

Year 2012 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 conducts 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 meeting, a work group of the chartered SAB will receive briefings on the requested research budget for Fiscal Year 2012 and develop a draft report for review by the full chartered SAB. The report will provide comments on the requested budget, in light of EPA's research needs. Previous SAB budget advisories are on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**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 on the topics included in this advisory activity and/or the group conducting the activity. They should send their comments directly to the Designated Federal Officer for the relevant advisory committee.

**Oral Statements:** In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at a public meeting will be limited to five minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of one hour for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Dr. Nugent, DFO, in writing (preferably via e-mail) at the contact information noted above by February 28, 2011 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 28, 2011 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 e-mail (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.

Dated: February 3, 2011,

**Anthony Maciorowski,**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9264-5]

### Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Notification of a Public Meeting of the Science Advisory Board Panel for the Review of EPA's Hydraulic Fracturing Study Plan

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public face-to-face meeting of the SAB Panel to conduct an independent review of EPA's Draft Hydraulic Fracturing Study Plan.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on March 7, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and March 8, 2011 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Eastern Time).

**ADDRESSES:** The Panel meeting will be held at the Westin Alexandria Hotel located at 400 Courthouse Square, Alexandria, VA 22314.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this meeting 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 e-mail at [hanlon.edward@epa.gov](mailto:hanlon.edward@epa.gov). General information concerning the EPA Science Advisory Board can be found at the EPA SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>. Any inquiry regarding EPA's Draft Hydraulic

Fracturing Study Plan should be directed to Susan Burden, EPA Office of Research and Development (ORD), at [burden.susan@epa.gov](mailto:burden.susan@epa.gov) or (202) 564-6308. Media inquiries regarding EPA's Draft Hydraulic Fracturing Study Plan should be directed to Ms. Amy Dewey, EPA Office of Public Affairs (OPA), at [dewey.amy@epa.gov](mailto:dewey.amy@epa.gov) or (202) 564-7816.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Background:** 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 an ad hoc SAB Panel will hold a public meeting to review EPA's Draft Hydraulic Fracturing Study Plan. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

The EPA Draft Study Plan develops research questions and identifies research needs, and proposes an approach to: (1) Gather existing data and information, including input from stakeholders; (2) catalog potential impacts of hydraulic fracturing on drinking water resources; and (3) identify data gaps. EPA is seeking SAB review and comment regarding the Draft Study Plan. The SAB Staff Office previously announced that it was forming an SAB ad hoc Panel to provide independent expert advice on EPA's Draft Hydraulic Fracturing Study Plan (75 FR 42087-42088, July 20, 2010). The purpose of the March 7-8, 2011, meeting is for the Panel to discuss their review comments on EPA's Draft Study Plan.

**Availability of Meeting Materials:** The agenda and the EPA Draft Study Plan will be available on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab> in advance of the meeting.

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Dated: February 3, 2011.

**Anthony F. Maciorowski,**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0123; FRL-8862-5]

### Methyl Bromide; Notice of Receipt of Requests To Voluntarily Amend Registrations To Terminate Certain Soil Uses

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, EPA is issuing a

notice of receipt of requests by the registrants to voluntarily amend their methyl bromide product registrations to terminate or delete one or more soil uses. The requests would delete all methyl bromide soil uses that do not meet the definition of a "critical use," a "quarantine application," or a "pre-shipment application" with the exception of the following uses: (1) Soils to be planted with caneberries (use allowed until December 31, 2014), fresh market tomatoes grown in California (use allowed until December 31, 2012), fresh market peppers grown in California (use allowed until December 31, 2012), Vidalia onions grown in Georgia (use allowed until December 31, 2012), ginger grown in Hawaii (use allowed until December 31, 2012); (2) soils on golf courses and athletic/recreational fields for resurfacing/replanting of turf (use allowed until December 31, 2013), and (3) tobacco seedling trays (use allowed until December 31, 2014). These requests would not affect post-harvest fumigant products. In addition, the Agency received a request from Soil Chemicals Corporation dba Cardinal Professional Products to voluntarily amend methyl bromide product registration 8536-12 to terminate or delete all soil uses. This request does not cover the post harvest uses on the label. The requests would not terminate the last methyl bromide products registered for use in the United States. EPA intends to grant these requests at the close of the comment period for this announcement unless the Agency receives substantive comments within the comment period that would merit its further review of the requests, or unless the registrants withdraw their requests. If these requests are granted, any sale, distribution, or use of products listed in this notice will be permitted after the uses are deleted only if such sale, distribution, or use is consistent with the terms as described in the final order.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before March 11, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0123, by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001.
- *Delivery:* OPP Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. S-4400, One

Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. Deliveries are only accepted during the Docket Facility's normal hours of operation (8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays). Special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0123. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the docket without change and may be made available on-line at <http://www.regulations.gov>, 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 [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or e-mail. The [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the 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:* All documents in the docket are listed in the docket index available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. 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 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