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Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9458-6]

Notification of a Public Teleconference; Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee; Air Monitoring and Methods Subcommittee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public teleconference of the Air Monitoring and Methods Subcommittee (AMMS) of the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) to provide advice on EPA's draft Near-Road NO₂ Monitoring Technical Assistance Document.

DATES: A public teleconference call will be held on Thursday, September 29, 2011 from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Eastern Time).

ADDRESSES: The public teleconference will be conducted by telephone only.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this Notice and public teleconference 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. General information concerning the EPA CASAC can be found at the EPA CASAC Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/casac>. Any inquiry regarding EPA's draft Near-Road NO₂ Monitoring Technical Assistance Document should be directed to Mr. Neelson Watkins, EPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards

(OAQPS) at watkins.neelson@epa.gov or 919-541-5522.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The CASAC was established pursuant to the under 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. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that the AMMS will hold a public teleconference call to provide advice through the chartered CASAC on EPA's draft Near-Road NO₂ Monitoring Technical Assistance Document.

In February 2010, EPA promulgated new minimum monitoring requirements for the nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) monitoring network in support of a newly revised National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for 1-hour NO₂ (75 FR 6474). In the new monitoring requirements, state and local air monitoring agencies are required to install near-road NO₂ monitoring stations at locations where peak hourly NO₂ concentrations are expected to occur within the near-road environment in larger urban areas. State and local air agencies are required to consider traffic volumes, fleet mix, roadway design, traffic congestion patterns, local terrain or topography, meteorology, population exposure and other factors in determining where a required near-road NO₂ monitor should be placed. In August 2010, EPA's Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) requested that CASAC review the initial phase of EPA's Near Road project, and CASAC issued a final report to the EPA Administrator in November 2010 entitled "Review of the 'Near-road Guidance Document—Outline' and 'Near-road Monitoring Pilot Study Objectives and Approach'." OAR considered those recommendations from CASAC and has developed a draft technical document entitled "Near-Road NO₂ Monitoring Technical Assistance Document—DRAFT August 11, 2011" to provide state and local air monitoring agencies with recommendations and ideas on how to successfully implement near-road NO₂ monitors required by the 2010 revisions to the NO₂ minimum monitoring requirements. Since the

establishment of near-road NO₂ monitoring stations will create an infrastructure that will likely be capable of housing multi-pollutant ambient air monitoring equipment, OAR's draft Technical Assistance Document also discusses other pollutants of interest that exist in the near-road environment, including definitions, basis of interest, and measurement methods. OAR requested CASAC advice on how to improve the near-road NO₂ Monitoring draft Technical Assistance Document.

Availability of Meeting Materials: The agenda and materials in support of these teleconference calls will be placed on the EPA CASAC Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/casac> in advance of the teleconference call.

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 for a Federal advisory committee to consider as it develops advice for EPA. Input from the public to the CASAC will have the most impact if it provides specific scientific or technical information or analysis for CASAC to consider or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to provide comment on the Subcommittee membership and/or this advisory activity should contact the Designated Federal Officer for the relevant advisory committee directly.

Oral Statements: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at this public teleconference will be limited to three minutes per speaker. Interested parties should contact Mr. Edward Hanlon, DFO, in writing (preferably via e-mail), at the contact information noted above, by September 22, 2011 to be placed on the list of public speakers for the teleconference.

Written Statements: Written statements should be received in the SAB Staff Office by September 22, 2011 so that the information may be made available to the Panel for their consideration. Written statements should be supplied to the DFO in electronic format via e-mail (acceptable file formats: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, 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. Edward Hanlon at the phone number or e-mail address noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: August 24, 2011.

Vanessa T. Vu,

Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9458-4]

Notification of a Joint Public Teleconference of the Chartered Science Advisory Board and Board of Scientific Counselors

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a joint public teleconference of the Chartered SAB and Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) to discuss a draft report providing advice on Office of Research and Development's (ORD's) new strategic directions for research.

DATES: The public teleconference will be held on Monday, September 19, 2011 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. (Eastern Daylight Time).

ADDRESSES: The public teleconference will be conducted by telephone only.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public who wishes further information concerning the teleconference may contact Dr. Angela Nugent, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), EPA Science Advisory Board (1400R), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; via

telephone/voice mail (202) 564-2218, fax (202) 565-2098; or e-mail at nugent.angela@epa.gov. General information concerning the SAB can be found on the EPA Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

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 BOSC was established by the EPA to provide advice, information, and recommendations regarding the ORD research program. The SAB and BOSC are Federal Advisory Committees 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 the SAB and BOSC will hold a joint public teleconference to discuss a draft report providing advice on Office of Research and Development's (ORD's) new strategic directions for research. The SAB and BOSC will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies.

The Office of Research and Development is restructuring its research programs for FY 2012 to better understand environmental problems and inform sustainable solutions to meet EPA's strategic goals. The SAB and BOSC held a public meeting on June 29-30, 2011 to receive briefings and discuss draft research frameworks for ORD's six major research programs (76 FR 32198-32199). The SAB and BOSC will hold a public teleconference on September 19, 2011 to discuss their draft joint advisory report. Additional information about SAB and BOSC advice on new ORD strategic research directions can be found on the SAB Web site at http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr_activites/Strategic%20Research%20Directions?OpenDocument.

Availability of Meeting Materials: A meeting agenda and other materials for the meeting will be placed on the SAB Web site at <http://epa.gov/sab>.

Procedures for Providing Public Input: Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for consideration on the topics included in this advisory activity. **Oral Statements:** To be placed on the public speaker list for the September 19, 2011 meeting, interested parties should notify Dr. Angela Nugent, DFO, by e-mail no later than September 15, 2011.

Individuals making oral statements will be limited to five minutes per speaker. **Written Statements:** Written statements for the September 19, 2011 meeting should be received in the SAB Staff Office by September 15, 2011, so that the information may be made available to the SAB and BOSC for their consideration prior to this meeting. 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, MS Word, WordPerfect, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format). Submitters are asked to provide electronic 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. Nugent at the phone number or e-mail address noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: August 26, 2011.

Vanessa T. Vu,

Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9458-7]

Proposed Consent Decree, Clean Air Act Citizen Suit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed consent decree; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended ("CAA" or the "Act"), 42 U.S.C. 7413(g), notice is hereby given of a proposed consent decree to address a lawsuit filed by WildEarth Guardians and Sierra Club in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California: *WildEarth Guardians et al. v. Jackson*, No. 3:11-cv-00190-WHA (N.D. Cal.). On July 6, 2011, Plaintiffs filed an amended complaint alleging that EPA failed, among other things, to take final action under section 110(k)(2) and (3) of the CAA to approve or disapprove, approve in part, or disapprove in part State Implementation