitted for the record. The suggested format for individuals providing public comments is as follows: name of speaker; name of organization/community; city and state; and email address; brief description of the concern, and what you want the NEJAC to advise EPA to do. Written comments received by Noon Eastern Time on Monday, July 14, 2014, will be included in the materials distributed to the NEJAC prior to the teleconference. Written comments received after that time will be provided to the NEJAC as time allows. All written comments should be sent to Jasmin Muriel, EPA, via email at [Muriel.jasmin@epa.gov](mailto:Muriel.jasmin@epa.gov).

*B. Information about Services for Individuals with Disabilities:* For information about access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Jasmin Muriel, at (202) 564-4287 or via email at [Muriel.Jasmin@EPA.gov](mailto:Muriel.Jasmin@EPA.gov). To request special accommodations for a disability, please contact Ms. Muriel at least four working days prior to the meeting, to give EPA sufficient time to process your request. All requests should be sent to the address, email, or phone/fax number listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above.

Dated: June 30, 2014.

**Jasmin Muriel,**

*Designated Federal Officer, Office of Environmental Justice, U.S. EPA.*

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[FRL-9913-55-OAR]**

### **Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Request for Methyl Bromide Critical Use Exemption Applications for 2017**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency is providing notice of the process for submitting applications for critical use exemptions for 2017. Critical use exemptions are exceptions to the phaseout of production and import of methyl bromide, a controlled class I ozone-depleting substance. Critical use exemptions must be authorized by the Parties to the *Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer* and must be in accordance with the Clean Air Act. Applications received in accordance with this notice will be considered as the basis for submitting potential nominations for critical use exemptions to future Meetings of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol. Critical use exemptions allow production and import only in the year for which the Parties authorize them. All entities interested in obtaining a critical use exemption must provide EPA with technical and economic information to support a "critical use" claim by the deadline specified in this notice even if they have applied for an exemption in previous years.

**DATES:** Applications for critical use exemptions must be submitted to EPA no later than September 30, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications for the methyl bromide critical use exemption can also be submitted by U.S. mail to: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air and Radiation, Stratospheric Protection Division, Attention Methyl Bromide Team, Mail Code 6205M, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460.

**Confidentiality:** Application materials that are confidential should be submitted under separate cover and be clearly identified as "confidential business information." Information covered by a claim of business confidentiality will be treated in accordance with the procedures for

handling information claimed as confidential under 40 CFR part 2, subpart B, and will be disclosed only to the extent and by means of the procedures set forth in that subpart. If no claim of confidentiality accompanies the information when it is received by EPA, the information may be made available to the public by EPA without further notice to the company (40 CFR 2.203). EPA may place a copy of Worksheet 6 in the public domain. Any information on Worksheet 6 shall not be considered confidential and will not be treated as such by the Agency.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

*General Information:* U.S. EPA Stratospheric Ozone Information Hotline, 1-800-296-1996; also [www.epa.gov/ozone/mbr](http://www.epa.gov/ozone/mbr).

*Technical Information:* Bill Chism, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Programs (7503P), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460, 703-308-8136. Email: [chism.bill@epa.gov](mailto:chism.bill@epa.gov).

*Regulatory Information:* Jeremy Arling, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Stratospheric Protection Division (6205M), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460, 202-343-9055. EPA encourages users to submit their applications electronically to [arling.jeremy@epa.gov](mailto:arling.jeremy@epa.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Background on the Critical Use Exemption**

The *Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer* is the international agreement aimed at reducing and eliminating the production and consumption of stratospheric ozone-depleting substances. Methyl bromide was added to the Protocol as an ozone-depleting substance in 1992 through the Copenhagen Amendment.

The Protocol provides that the Parties may exempt "the level of production or consumption that is necessary to satisfy uses agreed by them to be critical uses" (Art. 2H para 5). The Parties to the Protocol included this language in the treaty's methyl bromide phaseout provisions in recognition that alternatives might not be available by 2005 for certain uses of methyl bromide agreed by the Parties to be "critical uses."

In their Ninth Meeting (1997), the Parties agreed to Decision IX/6, setting forth the following criteria for a "critical use" determination and an exemption from the production and consumption phaseout:

(a) That a use of methyl bromide should qualify as "critical" only if the nominating Party determines that:

(i) The specific use is critical because the lack of availability of methyl bromide for that use would result in a significant market disruption; and  
(ii) There are no technically and economically feasible alternatives or substitutes available to the user that are acceptable from the standpoint of environment and health and are suitable to the crops and circumstances of the nomination.

(b) That production and consumption, if any, of methyl bromide for a critical use should be permitted only if:

(i) All technically and economically feasible steps have been taken to minimize the critical use and any associated emission of methyl bromide;  
(ii) Methyl bromide is not available in sufficient quantity and quality from existing stocks of banked or recycled methyl bromide, also bearing in mind the developing countries' need for methyl bromide;

(iii) It is demonstrated that an appropriate effort is being made to evaluate, commercialize and secure national regulatory approval of alternatives and substitutes, taking into consideration the circumstances of the particular nomination. . . . Non-Article 5 Parties [which includes the U.S.] must demonstrate that research programs are in place to develop and deploy alternatives and substitutes. . . .

In 1998, Congress amended the Clean Air Act to require EPA to conform the U.S. phaseout schedule for methyl bromide to the provisions of the Protocol and to allow EPA to provide a critical use exemption. These amendments were codified in Section 604 of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7671c. Under EPA implementing regulations, the production and consumption of methyl bromide was phased out as of January 1, 2005. Section 604(d)(6), as added in 1998, allows EPA to exempt the production and import of methyl bromide from the phaseout for critical uses, to the extent consistent with the Montreal Protocol. EPA has defined "critical use" at 40 CFR 82.3 based on the criteria in Decision IX/6.

EPA regulations at 40 CFR 82.4 prohibit the production and import of methyl bromide in excess of the amount of unexpended critical use allowances held by the producer or importer, unless authorized under a separate exemption. Methyl bromide produced or imported by expending critical use allowances may be used only for the appropriate category of approved critical uses as listed in Appendix L to the regulations (40 CFR 82.4(p)(2)). The use of methyl bromide that was produced or imported through the expenditure of production