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3. Executive Committee (EC)—May 1, 2000

The Executive Committee (EC) of the Science Advisory Board (SAB) will conduct a public teleconference meeting on Monday, May 1, 2000 between the hours of 1:00 and 3:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time. The meeting will be coordinated through a conference call connection in Room 6013, USEPA, Ariel Rios Building (North Entrance—adjacent to the entrance to the Federal Triangle Metro Stop), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. The public is encouraged to attend the meeting in the conference room noted above, however, the public may also attend through a telephonic link, *if lines are available*. Additional instructions about how to participate in the conference call can be obtained by calling Ms. Priscilla Tillery-Gadson no later than one week prior to the meeting (by April 24, 2000) at (202) 564-4533, or via e-mail at tillery.priscilla@epa.gov.

Purpose of the Meeting—The EC will take action on available reports from its Committees and Subcommittees, which may include the following:

- (a) Drinking Water Committee
“Comments on EPA’s Draft Proposal on a Long-Term 1 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment and Filter Backwash Rule”
- (b) Residual Risk Subcommittee
“Advisory on the USEPA’s Analysis of the Residual Risks of Lead Smelters”
- (c) Environmental Engineering Committee
“Commentary on Waste Re-Use”

Availability of Review Materials—All reports available for action by the EC will be posted on the SAB Website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) at least one week prior to the meeting.

For Further Information—Any member of the public wishing further

information concerning this meeting or wishing to submit brief oral comments must contact Dr. Donald Barnes, Designated Federal Officer, Science Advisory Board (1400A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone (202) 564-4533; fax (202) 501-0582; or via e-mail at barnes.don@epa.gov. Requests for oral comments must be *in writing* (e-mail, fax or mail) and received by Dr. Barnes no later than noon Daylight Time on April 24, 2000.

Providing Oral or Written Comments at SAB Meetings

It is the policy of the Science Advisory Board to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The Science Advisory Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements.

Oral Comments: In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at a face-to-face meeting will be limited to a total time of ten minutes. For teleconference meetings, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to no more than three minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Deadlines for getting on the public speaker list for a meeting are given above. Speakers should bring at least 35 copies of their comments and presentation slides for distribution to the reviewers and public at the meeting. **Written Comments:** Although the SAB accepts written comments until the date of the meeting (unless otherwise stated), written comments should be received in the SAB Staff Office at least one week prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the committee for their consideration. Comments should be supplied to the appropriate DFO at the address/contact information noted above in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text files (in IBM-PC/Windows 95/98 format). Those providing written comments and who attend the meeting are also asked to bring 25 copies of their comments for public distribution.

General Information—Additional information concerning the Science Advisory Board, its structure, function, and composition, may be found on the SAB Website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) and in The FY1999 Annual Report of the Staff Director which is available from the SAB Publications Staff at (202)

564-4533 or via fax at (202) 501-0256. Committee rosters, draft Agendas and meeting calendars are also located on our website.

Meeting Access—Individuals requiring special accommodation at this meeting, including wheelchair access to the conference room, should contact the DFO at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: March 29, 2000.

Donald G. Barnes,

Staff Director, Science Advisory Board.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6572-2]

Proposed CERCLA Administrative Cost Recovery Settlement for the C&J Disposal Superfund Site, Town of Eaton, Madison County, NY

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (“CERCLA”), 42 U.S.C. 9622(i), notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement, entered into pursuant to section 122(h) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(h), for recovery of past response costs concerning the C & J Disposal Superfund Site (“Site”) located in the Town of Eaton, Madison County, New York, with the following settling parties: Estate of Charles Picariello, Geneso (a/k/a James) Picariello, C & J Leasing Company and The Birge Company. The settlement requires the settling parties to pay \$90,000.00 to the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund in reimbursement of past response costs incurred with respect to the Site. The settlement includes a covenant not to sue the settling party pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a), for all costs incurred at or in connection with the Site by the United States through the effective date of the settlement agreement. For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this document, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA” or “Agency”) will receive written comments relating to the settlement. The Agency will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to

the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations that indicate that the proposed settlement is inappropriate, improper or inadequate. The Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the EPA, Region II, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007-1866.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before May 8, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at the EPA, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007-1866. A copy of the proposed settlement may be obtained from Lee A. Spielmann, Assistant Regional Counsel, New York/Caribbean Superfund Branch, Office of Regional Counsel, 17th Floor, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007-1866. Comments should reference the C & J Disposal Superfund Site located in Eaton, New York, Docket No. CERCLA-02-99-2005, and should be addressed to Lee A. Spielmann, Assistant Regional Counsel, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, 17th floor, New York, New York 10007-1866.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lee A. Spielmann, Assistant Regional Counsel, New York/Caribbean Superfund Branch, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 17th Floor, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007-1866. Telephone: 212-637-3222.

Dated: March 27, 2000.

William J. Muszynski,
Regional Administrator, Region 2.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-211044A; FRL-6496-6]

TSCA Section 21 Petition; Response to Citizens' Petition

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On December 27, 1999, EPA received a petition under section 21 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) from People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) on its own behalf and on behalf of four other organizations. The petition requests that EPA initiate TSCA rulemaking proceedings with respect to all chemicals included on the HPV (High Production Volume chemical) Challenge Program list as updated through the date

of initiation of the requested proceedings. Specifically, the petition requests that EPA issue a TSCA section 8(a) Preliminary Assessment Information Reporting (PAIR) rule and a Health and Safety Data Reporting rule under TSCA section 8(d). For the reasons set forth in this notice, EPA has denied the petition to initiate rulemaking.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information contact: Barbara Cunningham, Director, Office of Program Management and Evaluation, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (7401), Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

For technical information contact: Frank D. Kover, Chemical Control Division (7405), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 260-8130; e-mail address: ccd.citb@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of particular interest to U.S. chemical manufacturers (defined by statute to include importers) and processors. Because 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 technical person listed under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT."

B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document or Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under "Federal Register—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the Federal Register listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. A copy of the petition and its supplement are available on EPA's homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/chemrtk/sc21main.htm>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPPTS-211044A. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, North East Mall Rm. B-607, Waterside Mall, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. The Center is open from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Center is (202) 260-7099.

II. Background

A. What is a TSCA Section 21 Petition?

Section 21 of TSCA allows citizens to petition EPA to initiate a proceeding for the issuance, amendment, or repeal of a rule under TSCA sections 4, 6, or 8 or an order under TSCA sections 5(e) or 6(b)(2). A section 21 petition must set forth facts which the petitioner believes establish the need for the action requested. EPA is required to grant or deny the petition within 90 days of its receipt. If EPA grants the petition, the Agency must promptly commence an appropriate proceeding. If EPA denies the petition, the Agency must publish its reasons for the denial in the **Federal Register**. Within 60 days of denial or no action, petitioners may commence a civil action in a U.S. District Court to compel initiation of the requested rulemaking. When reviewing a petition for a new rule, as in this case, the court must provide an opportunity for *de novo* review of the petition. Pursuant to TSCA section 21(b)(4)(B)(ii), "if the petitioner demonstrates to the satisfaction of the court by a preponderance of evidence that ... there is a reasonable basis to conclude that the issuance of such [TSCA section 8 rules] is necessary to protect health or the environment against an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment" the court can order EPA to initiate the requested action.