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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[FRL-9629-7]**

### **Notification of Three Public Teleconferences of a Work Group of the Chartered Science Advisory Board**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces three public teleconferences of a work group of the Chartered Science Advisory Board to discuss the President's FY 2013 Budget Request for the EPA Office of Research and Development.

**DATES:** The teleconference dates and times are March 1, 2012, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time); March 2, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Eastern Time); and March 8, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Eastern Time).

**ADDRESSES:** The public teleconferences will be held by telephone only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing to obtain general information concerning this public meeting should contact Dr. Angela Nugent, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), EPA Science Advisory Board (1400R), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; via telephone/voice mail: (202) 564-2218; fax: (202) 565-2098; or email at [nugent.angela@epa.gov](mailto:nugent.angela@epa.gov). General information concerning the EPA Science Advisory Board can be found on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The SAB was established pursuant to the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act (ERDAA), codified at 42 U.S.C. 4365, to provide independent scientific and technical advice to the 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), 5 U.S.C., App. 2. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that a work group of the chartered SAB will hold three public teleconferences to discuss the President's requested Fiscal Year 2013 Budget to support EPA research needs.

The SAB work group and the SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

**Background:** The chartered SAB has conducted a review of the EPA research budget annually and provides written comments to the EPA Administrator and to Congress, as requested, on the adequacy of EPA's requested research budget. At the teleconference on March 1, 2012, a work group of the chartered SAB will receive briefings on the requested research budget for Fiscal Year 2012. At the teleconference on March 2, 2012, the work group will develop review comments. At the teleconference on March 8, 2012, the work group will discuss a draft report that will receive additional review by the full chartered SAB at a date to be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**Availability of Meeting Materials:** The agenda and other materials in support of the meeting will be placed on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab> in advance.

**Procedures for Providing Public Input:** Public comment for consideration by EPA's federal advisory committees and panels has a different purpose from public comment provided to EPA program offices. Therefore, the process for submitting comments to a federal advisory committee is different from the process used to submit comments to an EPA program office.

Federal advisory committees and panels, including scientific advisory committees, provide independent advice to EPA. Members of the public can submit comments pertaining to EPA's charge, meeting materials and/or the group conducting the activity. They should send their comments directly to the DFO for the relevant advisory committee. **Oral Statements:** In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public teleconference will be limited to three minutes per speaker. Interested parties should contact Dr. Nugent, DFO, in writing (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by February 24, 2012 to be placed on a list of public speakers for the meeting. **Written Statements:** Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office by February 24, 2012 so that the information may be made available to the chartered SAB members for their consideration and placed on the SAB Web site for public information. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via email (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS PowerPoint,

or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format). Submitters are asked to provide versions of each document submitted with *and* without signatures, because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on its Web sites.

**Accessibility:** For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Dr. Angela Nugent at (202) 564-2218, or [nugent.angela@epa.gov](mailto:nugent.angela@epa.gov). To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Dr. Nugent, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[FRL-9629-5]**

### **Notification of a Public Meeting of the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC); Ozone Review Panel**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public teleconference of the CASAC Ozone Review Panel to discuss its draft review of EPA's *Integrated Science Assessment for Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants (Second External Review Draft—September 2011)*.

**DATES:** The CASAC Ozone Review Panel teleconference will be held on Friday, March 9, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Eastern Time).

**ADDRESSES:** The public teleconference will take place by telephone only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public who wants further information concerning the public teleconference may contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), via telephone at: (202) 564-2050 or email at [yeow.aaron@epa.gov](mailto:yeow.aaron@epa.gov). General information concerning the CASAC can be found on the EPA Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/casac>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The CASAC was established pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA) Amendments of 1977, codified at 42 U.S.C. 7409D(d)(2),

to provide advice, information, and recommendations to the Administrator on the scientific and technical aspects of issues related to the criteria for air quality standards, research related to air quality, sources of air pollution, and the strategies to attain and maintain air quality standards and to prevent significant deterioration of air quality. The CASAC is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2. The CASAC Ozone Review Panel and the CASAC will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. Section 109(d)(1) of the CAA requires that the Agency periodically review and revise, as appropriate, the air quality criteria and the NAAQS for the six "criteria" air pollutants, including ozone. EPA is currently reviewing the primary (health-based) and secondary (welfare-based) NAAQS for ozone. The CASAC Ozone Review Panel held a face-to-face meeting on January 9–10, 2012 (as noticed in 76 FR 76725–76726) to provide a peer review of EPA's *Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants (Second External Review Draft—September 2011)*. Information about this review activity may be found on the CASAC Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/casac>. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that the CASAC Ozone Review Panel will hold a follow-up public teleconference to discuss its draft review of EPA's *Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants (Second External Review Draft—September 2011)*.

**Availability of Meeting Materials:** Prior to the meeting, the review documents, agenda and other materials will be accessible through the calendar link on the blue navigation bar at <http://www.epa.gov/casac/>.

**Procedures for Providing Public Input:** Public comment for consideration by EPA's federal advisory committees and panels has a different purpose from public comment provided to EPA program offices. Therefore, the process for submitting comments to a federal advisory committee is different from the process used to submit comments to an EPA program office.

Federal advisory committees and panels, including scientific advisory committees, provide independent advice to EPA. Members of the public can submit relevant comments for a federal advisory committee to consider pertaining to EPA's charge to the panel or meeting materials. Input from the public to the CASAC will have the most impact if it provides specific scientific or technical information or analysis for

CASAC panels to consider or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to provide comment should contact the DFO directly.

**Oral Statements:** In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public teleconference will be limited to three minutes. Interested parties should contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, DFO, in writing (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by March 2, 2012, to be placed on the list of public speakers for the teleconference.

**Written Statements:** Written statements should be supplied to the DFO via email at the contact information noted above by March 2, 2012 for the teleconference so that the information may be made available to the Panel members for their consideration. Written statements should be supplied in one of the following electronic formats: Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format. It is the SAB Staff Office general policy to post written comments on the Web page for the advisory meeting or teleconference. Submitters are requested to provide an unsigned version of each document because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on its Web sites. Members of the public should be aware that their personal contact information, if included in any written comments, may be posted to the CASAC Web site. Copyrighted material will not be posted without explicit permission of the copyright holder.

**Accessibility:** For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Mr. Aaron Yeow at (202) 564–2050 or [yeow.aaron@epa.gov](mailto:yeow.aaron@epa.gov). To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Mr. Yeow preferably at least ten days prior to the teleconference to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–9629–6]

### Request for Nominations of Experts for EPA Science Advisory Board Scientific and Technological Achievement Awards Committee

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office is requesting nominations of experts to be considered for service on an SAB Committee to make recommendations on EPA's Scientific and Technological Achievement Awards (STAA) for 2012–2015.

**DATES:** Nominations should be submitted by March 1, 2012 per the instructions below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** 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) 564–2134; by fax at (202) 565–2098 or via email at [hanlon.edward@epa.gov](mailto:hanlon.edward@epa.gov). General information concerning the EPA SAB can be found at the EPA SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The SAB (42 U.S.C. 4365) is a chartered Federal Advisory Committee that provides independent scientific and technical peer review, advice, consultation, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for EPA actions. As a Federal Advisory Committee, the SAB conducts business in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App. 2) and related regulations. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. EPA's STAA was established in 1980 to recognize Agency scientists and engineers who published their work in the peer-reviewed literature. The STAA Program is an Agency-wide competition to promote and recognize scientific and technological achievements by EPA employees. The STAA program is administered and managed by EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD). Each year the SAB has been asked to review EPA's STAA nominations and make recommendations to the Administrator for monetary awards. The SAB Staff Office is announcing the formation of a