

requirements under TSCA, FIFRA, and/or FFDCA.

II. General Information

A. Does this action apply to me?

This action is directed to the public in general. Although this action may be of particular interest to those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under TSCA, FFDCA, and/or FIFRA, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the appropriate person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

B. How can I get copies of this document and other related information?

1. *Docket for this document.* EPA has established a docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-0681. Publicly available docket materials are available either in the electronic docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or, if only available in hard copy, at the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) Regulatory Public Docket in Rm. S-4400, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. The hours of operation of this Docket Facility are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

2. *Electronic access to OCSPP test guidelines.* To access OCSPP test guidelines electronically, please go to <http://www.epa.gov/ocspp/pubs/frs/home/testmeth.htm>. You may also access the test guidelines in <http://www.regulations.gov>, grouped by series under docket ID numbers: EPA-HQ-OPPT-2009-0150 through EPA-HQ-OPPT-2009-0159 and EPA-HQ-OPPT-2009-0576.

III. What action is EPA taking?

EPA is announcing the availability of the final test guidelines for Group B—Product Performance Test Guidelines for Public Health Uses of Antimicrobial Agents in OCSPP Series 810—Product Performance Test Guidelines:

1. General Considerations for Public Health Uses of Antimicrobial Agents (OCSPP 810.2000).
2. Sterilants—Efficacy Data Recommendations (OCSPP 810.2100).
3. Disinfectants for Use on Hard Surfaces—Efficacy Data Recommendations (OCSPP Guideline 810.2200).
4. Sanitizers for Use on Hard Surfaces—Efficacy Data Recommendations (OCSPP 810.2300).

These final test guidelines address efficacy testing for antimicrobial agents intended to be used on hard, inanimate, environmental surfaces and which bear label claims as sterilants, disinfectants, and sanitizers.

As guidance documents, the test guidelines are not binding on either EPA or any outside parties, and EPA may depart from the test guidelines where circumstances warrant and without prior notice. At places in this guidance, the Agency uses the word “should.” In this guidance, use of “should” with regard to an action means that the action is recommended rather than mandatory. The procedures contained in the test guidelines are recommended for generating the data that are the subject of the test guideline, but EPA recognizes that departures may be appropriate in specific situations. Alternatives to the recommendations described in the test guidelines may be proposed, and the Agency will assess them for appropriateness on a case-by-case basis.

IV. How were these test guidelines developed?

The product performance guidelines for antimicrobial agents were last updated in 1982 under the “Pesticide Assessment Guidelines—Subdivision G, Product Performance.” Since then, the Agency has presented several issues at two separate meetings of the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP) related to the conduct of studies for antimicrobial agents (the first meeting September 9–10, 1997, announced in the **Federal Register** issue of July 14, 1997 (62 FR 37584) (FRL-5731-4) and the second meeting July 17–19, 2007, announced in the **Federal Register** issue of March 14, 2007 (72 FR 11867) (FRL-8118-7). Information and recommendations regarding these two FIFRA SAPs can be found at the Office of Science and Coordination and Policy’s Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/scipoly/sap/index.htm>. The test guidelines were also published for comment in the **Federal Register** issue of January 2010 (75 FR 4380) (FRL-8437-2) and revised based on comments received from industry. In addition to formatting changes to incorporate the test guidelines into the OCSPP 810 Series, EPA has added sections that incorporate new guidelines and clarifications from other guidance documents. In particular, data recommendations for testing against the spore formers *Bacillus anthracis* and *Clostridium difficile* have been added.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Antimicrobials, Chemical testing, Test guideline.

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Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Meetings of the Local Government Advisory Committee and the Small Communities Advisory Subcommittee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Small Communities Advisory Subcommittee (SCAS) will meet via teleconference on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, 2 p.m.–3 p.m. (ET), and the SCAS will meet at EPA’s Region 8 office in Denver, CO, on Thursday, April 18, 2012, 3 p.m.–5 p.m. (MT). The Subcommittee will discuss decentralized wastewater treatment and other issues and recommendations to the Administrator regarding environmental issues affecting small communities. These are open meetings, and all interested persons are invited to participate. The Subcommittee will hear comments from the public during the teleconference on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 between 2:50 p.m. and 3 p.m. (ET) and during the meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2012 between 4:45 p.m. and 5 p.m. (MT). Individuals or organizations wishing to address the Subcommittee will be allowed a maximum of five minutes to present their point of view. Also, written comments should be submitted electronically to davis.catherinem@epa.gov. Please contact the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) at the number listed below to schedule a time on the agenda. Time will be allotted on a first-come first-serve basis, and the total period for comments may be extended if the number of requests for appearances requires it.

The Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) will meet at EPA’s Region 8 office in Denver, CO, on Thursday, April 19, 2012, 10 a.m.–4:15 p.m. (MT), and Friday, April 20, 2012, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. (MT). The Committee will discuss integrated water quality planning, hydraulic fracturing, air quality issues and environmental justice

and Title VI. This is an open meeting and all interested persons are invited to participate. The Committee will hear comments from the public between 4 p.m.–4:15 p.m. (MT) on Thursday, April 19, 2012. Individuals or organizations wishing to address the Committee will be allowed a maximum of five minutes to present their point of view. Also, written comments should be submitted electronically to eargle.frances@epa.gov. Please contact the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) at the number listed below to schedule a time on the agenda. Time will be allotted on a first-come first-serve basis, and the total period for comments may be extended if the number of requests for appearances requires it.

ADDRESSES: The Small Communities Advisory Subcommittee and Local Government Advisory Committee meetings will be held at U.S. EPA Region 8 Office, 1595 Wynkoop St., Denver, CO 80202–1129. [Meeting summaries will be available after the meeting online at www.epa.gov/ocir/scas_lgac/lgac_index.htm and can be obtained by written request to the DFO].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) contact Frances Eargle at (202) 564–3115 or email at eargle.frances@epa.gov. For the Small Communities Advisory Subcommittee (SCAS), contact Cathy Davis, Designated Federal Officer at (202) 564–2703 or email at davis.catherinem@epa.gov.

Information On Services for Those With Disabilities: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Frances Eargle at (202) 564–3115 or eargle.frances@epa.gov. To request accommodation of a disability, please request it 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: March 7, 2012.

Frances Eargle,

Designated Federal Officer, Local Government Advisory Committee.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–9648–4]

Notice of Proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement Amendment Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice. Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a proposed prospective purchaser agreement amendment (“PPA Amendment”) associated with the GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, was executed by the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) and the Department of Justice and is now subject to public comment, after which the United States may modify or withdraw its consent to the PPA Amendment if comments received disclose facts or considerations indicating that the PPA Amendment is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. The PPA Amendment would resolve certain potential EPA claims under Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607, and other statutes, against the Pittsfield Economic Development Authority (“PEDA”). In lieu of financial consideration, in exchange for EPA’s covenant not to sue, the PPA Amendment would require PEDA to acquire certain parcels along the banks of Silver Lake in Pittsfield, impose institutional controls on such parcels, and refrain from damaging certain natural resources plantings on the Silver Lake bank parcels.

For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the PPA Amendment. The Agency’s response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I Office, 5 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 16, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R01–CERCLA 01–2002–0007, by one of the following methods:

- *Email:* John W. Kilborn, Senior Enforcement Counsel at Kilborn.john@epa.gov.
- *Mail:* John W. Kilborn, Senior Enforcement Counsel, U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, 5 Post Office Square (Mail Code OES4–3), Boston, MA 02109.

• *Hand Delivery:* John W. Kilborn, Senior Enforcement Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, 5 Post Office Square (Mail Code OES4–3), Boston, MA 02109. Business Hours: Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Such deliveries are accepted only during business hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–R01–CERCLA 01–2002–0007. EPA’s policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through email. If you send an email comment directly to EPA, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD–ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

Docket: The PPA Amendment and additional background information are available for public inspection at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I Office, 5 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109. A copy of the PPA Amendment may be obtained from Ann Gardner, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I Office, 5 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109 (617–918–1895) or by email at Gardner.ann@epa.gov. The PPA Amendment is also posted on EPA’s GE-Pittsfield Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/region1/ge/publiccomment.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John W. Kilborn, Senior Enforcement Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, 5 Post Office Square—Suite 100, Mail Code (OES4–3), Boston, MA 02109–3912. Phone: (617) 918–1893.