Dated: June 27, 2006.

William W. Rice,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 7. [FR Doc. E6-10741 Filed 7-7-06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560-50-P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8190-8]

Notice of a Public Meeting on **Designated Uses and Use Attainability Analyses**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is holding a public meeting to discuss designated uses and use attainability analyses. The meeting is co-sponsored with the Water Environment Federation (WEF). The primary goals of the meeting are to help educate the public on current water quality standards regulations, guidance and practices related to designated uses and use attainability analyses, and to provide a forum for the public to join in discussions, ask questions, and provide feedback.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, July 31, 2006 from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The meeting will continue on Tuesday, August 1, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The meeting will be preceded by an optional introductory session on the basics of designated uses as they apply to water quality standards implementation, scheduled for Monday, July 31, 2006 from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel, 1400 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101. The telephone number for the hotel is (206) 621–9000. A block of sleeping rooms has been reserved. When making room reservations, please reference the group name "EPA Multi-Stakeholders Meeting." The cutoff date for the reserved block of rooms is Friday, July

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Patricia Harrigan, Standards and Health Protection Division, MC 4305T, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; Telephone number: (202) 566-1666; Fax number: (202) 566-1054; e-mail address:

harrigan.patricia@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this public meeting is to help educate the public on current water quality standards regulations, guidance and practices related to designated uses

and use attainability analyses, and to provide a forum for the public to join in discussions, ask questions, and provide feedback. EPA also welcomes written remarks received by July 31, 2006, which can be sent to Ms. Harrigan by email or by mail at the address listed in the for further information contact section.

Special Accommodations

Any person needing special accommodations at this meeting, including wheelchair access, should contact Ms. Harrigan at the phone number or e-mail address listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. Requests for special accommodations should be made at least five business days in advance of the public meeting.

Dated: June 20, 2006.

Ephraim King,

Director, Office of Science and Technology. [FR Doc. E6-10677 Filed 7-7-06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560-50-P

FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice; Announcing a Partially Open Meeting of the Board of Directors

TIME AND DATE: The open meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 12, 2006. The closed portion of the meeting will follow immediately the open portion of the meeting.

PLACE: Board Room, First Floor, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1625 Eye Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006. **STATUS:** The first portion of the meeting

will be open to the public. The final portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE OPEN PORTION: Federal Home Loan Bank *Elections.* Consideration of a final rule to allow the Federal Home Loan Banks to identify and communicate skills needed on their boards of directors.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE CLOSED **PORTION:** Periodic Update of Examination Program Development and Supervisory Findings.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Shelia Willis, Paralegal Specialist, Office of General Counsel, at 202–408– 2876 or williss@fhfb.gov.

Dated: July 5, 2006.

By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

John P. Kennedy,

General Counsel.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and **Mergers of Bank Holding Companies**

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 et seq.) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than August 4, 2006.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Anne McEwen, Financial Specialist) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. HSBC Holdings plc, HSBC Overseas Holdings (UK) Limited, both of London, United Kingdom; HSBC North America Inc., Buffalo, New York, HSBC Investments (North America) Inc., Wilmington, Delaware, HSBC North America Holdings Inc., Prospect Heights, Illinois, and HSBC USA Inc., New York, New York; to acquire HSBC National Bank USA, Bethesda, Maryland (a de novo bank).

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 5, 2006.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Secretary of the Board.

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