

I. General Information

A. Does this action apply to me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you manufacture (defined under TSCA to include import), process, distribute in commerce, use or dispose of any of the ten chemical substances identified in this document for risk evaluation. This action may be of particular interest to entities that are regulated under TSCA (e.g., entities identified under North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes 325 and 324110, among others). Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities and corresponding NAICS codes for entities that may be interested in or affected by this action.

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

The docket for this action, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2017-0327, is available

at <http://www.regulations.gov> or at the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics Docket (OPPT Docket), Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), West William Jefferson Clinton Bldg., Rm. 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket is (202) 566-0280. Please review the visitor instructions and additional information about the docket available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

C. What is the Agency's authority for taking this action?

This action directly implements TSCA section 6(b)(4)(D).

II. Background

EPA published a notice in the **Federal Register** of December 19, 2016 (81 FR 91927) (FRL-9956-47) of EPA's

designation of 10 chemical substances for initial risk evaluations under TSCA. EPA's designation of the first ten chemical substances constituted the initiation of the risk evaluation process for each of these chemical substances, pursuant to the requirements of TSCA section 6(b)(4).

III. What action is the Agency taking?

In fulfillment of the requirements in TSCA section 6(b)(4)(D), EPA is publishing the scopes of the risk evaluations for the first 10 chemical substances designated to undergo risk evaluation to determine whether the chemical substances present an unreasonable risk of injury to human health or the environment under TSCA section 6(b)(4). The 10 chemical substances for which EPA is publishing the scopes of the risk evaluations are:

Chemical name	Docket ID No.	Agency contact
Asbestos	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0736	Robert Courtnage, courtnage.robert@epa.gov , 202-566-1081.
1-Bromopropane	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0741	Ana Corado, corado.ana@epa.gov , 202-564-0140.
1,4-Dioxane	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0723	Cindy Wheeler, wheeler.cindy@epa.gov , 202-566-0484.
Carbon Tetrachloride	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0733	Stephanie Jarmul, jarmul.stephanie@epa.gov , 202-564-6130.
Cyclic Aliphatic Bromide Cluster (HBCD)	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0735	Sue Slotnick, slotnick.sue@epa.gov , 202-566-1973.
Methylene Chloride	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0742	Ana Corado, corado.ana@epa.gov , 202-564-0140.
N-Methylpyrrolidone (NMP)	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0743	Ana Corado, corado.ana@epa.gov , 202-564-0140.
Pigment Violet 29 (Anthra[2,1,9-def:6,5,10-d'e'f'] diisoquinoline-1,3,8,10(2H,9H)-tetrone).	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0725	Hannah Braun, braun.hannah@epa.gov , 202-564-5614.
Tetrachloroethylene (also known as perchloroethylene)	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0732	Tyler Lloyd, lloyd.tyler@epa.gov , 202-564-4016.
Trichloroethylene (TCE)	EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0737	Toni Krasnic, krasnic.toni@epa.gov , 202-564-0984.

The scope of the risk evaluation for each of these 10 chemical substances includes the hazards, exposures, conditions of use, and the potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations the EPA expects to consider. To the extent possible, EPA has aligned these scope documents with the approach set forth in the risk evaluation process. The timeframe for development of these scope documents has been very compressed. The first 10 chemical substances were not subject to prioritization, the process through which EPA expects to collect and screen much of the relevant information about chemical substances that will be subject to the risk evaluation process. As a result, EPA had limited ability to process all the information gathered during scoping for the first 10 chemicals within the time provided in the statute for publication of the scopes after initiation of the risk evaluation process.

Hence, the scope documents for the first 10 chemicals are not as refined or specific as future scope documents are anticipated to be. In addition, there was insufficient time for EPA to provide an opportunity for comment on drafts of these scope documents, as it intends to do for future scope documents. For these reasons, EPA will publish and take public comment on a Problem Formulation document which will refine the current scope, as an additional interim step, prior to publication of the draft risk evaluations for the first 10 chemicals. The problem formulation documents are expected to be released within approximately 6 months of publication of the scope document. EPA invites the public to provide additional data or information that would be useful in conducting the problem formulation to the existing public docket for each of these chemicals.

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 2601 *et seq.*

Dated: June 22, 2017.

E. Scott Pruitt,
Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9964-12-Region 2]

Proposed CERCLA Sections 104, 106, 107, and 122 Bona Fide Prospective Purchaser Settlement for Removal Action for the Alfred Heller Heat Treating Superfund Site, City of Clifton, Passaic County, New Jersey

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (“CERCLA”), notice is hereby given by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”), Region 2, of a proposed bona fide prospective purchaser settlement agreement pursuant to Sections 104, 106, 107, and 122 of CERCLA, with 356 Getty Avenue, LLC for the Alfred Heller Heat Treating Superfund Site (“Site”), located in the City of Clifton, Passaic County, New Jersey. 356 Getty Avenue, LLC agrees to perform a CERCLA removal action at the Site and pay EPA \$25,000 for EPA’s future oversight costs at or in connection with the Site.

The settlement includes a covenant by EPA not to sue or to take administrative action against 356 Getty Avenue, LLC pursuant to Sections 106 and 107(a) of CERCLA, for Existing Contamination, a defined term under the settlement agreement, at the Site. For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, EPA will receive written comments relating to the settlement. EPA will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations that indicate that the proposed settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. EPA’s response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at EPA Region 2, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007–1866.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before August 7, 2017.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at EPA Region 2 offices at 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007–1866. Comments should reference the Alfred Heller Heat Treating Superfund Site, City of Clifton, Passaic County, New Jersey, Index No. II–CERCLA–02–2017–2008. To request a copy of the proposed settlement agreement, please contact the EPA employee identified below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah Schwenk, Assistant Regional Counsel, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, New York, NY 10007–1866. Email: schwenk.deborah@epa.gov. Telephone: 212–637–3149.

Dated: May 2, 2017.

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Acting Director, Emergency and Remedial Response Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–9964–75–OA]

Notification of a Closed Meeting of the Science Advisory Board’s 2017 Scientific and Technological Achievement Awards Committee and Closed Meeting of the Science Advisory Board

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a meeting of the SAB’s 2017 Scientific and Technological Achievement Awards (STAA) Committee and a meeting of the chartered SAB to develop and review recommendations for recognition under the Agency’s 2017 STAA program. These meetings are closed to the public.

DATES: The STAA Committee meeting will be held Wednesday, July 19, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Thursday, July 20, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). The chartered SAB meeting will be held Friday, September 15, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (Eastern Time). The meetings will be closed to the public.

ADDRESSES: The STAA Committee meeting will be held at the Melrose Georgetown Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20037. The chartered SAB meeting will be held in the Washington, DC metro area, and an agenda with the final location will be posted on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Members of the public who wish to obtain further information regarding the STAA Committee meeting may contact Edward Hanlon, Designated Federal Officer, by telephone: (202) 564–2134 or email at hanlon.edward@epa.gov.

Members of the public who wish to obtain further information regarding the chartered SAB meeting may contact Thomas Carpenter, Designated Federal Officer, by telephone: (202) 564–4885 or email at carpenter.thomas@epa.gov. The SAB Mailing address is EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office (1400R), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460. General information about the SAB as well as updates concerning the SAB meeting announced in this notice may be found on the SAB 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 (ERDDAA), 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. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that the SAB 2017 STAA Committee will hold a closed meeting to develop recommendations for recipients of the Agency’s 2017 STAA program achievement awards and recommendations for improvement of the Agency’s STAA program, and the chartered SAB will hold a closed meeting to conduct a review of the SAB 2017 STAA Committee’s draft advisory report. Under normal circumstances, a notice of the Committee meeting must be published no later than 15 days before the date of that meeting. Due to unavoidable administrative circumstances, we are publishing this notice with less than 15 days’ advance notice for the STAA Committee meeting on July 19 and 20, 2017.

The STAA awards are established to honor and recognize EPA employees who have made outstanding contributions in the advancement of science and technology through their research and development activities, as exhibited in publication of their results in peer reviewed journals. In conducting its review, the SAB considers each nomination in relation to the following four award levels:

- Level I awards are for those who have accomplished an exceptionally high-quality research or technological effort. The awards recognize the creation or general revision of scientific or technological principle or procedure, or a highly significant improvement in the value of a device, activity, program, or service to the public. Awarded research is of national significance or has high impact on a broad area of science/technology. The research has far reaching consequences and is recognizable as a major scientific/technological achievement within its discipline or field of study.

- Level II awards are for those who have accomplished a notably excellent research or technological effort that has qualities and values similar to, but to a lesser degree, than those described under Level I. Awarded research has timely consequences and contributes as