DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2852-015]

New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, New York; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

December 11, 2002.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy projects staff have reviewed the application for a nonpower license for the Keuka Hydroelectric Project, located between Waneta Lake and Lamoka Lake impoundments, and Keuka Lake in Steuben and Schuyler Counties, New York and have prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project. The EA contains the staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the proposed action by the applicant, the proposed action with additional staff-recommended measures, and no-action.

A copy of the EA is available for review in the public Reference Branch, Room 2–A, of the Commission's office at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The EA may also be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866)208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202)502–8659.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and addressed to Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please affix "Keuka Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. 2852–015" to all comments. Comments may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

For further information, contact Patti Leppert at (202)502–6034 or by E-mail at patricia.leppert@ferc.gov.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2002-0334; FRL-7283-5]

Exposure Modeling Work Group; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Exposure Modeling Work Group (EMWG) will hold a 1-day meeting on December 17, 2002. This notice announces the location and time for the meeting and sets forth the tentative agenda topics.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 17, 2002, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at

the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Crystal Mall #2, Room 311, 1921
Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Michael R. Barrett, Environmental Fate and Effects Division (7507C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460—0001; telephone number: (703) 305—6391; fax number: (703) 308—6309; email address: barrett.michael@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general, and may be of particular interest to those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), or the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). 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 person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

B. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?

1. Docket. EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPP–2002–0334. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action.

Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crstal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305–5805.

2. *Electronic access*. You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at http://www.epa.gov/edocket/ to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

II. Background

The Exposure Modeling Workgroup meets on a roughly quarterly interval to discuss current issues in modeling pesticide fate, transport, and exposure to pesticides in support of risk assessments in a regulatory context.

III. How Can I Request to Participate in this Meeting?

You may submit a request to participate in this meeting to the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

IV. Tentative Agenda

This unit provides tentative agenda topics for the 1-day meeting.

- 1. Welcome and introductions.
- 2. Old action items.

3. Brief Updates

- EPA's pesticide root zone model/ exposure analysis modeling system (PRZM/EXAMS) model.
 - · Spray drift task force progress.
 - Rice modeling.
 - European union activities.
- United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) agricultural research service activities.

- Environmental fate data base.
- New meteorological files.
- Turf umbrella.
- WARP model.

4. Major Topics

- EFED water quality priorities for FY 2003 - themes for 2003.
- European Union activities: FOCUS ground water and surface water assessment methods, mitigation measures and processes for refining risk assessments.
- Prospective ground water data base data reporting and formatting issues.
- USDA research service efforts to address needs of regulators in their pesticide mitigation and modeling research, results of recent workshop.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: December 10, 2002.

Steven Bradbury,

Director, Environmental Fate and Effects Division, Office of Pesticide Programs. [FR Doc. 02–31613 Filed 12–12–02; 9:03 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–8

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPT-2002-0072; FRL-7284-9]

Certain New Chemicals; Receipt and Status Information

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 5 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) requires any person who intends to manufacture (defined by statute to include import) a new chemical (i.e., a chemical not on the TSCA Inventory) to notify EPA and comply with the statutory provisions pertaining to the manufacture of new chemicals. Under sections 5(d)(2) and 5(d)(3) of TSCA, EPA is required to publish a notice of receipt of a premanufacture notice (PMN) or an application for a test marketing exemption (TME), and to publish periodic status reports on the chemicals under review and the receipt of notices of commencement to manufacture those chemicals. This status report, which covers the period from November 2, 2002 to November 19, 2002, consists of the PMNs pending or expired, and the notices of commencement to manufacture a new chemical that the Agency has received under TSCA section 5 during this time period.

DATES: Comments identified by the docket ID number OPPT– 2002–0072 and the specific PMN number or TME number, must be received on or before January 15, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I. of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Barbara Cunningham, Acting Director, Environmental Assistance Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (7408M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460—0001; telephone number: (202) 554—1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. As such, the Agency has not attempted to describe the specific entities that this action may apply to. Although others may be affected, this action applies directly to the submitter of the premanufacture notices addressed in the action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

B. How Can I Get Copies of This Document and Other Related Information?

1. Docket. EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPPT-2002-0072. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the EPA Docket Center, Rm. B102-Reading Room, EPA West, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The EPA Docket Center Reading Room telephone number is (202) 566-1744 and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket, which is located in EPA Docket Center, is (202) 566-0280.

2. Electronic access. You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at http://www.epa.gov/edocket/ to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

Certain types of information will not be placed in the EPA Dockets. Information claimed as CBI and other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute, which is not included in the official public docket, will not be available for public viewing in EPA's electronic public docket. EPA's policy is that copyrighted material will not be placed in EPA's electronic public docket but will be available only in printed, paper form in the official public docket. To the extent feasible, publicly available docket materials will be made available in EPA's electronic public docket. When a document is selected from the index list in EPA Dockets, the system will identify whether the document is available for viewing in EPA's electronic public docket. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. EPA intends to work towards providing electronic access to all of the publicly available docket materials through EPA's electronic public docket.

For public commenters, it is important to note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EPA's electronic public docket as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EPA's electronic public docket. The entire printed comment, including the