ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8788-1]

Notice of an Underground Injection Control Program Meeting To Discuss Innovative Ideas for Aquifer Storage and Recovery

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of a meeting.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Underground Injection Control Program will be hosting a meeting to discuss innovative ideas for Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) operations that would prevent endangerment of underground sources of drinking water. While ASR may be a valuable tool to support public drinking water supplies, EPA or States with primary enforcement responsibility regulate underground injection activities to protect underground sources of drinking water pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water Act. EPA is assembling an interdisciplinary group of experts to generate ideas regarding the use of ASR technology in a manner that will prevent endangerment of drinking water resources. EPA requests those interested in attending to register at http://www.horsleywitten.com/EPA-

DATES: The ASR Expert Meeting will be held on May 5–6, 2009. The meeting will be two (2) half days (May 5, 1 p.m.–5 p.m., May 6, 8 a.m.–1 p.m.). Registration must be received by April 30, 2009.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the 12th floor Huron Conference room at the EPA Region 5 Office, 77 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jyl Lapachin, Drinking Water Protection Division, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (4606M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564–0327; fax number (202) 564–3756; e-mail address: lapachin.jyl@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) is the term used to describe the practice of underground injection of non-hazardous water with the intent for later recovery as a water management tool. While ASR has the potential to be a valuable tool for ensuring that drinking water supplies are available in times when other sources of drinking water may be unavailable, the underground injection and storage of water has sometimes

resulted in adverse ground water quality.

EPA or States with primary enforcement responsibility implement underground injection control programs under the Safe Drinking Water Act to prevent endangerment of underground sources of drinking water. EPA recognizes that ASR can be a viable tool to meet water demands. Therefore, EPA is holding an expert-level meeting with an interdisciplinary group of technical and policy experts from a variety of sectors such as Federal, State, private industry, environmental organizations, academia and public water systems. The meeting objective is to generate innovative ideas and individual input from participants on the storage of water in aquifers (i.e., underground storage areas) for later retrieval in a manner that is protective of underground sources of drinking water. EPA is seeking individual input from the meeting attendees. EPA is not seeking advice, group recommendations or consensus on any matters discussed during the meeting.

The ĂSR Expert Meeting will begin with short plenary presentations designed to provide the participants with a common knowledge base and terminology to encourage effective and productive discussions. The plenary topics will be broad and address multiple challenges related to ASR including: (1) Current ASR practices; (2) scientific and technical considerations for ASR; and (3) policy considerations for ASR. Interactive discussion sessions will follow the plenary presentation and provide a forum for attendees to communicate and develop creative ideas for protective ASR practices.

Space is limited and EPA expects to be able to accommodate 30 participants. EPA will attempt to accommodate additional registrants as observers. To encourage productive and creative discussion, EPA seeks individuals with significant ASR experience to register for the meeting. Significant ASR experience includes: (1) Whether the individuals have a demonstrated ability to advance ASR knowledge and practices through their work, including, but not limited to, prior presentations at professional conferences or publishing research in peer-reviewed media; (2) whether the individuals have at least five years of experience performing ASR-related work in operations, site characterization, program implementation, research, or system design; and (3) whether the individuals have significant professional experience in managing, supervising, and leading ASR-related projects. EPA's goal is to create discussion groups consisting of a

diverse mix of participants with regard to expertise in ASR-related policy, science, and current practices, with the intention of stimulating ideas for creative and novel approaches to ASR management and operations while protecting underground sources of drinking water.

Interested individuals should register for the meeting using the form available at http://www.horsleywitten.com/EPA-ASR.

Special Accomodations: Any person needing special accommodations at this meeting, including wheelchair access, should contact Jyl Lapachin at the phone number or e-mail address listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this notice. Requests for special accommodations should be made at least five business days in advance of the public meeting.

Dated: March 26, 2009.

Cynthia C. Dougherty,

Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8787-7]

Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Request for Nominations of Scientists and Engineers To Augment the Environmental Engineering Committee (EEC)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office is requesting nominations for scientists and engineers with expertise and direct experience in water infrastructure assessment, rehabilitation, and renewal to augment expertise on the SAB Environmental Engineering Committee (EEC).

DATES: Nominations should be submitted by April 21, 2009 per instructions below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this Notice and Request for Nominations may contact Mr. Edward Hanlon, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), SAB Staff Office, by telephone/voice mail at (202) 343–9946; by fax at (202) 233–0643 or via e-mail at hanlon.edward@epa.gov. General information concerning the EPA Science Advisory Board can be found at the EPA SAB Web site at http://www.epa.gov/sab. Any inquiry regarding EPA's Aging

Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Research Initiative should be directed to Mr. Thomas Speth of EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD), at speth.thomas@epa.gov or (513) 569–7208.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SAB was established by 42 U.S.C. 4365 to provide independent scientific and technical advice to the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., App. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. The SAB EEC provides scientific and technical advice to the EPA Administrator through the chartered SAB on risk management technologies to control and prevent pollution.

In support of EPA's Sustainable Water Infrastructure Initiative, EPA's ORD initiated a research program in 2007 to improve and evaluate innovative technologies and techniques for reducing the cost and improving the effectiveness of operations, maintenance, and replacement of aging and failing systems for drinking water and wastewater treatment and conveyance. The outputs from this research program are intended to assist EPA's program and regional offices to implement Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act requirements; to help states and tribes meet their programmatic requirements; and to assist utilities to more effectively implement comprehensive management of drinking water and wastewater treatment and conveyance systems, provide reliable service to their customers, and meet their statutory requirements. ORD's 2007 Sustainable Water Infrastructure Initiative research plan proposes work relating to infrastructure condition assessment. system rehabilitation, infusion of advanced design and management concepts, and evaluation of innovative treatment technologies. ORD requested that the SAB review and provide advice on the suitability and appropriateness of completed, existing and upcoming projects; the appropriateness of the funding vehicles; whether additional projects are needed; and the overall scope and funding of the initiative. The SAB EEC, augmented with additional experts, will conduct the consultation.

Request for Nominations

There is a need to supplement EEC expertise with scientists and engineers having experience and expertise with water infrastructure assessment, rehabilitation, and renewal. Accordingly, the SAB Staff Office is seeking nominations of nationally and internationally recognized scientists and engineers in multidisciplinary fields such as microbiology, environmental science, and chemistry; and civil, environmental, chemical, and mechanical engineering. We particularly seek scientists and engineers with specialized expertise in condition assessment, system rehabilitation, and in reducing the cost and improving the effectiveness of operations, maintenance, and replacement of aging and failing drinking water, stormwater, and wastewater treatment and conveyance systems. Also, the SAB Staff Office seeks nominations of individuals with experience in applying this expertise towards municipal infrastructure systems. Qualified nominees will be considered for serving on the EEC augmented with additional expertise to provide advice on EPA's Aging Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Research Initiative.

Process and Deadline for Submitting *Nominations:* Any interested person or organization may nominate individuals qualified in the area of science and engineering as described above to be considered for appointment on this SAB Committee. Candidates may also nominate themselves. Nominations should be submitted in electronic format (which is preferred over hard copy) following the instructions for "Nominating Experts to Advisory Panels and Ad Hoc Committees Being Formed" provided on the SAB Web site. The form can be accessed through the "Nomination of Experts" link on the blue navigational bar on the SAB Web site at http://www.epa.gov/sab. To receive full consideration, nominations should include all of the information requested, and should be submitted in time to arrive no later than April 21, 2009.

EPA's SAB Staff Office requests contact information about: The person making the nomination; contact information about the nominee; the disciplinary and specific areas of expertise of the nominee; the nominee's curriculum vitae; sources of recent grant and/or contract support; and a biographical sketch of the nominee indicating current position, educational background, research activities, and recent service on other national

advisory committees or national professional organizations.

Persons having questions about the nomination procedures, or who are unable to submit nominations through the SAB Web site, should contact Mr. Edward Hanlon, DFO, at the contact information provided above in this notice. Non-electronic submissions must follow the same format and contain the same information as the electronic.

The SAB Staff Office will acknowledge receipt of the nomination and inform nominees of the Committee for which they have been nominated. From the nominees identified by respondents to this Federal Register notice (termed the "Widecast") and other sources, the SAB Staff Office will develop a smaller subset (known as the "Short List") for more detailed consideration. The Short List will be posted on the SAB Web site at http:// www.epa.gov/sab and will include, for each candidate, the nominee's name and biosketch. Public comments on the Short List will be accepted for 21 calendar days. During this comment period, the public will be requested to provide information, analysis, or other documentation on nominees that the SAB Staff Office should consider in evaluating candidates for the Committee.

For the SAB, a balanced Committee is characterized by inclusion of candidates who possess the necessary domains of knowledge, the relevant scientific perspectives (which, among other factors, can be influenced by work history and affiliation), and the collective breadth of experience to adequately address the charge. Public responses to the Short List candidates will be considered in the selection of the Committee, along with information provided by candidates and information gathered by SAB Staff independently concerning the background of each candidate (e.g., financial disclosure information and computer searches to evaluate a nominee's prior involvement with the topic under review). Specific criteria to be used in evaluation of an individual Committee member include: (a) Scientific and/or technical expertise, knowledge, and experience (primary factors); (b) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (c) scientific credibility and impartiality; (d) availability and willingness to serve; and (e) ability to work constructively and effectively in committees.

Prospective candidates will be required to fill-out the "Confidential Financial Disclosure Form for Special Government Employees Serving on Federal Advisory Committees at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency' (EPA Form 3110–48). This confidential form allows Government officials to determine whether there is a statutory conflict between that person's public responsibilities (which includes membership on an EPA Federal advisory committee) and private interests and activities, or the appearance of a lack of impartiality, as defined by Federal regulation. Ethics information, including EPA Form 3110-48, is available on the SAB Web site at http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/ sabproduct.nsf/Web/ ethics?OpenDocument.

Dated: March 24, 2009.

Anthony F. Maciorowski,

Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8787-6]

Notice of Proposed Administrative Settlement Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; U.S. Colloidal Essence Site

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice, request for public comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), as amended, 42 U.S.C. 9622(i), notice is hereby given of a proposed Administrative Agreement for Recovery of Past Response Costs ("Agreement," Region 9 Docket No. 9-2009–08) pursuant to Section 122(h) of CERCLA concerning the U.S. Colloidal Essence Site (the "Site"), located in Rancho Cucamonga, San Bernardino County, California. The settling party is Walton CWCA Goldenwest 70 LLC. Through the proposed Agreement, the Respondent will reimburse the United States \$10,000 for response costs incurred at the Site. The Agreement provides Respondent with a covenant not to sue for past response costs at the Site, and contribution protection. For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this Notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the proposed Agreement. The administrative record and the Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at

EPA's Region IX offices, located at 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 30, 2009.

ADDRESSES: The proposed Agreement may be obtained from the EPA Region 9 Superfund Records Center, at 95 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105 (415) 536–2000. Comments regarding the proposed Agreement should be addressed to Andrew Helmlinger at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (ORC–3), 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105, and should reference the U.S. Colloidal Essence Site Agreement, and Region IX Docket No. 9–2009–08.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Andrew Helmlinger, Office of Regional Counsel, (415) 972–3904, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105.

Dated: March 16, 2009.

Keith A. Takata,

Director, Superfund Division. [FR Doc. E9–7190 Filed 3–30–09; 8:45 am]

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than April 14, 2009.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Colette A. Fried, Assistant Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690–1414:

1. David E. Carpenter, Iowa City, Iowa; and Nancy A. Leahy, individually and as part of the Leahy Family which consists of Nancy A. Leahy; Timothy J. Leahy; Brian J. Leahy; and Evan G. Leahy; all of Idaho Falls, Idaho; to

acquire voting shares of C–B–G, Inc., West Liberty, Iowa, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Community Bank, Muscatine, Iowa, Washington Bancorp, and Federation Bank, both of Washington, Iowa.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 25, 2009.

Robert deV. Frierson.

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E9–7045 Filed 3–30–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6210–01–8

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 11:30 a.m., Monday, April 6, 2009.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

- 1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.
- 2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michelle Smith, Director, or Dave Skidmore, Assistant to the Board, Office of Board Members at 202–452–2955.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202–452–3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at http://www.federalreserve.gov for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 27, 2009.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board. [FR Doc. E9–7325 Filed 3–27–09; 4:15 pm] BILLING CODE 6210–01–8