

about 5:30 p.m., ed. The workgroups will also meet on May 8, 1996, from approximately 12:30 p.m. ed. until about 3:00 p.m., ed. All meetings will be at the Sheraton Hotel, 11810 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 22091. The telephone number is 703-620-9000.

The Compliance Tools Workgroup is working on the Multi-Media Flexible Permitting Project, and the New York City Education Workgroup is moving ahead with plans for pollution prevention Education for small printers. The purpose of the workgroup meetings is to discuss the status of and plan future work for these projects. The purpose of the Subcommittee Meeting is to discuss the status of these projects undertaken by the Subcommittee. Agendas will be available April 30, 1996. Seating will be on a first come first served basis. Limited time will be provided for public comment.

For further information concerning this meeting of the Printing Sector Subcommittee, please contact Ginger Gotliffe of EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance at 202-564-7072, or Nancy Cichowicz, EPA, Region III, at 215-597-2030.

#### (2) Automobile Manufacturing Sector Subcommittee Meeting—May 10, 1996

Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency, pending resolution of its FY 1996 appropriation, will hold an open meeting of the Automobile Manufacturing Sector Subcommittee on Friday, May 10, 1996, from approximately 9:00 a.m. ed. to 4:00 p.m. ed. The meeting will be held at the Lake Michigan Conference Room, 12th Floor, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building, Chicago, Illinois. Picture identification will be required for entry into the building. The three project teams (Alternative Sector Regulatory System/Community Technical Assistance, Life Cycle Management/Supplier Partnership and Regulatory Initiative) will report on progress, identify short and long term deliverables and provide an assessment of the teams' resource needs. The Common Sense Initiative Council Automobile Manufacturing Sector Subcommittee will also discuss sector communications and interlinks between the project team activities. An agenda will be available May 3, 1996. Seating may be limited; therefore, advance registration is recommended. Any person or organization interested in attending the meeting should contact Ms. Carol Kemker, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), no later than May 7, 1996, at (404) 347-3555 extension 4222.

Each individual or group wishing to make an oral presentation will be provided a total of three minutes.

For further information concerning this meeting of the Automobile Manufacturing Sector Subcommittee, please contact Carol Kemker, DFO, at the above number; Keith Mason, Alternate DFO, at (202) 260-1360; or Julie Lynch, Alternate DFO at (202) 260-4000.

#### (3) Iron and Steel Sector Subcommittee Meeting—May 16, 1996

Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency, pending resolution of its FY 1996 appropriation, will hold an open meeting of the Iron and Steel Sector Subcommittee on Thursday, May 16, 1996. The meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. ed. and will run until 4:00 p.m. ed. The meeting will be held at the Metcalf Federal Building, Great Lakes Conference Center, 12th floor, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Picture identification will be required for entry into the building. Seating will be available on a first come, first served basis. Limited time will be provided for public comment.

The Iron and Steel Sector Subcommittee has created four work groups which are responsible for proposing to the full Subcommittee for its review and approval potential activities or projects that the Iron and Steel Sector Subcommittee will undertake, and for carrying out projects once approved. The subcommittee has approved seven projects and their work plans.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the status of projects sponsored by the workgroups and to review recommendations that the workgroups propose, particularly several recommendations that have been presented by the Permits Work Group. Additionally, the American Iron and Steel Institute will give a brief presentation on its role in supporting research on innovative technology in the industry. The Subcommittee's four workgroups will be meeting the preceding day, Wednesday, May 15, 1996, from approximately 10:00 a.m. ed. to 5:00 p.m. ed.

For further information concerning this Iron and Steel Sector Subcommittee Meeting, please call either Ms. Mary Byrne at 312-353-2315 in Chicago, Illinois or Ms. Judith Hecht at 202-260-5682 in Washington, DC.

#### (4) Computers and Electronics Sector Subcommittee—May 23 and 24, 1996

Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency,

pending resolution of its FY 1996 appropriation, will hold an open meeting of the Computers and Electronics Sector Subcommittee on Thursday, May 23, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. ed. until 5:00 p.m. ed., and Friday, May 24, 1996, from 8:30 a.m., ed. to 3:00 p.m., ed., at the Washington Marriott, 1221 22nd Street, Washington, DC. Seating will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Opportunity for public comment on major issues under discussion will be provided at intervals throughout the meeting.

The first day of the meeting, May 23, will be devoted partly to breakout sessions for the three subcommittee workgroups (Reporting and Information Access; Overcoming Barriers to Pollution Prevention, Product Stewardship, and Recycling; and Integrated and Sustainable Alternative Strategies for Electronics) and partly to plenary session; the second day, May 24, will also consist of both workgroup and plenary sessions.

For further information regarding this Computers and Electronics Sector Subcommittee Meeting, please contact Gina Bushong at (202) 260-1096 or by mail at U.S. EPA (MC 7405), 401 M Street SW., Washington, DC 20460; Mark Mahoney, U.S. EPA Region 1, (617) 565-1155; or David Jones, at U.S. EPA Region 9, (415) 744-2266.

#### Inspection of Subcommittee Documents

Documents relating to the above Sector Subcommittee announcements, will be publicly available at the meeting. Thereafter, these documents, together with the official minutes for the meetings, will be available for public inspection in room 2821M of EPA Headquarters, Common Sense Initiative Staff, 401 M Street SW., Washington, DC 20460, telephone number 202-260-7417. Common Sense Initiative information can be accessed electronically through contacting Katherine Brown at brown.katherine@epamail.gov.

Dated: April 16, 1996.  
Prudence Goforth,  
*Designated Federal Officer.*  
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#### State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) Working Committees on Enforcement-Certification & Registration-Classification; Open Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) Working Committees on Enforcement-Certification and Registration-Classification will hold a 3-day meeting, beginning on Monday, April 29, 1996 and ending on Wednesday, May 1, 1996. This notice announces the location and times for the meetings and sets forth tentative agenda topics. The meetings are open to the public.

**DATES:** The SFIREG Working Committee on Enforcement-Certification will meet alone on Monday, April 29, 1996 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., the two Working Committees will meet together on Tuesday, April 30, 1996 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Working Committee on Registration-Classification will meet alone on Wednesday, May 1, 1996 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel, 300 Army-Navy Drive, Crystal City, Arlington, VA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** By mail: Shirley M. Howard, Office of Pesticide Programs (7506C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW, Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 1100, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson-Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, 22202 (703) 305-5306. e-mail: howard.shirleym@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The tentative agenda of the SFIREG Working Committee on Enforcement-Certification includes the following:

1. Update on Certification and Training issues.
2. Status of the Worker Protection Standards.
3. Update on laboratory communication.
4. Discussion of the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance policies.
5. Discussion of geographic regional restrictions on labels.
6. Other topics as appropriate.

The agenda for the joint session of the SFIREG Working Committees on Enforcement-Certification and Registration-Classification includes the following:

1. Discussion of the State FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) functions.
2. Update on the Federal Insecticide Fungicide Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) section 2(ee).
3. Delegation of FIFRA sections 18 and 24(c) authority to regions and states.
4. Update on the import of unregistered pesticide products.

5. Label advisory statements report.
6. Status of the enforcement of products label for Roundup Soybeans.
7. Other topics as appropriate.

The agenda for the SFIREG Working Committee on Registration-Classification includes the following:

1. Update on consumer labeling initiatives.
2. Status of the bee labeling issues.
3. Discussion on the co-pack pesticide products.
4. Update on electronic commerce: label submission and other plans.
5. California's HomePage demonstration report.
7. Other topics as appropriate.

**List of Subjects**

Environmental protection.

Dated: April 8, 1996.

William L. Jordan,

*Acting Director, Field Operations Division,  
Office of Pesticide Programs.*

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**FARM CREDIT SYSTEM INSURANCE CORPORATION**

**[BM-28-MAR-96-02]**

**Policy Statement Concerning Stand-Alone Assistance**

**AGENCY:** Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation.

**ACTION:** Policy statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation (Corporation) announces that it is publishing a new Policy Statement Concerning Stand-Alone Assistance. This policy statement establishes the circumstances under which financial assistance will be considered for an insured bank. It conforms to the provisions of the Farm Credit System Reform Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-105, 110 Stat. 162 (Feb. 10, 1996)) amending section 5.61 of the Farm Credit Act of 1971; 12 U.S.C. 2277a-10.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 28, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dorothy L. Nichols, General Counsel, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102, (703) 883-4380, TDD (703) 883-4444.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The text of the Corporation's policy statement concerning stand-alone assistance is set forth below in its entirety:

**Policy Statement Concerning Stand-Alone Assistance**

*Effective Date:* March 28, 1996.

*Effect on Previous Action:* Revises Policy Statement Concerning Financial Assistance to Operating Insured Banks, No. BM-27-APR-93-02.

*Source of Authority:* Section 5.61 of the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as Amended (the Act); 12 U.S.C. 2277a-10.

Whereas, under section 5.61 of the Act, the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation (Corporation) may provide financial assistance to insured banks:<sup>1</sup> (1) To prevent the placing of the bank in receivership or to assist a bank in danger of being placed in receivership, or (2) when severe financial conditions exist that threaten the stability of a significant number of insured System banks or of insured System banks possessing significant financial resources, to lessen the risk to the Corporation posed by insured System banks under such threat of instability.

Therefore, the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation's Board of Directors (Board) adopts the following policy statement:

In order for the Corporation to provide assistance to any insured bank, the Corporation's Board of Directors must determine that providing assistance is the least costly means of all possible alternatives available to the Corporation, including liquidation of the bank (including paying the insured obligations issued on behalf of the bank), or assistance pursuant to a merger of the insured bank with one or more System institutions. Before making a least-cost determination the Corporation shall accord such other insured System banks as the Corporation determines to be appropriate the opportunity to submit information relating to the determination.

In determining the least costly alternative the Corporation shall:

1. Evaluate alternatives on a present-value basis, using a reasonable discount rate;
2. Document the evaluation and the assumptions on which the evaluation is based; and
3. Retain the documentation for not less than 5 years.

An estimate of the costs of providing any assistance to any insured System bank shall be made within thirty days prior to the date on which the

<sup>1</sup> As used in section 5.61, the terms "insured System bank" and "bank" include Production Credit Associations and other Associations making direct loans under the authority provided under section 7.6 of the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as amended.