

help us identify the scope of issues to be addressed in the EA.

The daytime scoping meeting will focus on resource agency concerns, while the evening scoping meeting is primarily for public input. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist the staff in identifying the scope of the environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

Daytime Meeting

Thursday, June 3, 1999, 1:00 p.m., Trail Side Restaurant at the Leisure Life Resort, Leisure Life Resort Road, Greenville, Maine

Evening Meeting

Thursday, June 3, 1999, 7:00 p.m., Trail Side Restaurant at the Leisure Life Resort, Leisure Life Resort Road, Greenville, Maine

To help focus discussions, we will distribute a Scoping Document (SD1) outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the EA to parties on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of the SD1 also will be available at the scoping meetings.

Site Visit

The applicant and Commission staff will conduct a project site visit on Wednesday, June 2, 1999. We will meet at the public boat launch on Route 16 located approximately 2 miles west of Greenville, Maine at 7 a.m. If you would like to attend, please call Ed Speer, Great Northern Paper, Inc. at (207) 723-2698, no later than May 28, 1999.

Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the staff will: (1) summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the resource issues to be addressed in the EA; and (5) identify those issues that require a detailed analysis, as well as those issues that do not require a detailed analysis.

The meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and will become part of the formal record of the Commission's proceeding on the project. Individuals presenting statements at the meetings will be asked to sign in before the

meeting starts and to identify themselves clearly for the record.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the EA.

All questions concerning the scoping process should be directed to John Costello E-mail address, john.costello@ferc.fed.us, or telephone at (202) 219-2914.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; National Roster of Environmental Dispute Resolution and Consensus Building Professionals

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: The National Roster of Environmental Dispute Resolution and Consensus Building Professionals, EPA ICR No. 1888.01, new collection. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 11, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by email at farmer.sandy@epa.gov, or download a copy of the ICR off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1888.01.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: National Roster of Environmental Dispute Resolution and Consensus Building Professionals (EPA ICR No. 1888.01). This is a new collection.

Abstract: This ICR pertains to the application form for listing facilitators, mediators and other similar

professionals on a National Roster for Environmental Dispute Resolution and Consensus-Building Professionals ("roster"). This information will be collected by the U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution of the Morris K. Udall Foundation ("Institute"). The EPA is funding the initial development of the roster which will be managed by the Institute. Submittal of an application form is voluntary and not required for ultimate selection by the government as a neutral in any specific case.

The application form will collect information about the experience and education of professionals engaged in assisting disputants in reaching consensus, agreements or settlements of environmental and natural resource conflicts. The information needed to complete the roster application is generally what would be found on a resume or curriculum vita or provided in reply to a request for proposal. The form does not collect any confidential information.

The roster will be used by Federal agencies to identify qualified individuals with whom to contract for neutral consensus building and dispute resolution services. Other parties such as state government agencies, private companies and public interest organizations may use the Roster to identify appropriate qualified individuals for cases.

Collecting the information on a form will standardize the responses received from numerous applicants into a computer database which may then be searched on a number of fields important to potential clients of dispute resolution services. Such searchable fields would include, among other things, geographic location, specialized past experience and skill in languages. We expect that a computerized database of experienced neutrals will reduce the time necessary for Federal agencies to identify and contract with dispute resolution service providers.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15. The **Federal Register** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 11/23/98 (63 FR 64699); 6 comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.9 hours per

respondent. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Facilitators, Mediators, including attorney-mediators; Arbitrators; Retired judges; Other consensus building professionals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 500.

Frequency of Response: Once, with voluntary updates.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 458 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost (non-labor costs) Burden: \$ 0.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1888.01 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Policy, Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460;

and
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: May 6, 1999.

Richard T. Westlund,

Acting Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6341-3]

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 Science Advisory Board's (SAB) Executive Committee (EC) will conduct a public teleconference meeting on Thursday, May 27, 1999, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

The meeting will be coordinated through a conference call connection in Room 3709 of the Waterside Mall, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC 20460. The public is welcome to attend the meeting physically or through a telephonic link. Additional instructions about how to participate in the conference call can be obtained by calling Ms. Priscilla Tillery-Gadson at (202) 260-4126, and via e-mail at: tillery-priscilla@epa.gov by May 21, 1999.

During this meeting the Executive Committee plans to review draft reports from its Committees. Anticipated drafts include: (a) Review of Data from the Testing of Human Subjects (SAB/SAP Joint Subcommittee); (b) Review of the Cancer Risk Assessment Guidelines (EC Subcommittee); (c) Advisory on the Charter for Environmental Regulatory Monitoring (EC Subcommittee); (d) Advisory on Addressing Risks from Indoor Radon (Radiation Advisory Committee); (e) Commentary on Environmental Risks of Natural Hazards (Environmental Engineering Committee); and (f) Commentary on the Need to Address Source Reduction and Control Technology in PM2.5 Research Plans (Environmental Engineering Committee). It is possible that other draft reports may be available for review at this meeting as well. Please check with Ms. Tillery-Gadson prior to the meeting to confirm any changes in the planned review schedule.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Any member of the public wishing further information concerning the meeting or wishing to submit comments should contact Dr. Donald G. Barnes, Designated Federal Officer for the Executive Committee, Science Advisory Board (1400), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington DC 20460; telephone (202) 260-4126; FAX (202) 260-9232; and via e-mail at: barnes.don@epa.gov. Copies of the draft reports are available from the same source, or from the SAB Website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) at least one week prior to the meeting.

General Information on 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 at 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. Written comments (at least 35 copies) received in the SAB Staff Office sufficiently prior to a meeting date (usually one week before the meeting), may be mailed to the relevant SAB committee or subcommittee; comments received too close to the meeting date will normally be provided to the committee at its meeting, or mailed soon after receipt by the Agency.

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 Annual Report of the Staff Director which is available from the SAB Publications Staff at (202) 260-4126 or via fax at (202) 260-1889.

Meeting Access

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

Dated: May 5, 1999.

Donald G. Barnes,

Staff Director, Science Advisory Board.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00595; FRL-6076-3]

Ecological Committee for FIFRA Risk Assessment Methods Scientific Peer Input Workshop on Probabilistic Methods

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) will hold a public workshop to review The Ecological Committee for FIFRA Risk Assessment Methods' (ECOFRAM) proposed probabilistic tools and methods for