

otherwise precluded under separate regulations.

In addition to the language quoted above, the Parties further agreed to request the TEAP to review nominations and make recommendations for approval based on the criteria established in paragraphs (a)(ii) and (b) of Decision IX/6.

III. How Will the U.S. Implement the Critical Use Exemption?

A. When Will the Exemption Become Available to U.S. Users of Methyl Bromide?

Under the provisions of both the CAA and the Montreal Protocol, the Critical Use Exemption will be available to approved uses on January 1, 2005. Until that date, all production and import of methyl bromide (except for those quantities that qualify for the quarantine and preshipment exemption) must conform to the phasedown schedule

listed above (see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section II A). For more information on the quarantine and preshipment exemption, please refer to 68 FR 238 (January 2, 2003).

B. What Is the Projected Timeline for the Critical Use Exemption Application Process?

There is both a domestic and international component to the Critical Use Exemption process. The following outline represents a projected timeline for the process:

May 8, 2003	Solicit applications for the methyl bromide Critical Use.
August 6, 2003	Deadline for submitting Critical Use Exemption applications to EPA.
Late 2003	U.S. government (EPA, Department of State, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and other interested federal agencies) create U.S. Critical Use nomination package.
January 31, 2004	Deadline for U.S. government to submit U.S. nomination package to the Protocol Parties.
Early 2004	Review of the nominations packages for Critical Use Exemptions by the Technical and Economic Assessment Panel (TEAP) and Methyl Bromide Technical Options Committee (MBTOC).
Early 2004	EPA publishes proposed rule for allocating Critical Use Exemptions in the U.S.
Mid 2004	Parties consider TEAP/MBTOC recommendations.
Late 2004	Parties authorize Critical Use Exemptions for methyl bromide.
Late 2004	EPA publishes final rule allocating Critical Use Exemptions in the U.S.
January 1, 2005	Critical Use Exemption permits the limited production and import of methyl bromide beyond the phaseout date for specific uses.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The June 3–5, 2003, Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act Scientific Advisory Panel (FIFRA SAP) face-to-face meeting to review the effects of atrazine on amphibians has been rescheduled. Due to scheduling conflicts, the May 21st premeeting teleconference has been canceled. For further information, please notify the Designated Federal Official (DFO) listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or see the **Federal Register** of February 24, 2003 (68 FR 8593) (FRL–7291–9).

DATES: The new meeting date is June 17–20, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Washington - National Airport, 1489 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. The telephone number for the hotel is (703) 310–8980.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Proposed CERCLA Section 122(h) Administrative Agreement for Recovery of Past Costs for the Nelson Galvanizing Superfund Site, New York City, Queens 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 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”), Region II, of a proposed administrative agreement pursuant to section 122(h) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(h), with John T. Sweeney, Nelson Foundry, Inc. and Nelson Galvanizing, Inc., for recovery of past response costs concerning the Nelson Galvanizing Superfund Site (“Site”) located at 11–02 Broadway, in the Long Island City area of Queens County, New York City, New York. The settlement requires the settling parties to pay \$244,000 in reimbursement of EPA’s past costs at the Site. The settlement includes a covenant not to sue the settling parties pursuant to section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a), in exchange for their payment of monies. For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, EPA will receive written comments relating to the settlement. EPA 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. EPA’s response to any comments