DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
[Docket No. AD21–15–000]

Joint Federal-State Task Force on Electric Transmission; Notice
Announcing Meeting and Inviting Agenda Topics

On June 17, 2021, the Commission established a Joint Federal-State Task Force on Electric Transmission (Task Force) to formally explore transmission-related topics outlined in the Commission’s order.1 The Commission stated that the Task Force will convene for multiple formal meetings annually, which will be open to the public for listening and observing and on the record.2 The first public meeting of the Task Force was held on November 10, 2021, in Louisville, Kentucky.3 The second public meeting of the Task Force will be held on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Eastern time. The meeting will be held at the Renaissance Downtown Hotel in Washington, DC. Commissioners may attend and participate in this meeting.

The meeting will be open to the public for listening and observing and on the record. There is no fee for attendance and registration is not required. The public may attend in person or via Webcast.4 This conference will be transcribed. Transcripts will be available for a fee from Ace Reporting, 202–347–3700.

Commission conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations, please send an email to accessibility@ferc.gov or call toll free 1–866–208–3376, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Secretary, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Secretary, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

More information about the Task Force, including frequently asked questions, is available here: https://www.ferc.gov/TFSOET. As explained in the Establishing Order, the Commission will issue agendas for each meeting of the Task Force, after consulting with all Task Force members and considering suggestions from state commissions.5

The Establishing Order set forth a broad array of transmission-related topics that the Task Force has the authority to examine and will focus on topics related to planning and paying for transmission, including transmission to facilitate generator interconnection, that provides benefits from a federal and state perspective.6 The first public meeting focused on incorporating state perspectives into regional transmission planning. In anticipation of the second public meeting, all interested persons, including all state commissions, are hereby invited to file comments in this docket on agenda topics for the second public meeting of the Task Force, due January 4, 2022. The Task Force members will consider the suggested agenda topics in developing the agenda for the second public meeting. The Commission will issue the agenda no later than February 2, 2022, for the second public meeting to be held on February 16, 2022.

Comments may be filed electronically via the internet.7 Instructions are available on the Commission’s website, https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1–866–208–3376, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Secretary, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Secretary, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

More information about the Task Force, including frequently asked questions, is available here: https://www.ferc.gov/TFSOET. For more information about this meeting, please contact: Gretchen Kershaw, 202–502–8213, gretchen.kershaw@ferc.gov; or Jennifer Murphy, 202–898–1350, jmurphy@naruc.org. For information related to logistics, please contact: Benjamin Williams, 202–502–8506, benjamin.williams@ferc.gov; or Rob Thormeyer, 202–502–8694, robert.thormeyer@ferc.gov.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Deputy Secretary.

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2 Id. P 4.
4 A link to the Webcast will be available here on the day of the event: https://www.ferc.gov/TFSOET.
5 Establishing Order, 175 FERC ¶ 61,224 at PP 4, 7.
6 Id. P 6.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC); Notice of Public Meeting and Request for Comments on Draft Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Systematic Review Protocol

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: There will be a 3-day peer review virtual public meeting of the Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC) to consider and review the draft TSCA Systematic Review Protocol. In addition, EPA is announcing the availability of and soliciting public comments on the draft protocol.

DATES: Peer Review Virtual Public Meeting: Will be held on April 19–21, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m. (EDT). See the additional details and instructions for registration that appear in Unit III.

Written Comments: Submit your written comments on or before February 18, 2022. As described in Unit III, you may also register to make oral comments during the virtual public meeting.

Special accommodations: Requests for special accommodations should be submitted on or before April 4, 2022, to allow EPA time to process these requests.

ADDRESSES: Peer Review Virtual Public Meeting: You must register online to receive the webcast meeting link and audio teleconference information. Please follow the registration instructions that will be announced on the SACC website at https://www.epa.gov/tsca-peer-review by early March 2022. For additional instructions related to this meeting, see Unit III.

Written Comments: Submit written comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2021–0414, through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not electronically submit any information you consider to be
Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Copyrighted material will not be posted without explicit permission of the copyright holder. Members of the public should also be aware that their personal contact information, if included in any written comments, may be posted on the internet at https://www.regulations.gov. Additional information on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at https://www.epa.gov/dockets.

Due to public health concerns related to COVID–19, the EPA Docket Center and Reading Room are open to the public by appointment only. For further information on the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) services, docket contact information and the current status of the EPA/DC and Reading Room, please visit https://www.epa.gov/dockets. For questions about this docket, you may also contact the Designated Federal Official (DFO) listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. Special accommodations: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, and to request accommodation for a disability, please contact the DFO listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Todd Peterson, DFO, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (7201M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460–0001; telephone number: (202) 564–8450; email address: peterson.todd@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Executive Summary

A. Does this action apply to me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may be of interest to persons who are or may be required to conduct testing and those interested in risk evaluations of chemical substances under TSCA. Since other entities may also be interested in this action, the EPA has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action.

B. Where can I access information about the SACC and this meeting?

Information about the SACC and this meeting is available on the SACC website at https://www.epa.gov/tsca-peer-review and in the docket for this meeting, identified by docket ID number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2021–0414, at https://www.regulations.gov. You may also subscribe to the following listserv for alerts when notices regarding this and other SACC-related activities are published: https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USEAEPAPPT/subscriber/new?topic_id=USEAEPAPPT.

C. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA?

1. Submitting CBI. Do not submit CBI information to EPA through regulations.gov or email. If your comments contain any information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected, please contact the DFO listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT to obtain special instructions before submitting your comments.

2. Tips for preparing your comments. When preparing and submitting your comments, see Tips for Effective Comments at https://www.epa.gov/dockets.

II. Background

A. What is the purpose of the SACC?

The SACC was established by EPA in 2016 and operates in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2 et seq. The SACC provides expert independent scientific advice and consultation to the EPA on the scientific and technical aspects of risk assessments, methodologies, and pollution prevention measures and approaches for chemicals regulated under TSCA. The SACC is comprised of experts in: Toxicology; Human health and environmental risk assessment; Exposure assessment; and Related sciences (e.g., synthetic biology, pharmacology, biotechnology, nanotechnology, biochemistry, biostatistics, physiologically based pharmacokinetic [PBPK] modeling, computational toxicology, epidemiology, environmental fate, and environmental engineering and sustainability). When needed, the committee members will be assisted in their reviews by consultants with specific expertise in the topics under consideration.

B. What is the purpose of peer review of the draft TSCA systematic review protocol?

The draft TSCA Systematic Review Protocol includes a revised generic approach for TSCA-related approaches accounting for previous peer review comments from SACC reviews of risk evaluations on the first 10 chemical assessments and more recent recommendations from the NASEM review of the Application of Systematic Review in TSCA Risk Evaluations. In addition to the revised, generic approach, this peer review package will include appendices containing chemical specific information that is relevant for search strings and screening statements and data evaluation criteria for the next chemical risk evaluations being conducted by the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT).

C. How can I access the SACC documents?

EPA’s background documents, related supporting materials, and draft charge questions to the SACC are available on the SACC website and in the docket established for this meeting are available at https://www.regulations.gov; docket ID number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2021–0414. In addition, EPA will provide additional background documents (e.g., SACC members and consultants participating in this meeting and the meeting agenda) as the materials become available. You may obtain electronic copies of these documents, and certain other related documents that might be available, in the docket at https://www.regulations.gov and the SACC website at https://www.epa.gov/tsca-peer-review.

After the public meeting, the SACC will prepare meeting minutes summarizing its recommendations to the EPA. The meeting minutes will be posted on the SACC website and in the relevant docket.

III. Public Participation Instructions

To participate in the peer review virtual public meeting, please follow the instructions in this unit.

A. How can I provide comments?

To ensure proper receipt of comments it is imperative that you identify docket ID number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2021–0414 in the subject line on the first page of your request.

1. Written comments. The Agency encourages written comments for the peer review virtual public meeting be submitted using the instructions in ADDRESSES and Unit I.B. and C. on or before the date set in the DATES section. Anyone submitting written comments after this date should contact the DFO listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. If you submit comments after the date set in the DATES section, those comments will be provided to the SACC members.

2. Oral comments. The Agency encourages each individual or group wishing to make brief oral comments to the SACC during the peer review virtual public meeting to please follow the registration instructions that will be announced on the SACC website by...
early March 2022 (https://www.epa.gov/tsca-peer-review).

Oral comments before the SACC during the peer review virtual public meeting are limited to 5 minutes unless arrangements have been made prior to the date set in the DATES section. In addition, each speaker should email a copy of his/her comments to the DFO prior to the meeting for distribution to the SACC by the DFO.

B. How can I participate in the virtual public meeting?

This meeting will be virtual and viewed via webinar. For information on how to first register and then view the webinar, please refer to the SACC website at https://www.epa.gov/tsca-peer-review. EPA intends to announce registration instructions on the SACC website by early March 2022.


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Michal Freedhoff.
Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemicals Safety and Pollution Prevention.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FR–2984–01–OMS]

Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board; Membership

AGENCY: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the membership of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Performance Review Board for 2021.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 4314(c)(1) through (5) of Title 5, U.S.C., requires each agency to establish in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management, one or more SES performance review boards. This board shall review and evaluate the initial appraisal of a senior executive’s performance by the supervisor, along with any recommendations to the appointment authority relative to the performance of the senior executive. Members of the 2021 EPA Performance Review Board are:

Barry Breen, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Land and Emergency Management
Tom Brennan, Director, Science Advisory Board, Office of the Administrator
Katrina Cherry, Director, Office of Management and International Services, Office of International and Tribal Affairs
Kerry Drake, Mission Support Division Director, Region 9
Lizabeth Engbretnot, (Ex-Officio) Deputy Director, Policy, Planning and Training Division, Office of Human Resources, Office of Mission Support
Diana Esher, Deputy Regional Administrator, Region 3
Arron Helm, Director, Office of Administration and Resources Management—Research Triangle Park, Office of Mission Support
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Juan Carlos Hunt, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Office of the Administrator
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Gautam Srinivasan, Associate General Counsel, Air and Radiation Law Office, Office of General Counsel
Carol Terris, Associate Chief Financial Officer, Office of the Chief Financial Officer
Richard “Chet” Wayland, Director of the Air Quality Assessment Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Office of Air and Radiation

Mara J. Kamen,
EPA Deputy Chief Human Capital Officer, and Director, Office of Human Resources, Office of Mission Support.

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EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

[Public Notice: 2021–3049]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Final Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Export-Import Bank of the United States.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review and comments request.

SUMMARY: The Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM), as a part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to comment on the proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This form is to be completed by EXIM borrowers as required under EXIM Credit Guarantee Facility (CGF) transactions in conjunction with a borrower’s request for disbursement for local cost goods and services. It is used to summarize disbursement documents submitted with a borrower’s request and to calculate the requested financing amount. It will enable EXIM lenders to identify the specific details of the amount of disbursement requested for approval to ensure that the financing request is complete and in compliance with EXIM’s disbursement requirements.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before January 19, 2022 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically on www.REGULATIONS.GOV (EIB 18–02) or by email to donna.schneider@exim.gov, or by mail to Donna Schneider, Export-Import Bank of the United States, 811 Vermont Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20571. The form can be viewed at: https://www.exim.gov/sites/default/files/pub/pending/eib18-03_itemized_statement_of_payments-local_costs_for_exim_cgf_-_Oct%202021.xlsx.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information, please Donna Schneider. 202–565–3612.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Titles and Form Number: EIB 18–03 Itemized Statement of Payments—Local Costs for EXIM Credit Guarantee Facility.

OMB Number: 3048–0055.

Type of Review: NEW.

Need and Use: The information collected will assist in determining compliance of disbursement requests for local cost goods and services submitted to EXIM lenders under CGF transactions.