ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Farm, Ranch, and Rural Communities Advisory Committee (FRRCC); Notice of Virtual Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing a virtual, open, public meeting of the Farm, Ranch, and Rural Communities Advisory Committee (FRRCC) on November 12–13, 2020, with remote participation only. There will be no in-person gathering for this meeting.

DATES: This virtual public meeting will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2020, from 11 a.m. to approximately 5 p.m., and Friday, November 13, 2020, from 11 a.m. to approximately 5 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time. Members of the public seeking to view the meeting (but not provide oral comments) may register any time prior to the meeting. Members of the public seeking to make oral comments during the virtual meeting must register and contact the Designated Federal Officer directly by 12 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on November 7, 2020 to be placed on a list of registered commenters and receive special instructions for participation.

ADDRESSES: To register and receive information on how to attend this virtual meeting, please visit: https://www.epa.gov/faca/farm-ranch-and-rural-communities-federal-advisory-committee-frrcc-meeting-calendar. Attendees must register online prior to the meeting to receive instructions for participation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rebecca Perrin, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), at FRRCC@epa.gov or 202–564–7719. Please note that, due to Coronavirus (COVID–19), there are currently practical limitations on the ability of EPA personnel to collect and respond to mailed “hard copy” correspondence. General information regarding the FRRCC can be found on the EPA website at: www.epa.gov/faca/frrcc.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

The purpose of the FRRCC is to provide policy advice, information, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on a range of environmental issues and policies that are of importance to agriculture and rural communities. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss topics of relevance to agriculture and rural communities, specifically the two charge topics (1) creating a holistic pesticide program for the future and (2) supporting interagency environmental benchmarks with interagency partners on the issues of water quality and quantity and food loss and waste. A copy of the FRRCC charges and meeting agenda will be posted at www.epa.gov/faca/frrcc. This will be the second public meeting of the membership of the FRRCC which was newly appointed in June of 2020. Potentially interested entities may include: Farmers, ranchers, and rural communities and their allied industries; as well as the academic/research community who research environmental issues impacting agriculture; state, local, and tribal government agencies; and nongovernmental organizations.

II. How do I participate in the virtual public meeting?

A. Virtual Meeting

This meeting will be conducted as a virtual conference. You may attend by registering online before the meeting to receive information on how to participate. You may also submit written or oral comments for the committee by contacting the DFO directly per the processes outlined below.

B. Registration

Attendees should register via the link on this website prior to the meeting in order to receive information on how to participate in the virtual meeting: https://www.epa.gov/faca/farm-ranch-and-rural-communities-federal-advisory-committee-frrcc-meeting-calendar.

C. Procedures for Providing Public Comments

Oral Statements: In general, oral comments at this virtual conference will be limited to the Public Comments portions of the Meeting Agenda. Members of the public may provide oral comments limited to three minutes per individual or group, and submit further information in written comments. Persons interested in providing oral statements should register as attendees at the link provided above, and also contact the DFO directly at FRRCC@epa.gov by 12:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on November 7, 2020 to be placed on the list of registered speakers and receive special instructions for participation. Oral commenters will be provided an opportunity to speak in the order in which their request was received by the DFO.

Written Statements: Persons interested in providing written statements pertaining to this committee meeting may email them to the DFO at FRRCC@epa.gov by 12:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on November 13, 2020, prior to 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on November 13, 2020.

D. Availability of Meeting Materials

The Meeting Agenda and other materials for the virtual conference will be posted on the FRRCC website at www.epa.gov/faca/frrcc.

E. Accessibility

Persons with disabilities who wish to request reasonable accommodations to participate in this event may contact the DFO at FRRCC@epa.gov or 202–564–7719 by 12:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on November 5, 2020 to be placed on a list of registered commenters and receive special instructions for participation. Oral commenters will be provided an opportunity to speak in the order in which their request was received by the DFO.

Written Statements: Persons interested in providing written statements pertaining to this committee meeting may email them to the DFO at FRRCC@epa.gov by 12:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on November 7, 2020 to be placed on the list of registered speakers and receive special instructions for participation. Oral commenters will be provided an opportunity to speak in the order in which their request was received by the DFO.
following the meeting, as well as a written summary of this meeting.

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Access by EPA Contractors to Information Claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI) Submitted Under Title II of the Clean Air Act and Related Regulations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA’s Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ) plans to authorize various contractors to access information which is submitted to us under the Clean Air Act and which may be claimed as, or may be determined to be, confidential business information (CBI). The information is related to the registration of fuels and fuel additives under 40 CFR part 79 and to various compositional and performance standards for reformulated gasoline, conventional gasoline, diesel fuel, detergents, and the renewable fuel standard (RFS) under 40 CFR part 80.

DATES: The EPA will accept comments on this Notice through November 2, 2020.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, identified by Docket ID No EPA–HQ–OAR–2020–0464, by any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Submit your comments at https://www.regulations.gov/ (our preferred method). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

• Email: Email your comments to a-and-r-Docket@epa.gov. Include Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2020–0464 in the subject line of the message.


• Hand Delivery or Courier (by scheduled appointment only): EPA Docket Center, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004. The Docket Center’s hours of operations are 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Monday–Friday (except Federal Holidays).

Instructions: All submissions received must include the Docket ID No. for this notice. Comments received may be posted without change to https://www.regulations.gov/, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on sending comments and additional information on this action, see the “Public Participation” heading of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document. Out of an abundance of caution for members of the public and our staff, the EPA Docket Center and Reading Room are closed to the public, with limited exceptions, to reduce the risk of transmitting COVID–19. Our Docket Center staff will continue to provide remote customer service via email, phone, and webform. We encourage the public to submit comments via https://www.regulations.gov/ or email, as there may be a delay in processing mail and faxes. Hand deliveries and couriers may be received by scheduled appointment only. For further information on EPA Docket Center services and the current status, please visit us online at https://www.epa.gov/dockets.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Notice apply to me?

This action is directed to the general public. However, this action may be of particular interest to parties who submit information to the EPA regarding fuel and fuel additive registration (40 CFR part 79) and related to various standards for reformulated and conventional gasoline, diesel fuel, detergents, and the renewable fuel standard (40 CFR part 80). Parties who may be interested in this action include fuel manufacturers (such as refiners and importers), manufacturers of fuel additives, producers of renewable fuels, exporters, parties who engage in Renewable Identification Number (RIN) transactions, and all those who submit 40 CFR part 79 and part 80 registrations or reports to the EPA via any method or system. Such systems include the EPA Central Data Exchange (CDX), DCFUEL, OTAQReg, and the EPA Moderated Transaction System (EMTS).

This Federal Register notice may be of relevance to parties that submit data under the above-listed programs or systems. Since other parties may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific parties that may be affected by this action. If you have further questions regarding the applicability of this action to a party, please contact the person listed in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

II. Public Participation

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2020–0464 at https://www.regulations.gov/ (our preferred method), or the other methods identified in the ADDRESSES section. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from the docket. The EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit to EPA’s docket at https://www.regulations.gov any information you consider to be confidential business information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. The EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (i.e., on the web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets.

As mentioned above, EPA is suspending its Docket Center and Reading Room for public visitors, with limited exceptions, to reduce the risk of transmitting COVID–19. Our Docket Center staff will continue to provide remote customer service via email, phone, and webform. We encourage the public to submit comments via https://www.regulations.gov/ as there may be a delay in processing mail and faxes. Hand deliveries or couriers will be received by scheduled appointment only. For further information and updates on EPA Docket Center services, please visit us online at https://www.epa.gov/dockets.

The EPA continues to carefully and continuously monitor information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), local area health departments, and our Federal partners so that we can respond rapidly as conditions change regarding COVID–19.