

modern tools and methods for public notice and outreach, as discussed in this notice, to reflect substantial changes in technology, the media, and the way different segments of the public access information.

According to the final National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC), EJ in Permitting Subgroup Report,⁵⁵ the publication in the legal section of a regional print newspaper is antiquated, ineffective, and is not ideal for providing notice to low-income and minority communities. Regarding public participation, the report recommends the following to the EPA: “To ensure meaningful public participation, the public notice and outreach process must include direct communication in appropriate languages through telephone calls and mailings to EJ and tribal communities, press releases, radio announcements, electronic and regular mail, website postings and the posting of signs.” EPA finds today’s notice consistent with the report’s recommendations in that EPA intends to provide for the full range of flexibility allowed by RCRA and EPA regulations to satisfy the public notice requirements.

In the 2016 PSD rulemaking described above, commenters noted that modernizing notification processes to provide for electronic notice would be more efficient and convenient for communicating permitting-related information to the public, including communities with environmental justice concerns. Several commenters supported the EPA’s conclusion that because there have been substantial changes in technology, the media, and the way the public access media, electronic notifications are more effective means of public notification than newspaper publication. Commenters note that this conclusion applied not only to the public in general, but also for communities with environmental justice concerns. One commenter noted that overburdened communities today obtain and share more information through the internet than through newspaper circulation. The comments also confirmed that some districts have already been encouraged to provide electronic notice by EJ advocates, noting that such notices improve the level of available information and customer service offered to the public, including

marginalized communities, by allowing the district to immediately make available permitting action notices in languages other than English. To that point, the commenter explained that public outreach initiatives cannot be nearly as effective with just traditional newspaper notification. The EPA agreed with the commenters and found that electronic notice and electronic access have been an effective and convenient way to communicate permitting-related information to the public.⁵⁶

As marginalized communities impacted by environmental justice concerns and other targeted audiences shift away from traditional news and information vehicles and increase their use of the web-based resources for information, the option for electronic noticing public notices could improve communication and increase the public’s participation in the RCRA permit process for some of these communities.

IX. Do guidance documents contain binding requirements?

The contents of this document do not have the force and effect of law and are not meant to bind the public in any way. This document is intended only to provide clarity to the public regarding existing requirements under the law or agency policies.

Dated: December 10, 2021.

Carolyn Hoskinson,

Director, Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery.

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FEDERAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS ADVISORY BOARD

Notice of Reappointment of Board Member to FASAB

AGENCY: Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Mr. Patrick McNamee has been reappointed to the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB or “the Board”). Mr. McNamee’s second and final five-year term on the Board begins on January 1, 2022, and will conclude on December 31, 2026.

ADDRESSES: The news release is available on the FASAB website at <https://www.fasab.gov/news-releases/>.

⁵⁶ EPA recognizes that such electronic vehicles may not be effective for some segments of the public at some facilities.

Copies can be obtained by contacting FASAB at (202) 512–7350.

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Authority: 31 U.S.C. 3511(d), the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. app.), and the FASAB Rules of Procedure, as amended in October 2010.

Dated: December 13, 2021.

Monica R. Valentine,

Executive Director.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of a modified system of records.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission or Agency) is modifying a system of records, FCC/WCB–3, Emergency Broadband Benefit Program, subject to the *Privacy Act of 1974*, as amended. This action is necessary to meet the requirements of the Privacy Act to publish in the **Federal Register** notice of the existence and character of records maintained by the agency. The Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (“Emergency Broadband”) provides discounts for broadband internet access service (“BIAS”) to qualifying households. Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, signed into law on November 15, 2021, the Emergency Broadband program will become the Affordable Connectivity Program (“ACP”) on December 31, 2021. A household may qualify for ACP if an individual in the household has applied for and has been approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced price lunch program, receives assistance through the special supplemental nutritional program for women, infants, and children established by section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1996 (“WIC”), receives a Pell Grant, qualifies for the Lifeline program, meets certain income requirements, or qualifies for a low-income program offered by internet service providers. The ACP will be administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) under

⁵⁵ National Environmental Justice Advisory Council, *Enhancing Environmental Justice in EPA Permitting Programs. A Report of Advice and Recommendations*. 2011, pages 20–21. Accessed via: <https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-02/documents/ej-in-permitting-report-2011.pdf>.