

human-studies-review-board. In addition, information regarding the HSRB's Final Report, will be found at <http://www2.epa.gov/osa/human-studies-review-board> or from Thomas O'Farrell listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT**.

Dated: March 26, 2018.

**Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta,**  
EPA Science Advisor.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-R05-OAR-2017-0579; FRL-9976-12-Region 5]

### Adequacy Status of the Sheboygan County, Wisconsin Area for the Submitted 2008 Ozone Standard Attainment Demonstration for Transportation Conformity Purposes

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

**ACTION:** Notice of finding of adequacy.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the EPA is notifying the public that we find the motor vehicle emissions budgets (MVEBs) for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and oxides of nitrogen (NO<sub>x</sub>) in the Sheboygan County, Wisconsin 2008 Ozone Standard nonattainment area adequate for use in transportation conformity determinations. On September 25, 2017, Wisconsin submitted a 2008 Ozone Standard Attainment Demonstration for Sheboygan County, which included the MVEBs for 2017 and 2018. As a result of our finding, this area must use these MVEBs from the submitted Attainment Demonstration for future transportation conformity determinations.

**DATES:** This finding is applicable April 20, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Leslie, Environmental Engineer, Control Strategies Section (AR-18), Air Programs Branch, Air and Radiation Division, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 353-6680, [leslie.michael@epa.gov](mailto:leslie.michael@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Throughout this document, whenever "we", "us" or "our" is used, we mean EPA.

#### Background

This notice is an announcement of a finding that we have already made. On January 17, 2018, EPA sent a letter to the Wisconsin Department of Natural

Resources stating that the 2017 and 2018 MVEBs contained in the Attainment Demonstration for the 2008 Ozone Standard for Sheboygan County are adequate for transportation conformity purposes. Receipt of these MVEBs was announced on EPA's transportation conformity website, and no comments were submitted. The finding is available at EPA's conformity website: <https://www.epa.gov/state-and-local-transportation/adequacy-review-state-implementation-plan-sip-submissions-conformity>.

The 2017 and 2018 MVEBs, in tons per day (tpd), for VOCs and NO<sub>x</sub> for the Sheboygan County, Wisconsin area are as follows:

| Sheboygan County | NO <sub>x</sub><br>(tpd) | VOCs<br>(tpd) |
|------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| 2017 .....       | 1.62                     | 3.29          |
| 2018 .....       | 1.49                     | 2.96          |

Transportation conformity is required by section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act. EPA's conformity rule requires that transportation plans, programs, and projects conform to state air quality implementation plans and establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they do conform. Conformity to a State Implementation Plan (SIP) means that transportation activities will not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's MVEBs are adequate for transportation conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). Please note that an adequacy review is separate from EPA's completeness review, and is also a separate action from EPA's evaluation of and decision whether to approve a proposed SIP revision.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671 q.

Dated: March 20, 2018.

**Edward H. Chu,**

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 5.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[9976-15-Region 1]

### Proposed CERCLA Administrative Cost Recovery Settlement; Gould Electronics Inc., New Hampshire Dioxane Site, Atkinson/Hampstead, New Hampshire

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed settlement; request for public comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative Settlement Agreement for recovery of Past Response Costs, as defined in the Settlement Agreement, under CERCLA section 122(h) of CERCLA, concerning the New Hampshire Dioxane Site, located in Atkinson and Hampstead, New Hampshire with Gould Electronics Inc. The settlement requires Gould Electronics Inc. to pay \$1,900,000, plus interest on that amount calculated from March 28, 2016 through the date of payment, to the Hazardous Substance Superfund.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted by May 7, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to John Hultgren, Enforcement Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 (OES04-2), Boston, MA 02109-3912 and should refer to: *In re: New Hampshire Dioxane Site*, EPA Region 1 CERCLA Docket No. 01-2018-0013.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A copy of the proposed Settlement Agreement may be obtained from John Hultgren, Enforcement Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 (OES04-2), Boston, MA 02109-3912; (617) 918-1761; [hultgren.john@epa.gov](mailto:hultgren.john@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** For 30 days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the settlement. The United States will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. The Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at 5 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109-3912.

The proposed Settlement Agreement includes a covenant from EPA not to sue or take administrative action against Gould Electronics Inc. pursuant to section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a), to recover Past Response Costs, and protection for Gould Electronics, Inc. from contribution actions or claims as provided by sections 113(f)(2) and 122(h)(4) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9613(f)(2) and 9622(h)(4). The settlement has been approved by the

Environmental and Natural Resources  
Division of the United States  
Department of Justice.

Dated: March 2, 2018.

**Nancy Barmakian,**

*Acting Director, Office of Site Remediation  
and Restoration.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9976-33-OA]

### Notification of a Public Teleconference of the Chartered Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) and the CASAC Sulfur Oxides Panel

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public teleconference of the Chartered Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) and CASAC Sulfur Oxides Panel to discuss the CASAC draft reviews of the EPA's *Risk and Exposure Assessment for the Review of the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide (External Review Draft)* and *Policy Assessment for the Review of the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide (External Review Draft)*.

**DATES:** The teleconference will be held on Friday, April 20, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (Eastern Time).

**LOCATION:** The public teleconference will be held by telephone only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing to obtain information concerning the public meeting may contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office (1400R), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460; by telephone at (202) 564-2050 or at [yeow.aaron@epa.gov](mailto:yeow.aaron@epa.gov). General information about the CASAC, as well as any updates concerning the meetings announced in this notice, may be found on the CASAC web page at <http://www.epa.gov/casac>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The CASAC was established pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA) Amendments of 1977, codified at 42 U.S.C. 7409(d)(2), to review air quality criteria and National Ambient Air Quality Standards

(NAAQS) and recommend any new NAAQS and revisions of existing criteria and NAAQS as may be appropriate. The CASAC is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2. Section 109(d)(1) of the CAA requires that the Agency periodically review and revise, as appropriate, the air quality criteria and the NAAQS for the six "criteria" air pollutants, including sulfur oxides. EPA is currently reviewing the primary (health-based) NAAQS for sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), as an indicator for health effects caused by the presence of sulfur oxides in the ambient air.

Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that the Chartered CASAC and the CASAC Sulfur Oxides Panel will hold a public teleconference to discuss the draft CASAC reviews of the EPA's *Risk and Exposure Assessment for the Review of the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide (External Review Draft)* and *Policy Assessment for the Review of the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide (External Review Draft)*. The CASAC Sulfur Oxides Panel and CASAC will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

**Technical Contacts:** Any technical questions concerning the *Risk and Exposure Assessment for the Review of the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide (External Review Draft)* should be directed to Dr. Nicole Hagan ([hagan.nicole@epa.gov](mailto:hagan.nicole@epa.gov)), EPA Office of Air and Radiation.

**Availability of Meeting Materials:** Prior to the meeting, the review documents, agenda and other materials will be available on the CASAC web page at <http://www.epa.gov/casac/>.

**Procedures for Providing Public Input:** Public comment for consideration by EPA's federal advisory committees and panels has a different purpose from public comment provided to EPA program offices. Therefore, the process for submitting comments to a federal advisory committee is different from the process used to submit comments to an EPA program office.

Federal advisory committees and panels, including scientific advisory committees, provide independent advice to EPA. Members of the public can submit relevant comments on the topic of this advisory activity, including the charge to the panel and the EPA

review documents, and/or the group conducting the activity, for the CASAC to consider as it develops advice for EPA. Input from the public to the CASAC will have the most impact if it provides specific scientific or technical information or analysis for CASAC panels to consider, or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to provide comment should follow the instructions below to submit comments.

**Oral Statements:** In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation on a public teleconference will be limited to three minutes. Each person making an oral statement should consider providing written comments as well as their oral statement so that the points presented orally can be expanded upon in writing. Interested parties should contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, DFO, in writing (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by April 13, 2018, to be placed on the list of public speakers.

**Written Statements:** Written statements will be accepted throughout the advisory process; however, for timely consideration by CASAC members, statements should be supplied to the DFO (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by April 13, 2018. It is the SAB Staff Office general policy to post written comments on the web page for the advisory meeting or teleconference. Submitters are requested to provide an unsigned version of each document because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on its websites. Members of the public should be aware that their personal contact information, if included in any written comments, may be posted to the CASAC website. Copyrighted material will not be posted without explicit permission of the copyright holder.

**Accessibility:** For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Mr. Aaron Yeow at (202) 564-2050 or [yeow.aaron@epa.gov](mailto:yeow.aaron@epa.gov). To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Mr. Yeow preferably at least ten days prior to each meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: March 26, 2018.

**Khanna Johnston,**

*Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board  
Staff Office.*

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