

an Intern. Former US EPA employees are not eligible for this program within two years of employment at US EPA. Former EPA employees must qualify as students to participate in the program.

(1) *Federal Policies and Procedures.*

Recipients are subject to all Federal laws and Federal and USEPA policies, regulations, and procedures applicable to Federal financial assistance awards.

(2) *Past Performance.* Unsatisfactory performance under prior Federal awards will be considered in evaluating an applicant's proposal.

(3) *Preaward Activities.* If applicants incur any costs prior to an award being made, they do so solely at their own risk of not being reimbursed by the Government. Notwithstanding any verbal or written assurance that may have been received, there is no obligation on the part of the USEPA to cover pre-award costs except to the extent authorized at 40 CFR 30.25(f).

(4) *No Obligation for Future Funding.* If an application is selected for funding, the USEPA has no obligation to provide any additional future funding in connection with the award. Renewal of an award to increase funding or extend the period of performance is at the total discretion of the USEPA.

(5) *Delinquent Federal Debts.* No award of Federal funds shall be made to an applicant who has an outstanding delinquent Federal debt until either:

- i. The delinquent account is paid in full,
- ii. A negotiated repayment schedule is established and at least one payment is received, or
- iii. Other arrangements satisfactory to USEPA are made.

(6) *Name Check Review.* All non-profit applicants are subject to a name check review process. Name checks are intended to reveal if any key individuals Interned with the applicant have been convicted of or are presently facing criminal charges such as fraud, theft, perjury, or other matters which significantly reflect on the applicant's management honesty or financial integrity. Key individuals cannot be currently suspended, debarred, or otherwise ineligible from participating in Federal financial assistance.

(7) *Primary Applicant Certifications.* All primary applicants must submit a completed form CD-511, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying," and the following explanations are hereby provided:

- i. *Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension.* Prospective participants (as defined at 15 CFR part 26, section 105) are subject to 15 CFR part 26,

"Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

- ii. *Drug-Free Workplace.* Recipients (as defined at 15 CFR part 26, section 605) are subject to 15 CFR part 26, subpart F, "Government requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" and related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;
- iii. *Anti-Lobbying.* Persons (as defined at 15 CFR part 26, section 105) are subject to the lobbying provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1352, "Limitations on use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," and the lobbying section of the certification form prescribed above applies to applications/bids for grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts for more than \$100,000 * * *."
- iv. *Anti-Lobbying Disclosures.* Any applicant that has paid or will pay for lobbying using any funds must submit an SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," as required under 15 CFR part 28, Appendix B.

(8) *False Statements.* A False statement on an application is grounds for denial or termination of funds and grounds for possible punishment by a fine or imprisonment as provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

(9) *Intergovernmental Review.*

Applications under this program are not subject to executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

Approved for Publication:

Dated: December 22, 2000.

Barry E. Hill,

Director, Office of Environmental Justice, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Dioxin Reassessment Review Committee (DRRC) of the US EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB), may, depending on progress achieved in developing its report (see below), meet in a public teleconference on Tuesday, January 23, 2000 between 2 and 4:30 p.m. The meeting will be coordinated through a conference call connection in Room

6013 in the USEPA, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460. The public is encouraged to attend the meeting in the conference room noted above. However, a limited number of the public may also attend through a telephonic link, thirty-two lines have been reserved for this purpose. Additional instructions about how to participate in the meeting can be obtained by calling Ms. Wanda Fields prior to the meeting at (see contact information below).

Purpose of the Meeting—The Committee is planning a teleconference for the above noted date on a contingency basis. The teleconference will be convened only if, in the opinion of the DRRC Chair, it is needed to address issues that require further discussion prior to completion of the Committee's report. A decision as whether or not the teleconference (announced in this meeting notice) will be convened will be made by close of business, Friday, January 12, 2000, 11 days prior to the tentatively scheduled date. The decision on the teleconference will be posted to the SAB website (www.epa.gov/sab); or members of the public may call or email Ms. Wanda Fields at the telephone and email address provided below.

Availability of Review Materials—If the teleconference is to be held, a list of the issues to be discussed, along with a draft meeting agenda, will be posted on the SAB website (www.epa.gov/sab) under the *Agenda* heading on January 12, 2000. If the meeting is canceled, a notice will be posted on the SAB website to that effect as well.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Any member of the public wishing further information concerning this meeting should contact Mr. Samuel Rondberg, Designated Federal Officer, EPA Science Advisory Board (1400A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone (301) 812-2560, FAX (410) 286-2689; or via e-mail at: samuelr717@aol.com. Because of the limited time for discussion during the teleconference, oral comments from the public will not be taken (extensive oral comments were taken earlier at the November 1-2, 2000 meeting—see 65 FR 60190, dated October 10, 2000). Written comments may be submitted for consideration by the Committee, and should be sent to Ms. Wanda Fields, EPA Science Advisory Board, Mail Code 1400A, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington DC 20460. (Telephone (202) 564-4539, FAX (202) 501-0582; or via e-mail at fields.wanda@epa.gov).

Comments should be supplied in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature (and 25 copies), and one electronic copy via e-mail to Mr. Rondberg or Ms. Fields (acceptable file formats: WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text files (in IBM-PC/Windows 95/98 format)). Written comments must arrive at the SAB no later than January 16, 2000. Please note that the Committee had earlier extended the period for accepting written comments. The date given above is the deadline for receipt of ALL written comments.

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

Dated: December 21, 2000.

Donald G. Barnes,

Staff Director, Science Advisory Board.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6930-5]

Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) Technical Subcommittee for Fine Particle Monitoring will meet on Monday, January 22, 2001 at the US EPA Environmental Research Center (ERC), Classroom 2, Route 54 and Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC. The meeting will begin at 8:30 am and end no later than 5 pm, Eastern Time. The meeting is open to the public, however, due to limited space, seating will be on a first-come basis. For further information concerning the meeting, please contact the individuals listed below. Important Notice: Documents that are the subject of CASAC reviews are normally available from the originating EPA office and are not available from the CASAC Office—information concerning availability of documents from the relevant Program Office is included below.

Background—This technical subcommittee of CASAC was established in 1996 to provide advice and comment to EPA (through CASAC) on appropriate methods and network strategies for monitoring fine particles in the context of implementing the

revised national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for particulate matter.

Purpose of the Meeting—At this meeting, the Subcommittee will gather information and receive briefings from Agency Staff and outside entities.

Currently, EPA is in the process of preparing a revised criteria document and related materials in anticipation of reviewing the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for Particulate Matter (PM). As part of that review and in light of the ongoing effort to monitor particles, particularly fine particles, there is an increasing need to have effective and efficient methods to continuously monitor PM mass. Such monitoring presents significant problems and currently, the regulations in place make it difficult to qualify a continuous monitor as an equivalent method to the designated Federal Reference Method (FRM) approach.

The CASAC Technical Subcommittee for Fine Particle Monitoring is soliciting public input on the development of technologies and approaches that would provide continuous monitoring of airborne PM with a sufficient accuracy and precision that it could be used for regulatory purposes. We invite interested individuals, companies, and state and local regulatory agencies to submit ideas (in writing or at the meeting) as to a framework in which conflicting demands of convenience in monitoring, accuracy, precision, and concordance with the existing base of monitoring data could be developed. At this time, we are not looking for descriptions of specific devices, but rather possible approaches (within the regulatory environment) that would encourage development, testing, and qualification of new instruments for this purpose.

Presentations may be made to the Subcommittee either orally or via a poster. Posters will be set up either within the meeting room or in the hallway outside, depending on the number of posters requested. Appropriate time will be allocated during the mid-point of the meeting to evaluate posters and to discuss these posters with presenters.

Availability of Review Materials—A brief white paper, outlining some of the issues under consideration, will be available from EPA Staff on or about January 9th. For further details, or to obtain a copy of the draft white paper, please contact Tim Hanley, US EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (MD-14), Research Triangle Park, NC 20771, phone (919) 541-4417 or via e-mail at: hanley.tim@epa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Members of the public desiring additional information about the meeting should contact Mr. Robert Flaak, Designated Federal Officer, Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee, Science Advisory Board (1400A), Suite 6450, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-4546; fax at (202) 501-0582; or via e-mail at flaak.robert@epa.gov. A copy of the draft agenda will be posted on the SAB Website (www.epa.gov/sab) (under the "Agenda" subheading) approximately 12 days before the meeting.

Members of the public who wish to make a brief oral presentation to the Subcommittee, or make arrangements for a poster, must contact Mr. Flaak in writing (by letter or by fax—see previously stated information) no later than 12 noon Eastern Time, Wednesday, January 17, 2001 in order to be included on the Agenda. Public comments will be limited to approximately ten minutes per speaker or organization, unless other arrangements have been made in advance with Mr. Flaak for additional time. The request should identify the name of the individual making the presentation, the organization (if any) they will represent, any requirements for audio visual equipment (e.g., overhead projector, 35mm projector, chalkboard, etc.), and at least 35 copies of an outline of the issues to be addressed or of the presentation itself. Those requesting a poster should provide their requirements in the same request (Posters, or other display materials can be wall mounted, or placed on panels or tables).

Providing Oral or Written Comments at SAB Meetings

The Science Advisory Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. In general, each individual or group making an oral presentation will be limited to a total time of ten minutes. For conference call meetings, opportunities for oral comment will be limited to no more than five minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Written comments (at least 35 copies) received in the SAB Staff Office sufficiently prior to a meeting date, may be mailed to the relevant SAB committee or subcommittee prior to its meeting; comments received too close to the meeting date will normally be provided to the committee at its meeting. Written comments may be provided to the relevant committee or subcommittee up until the time of the meeting.