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**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9976-93-OW]

### Re-Establishment of the Environmental Financial Advisory Board

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) intends to re-establish the Environmental Financial Advisory Board (EFAB) for a two-year period due to an administrative delay in filing the committee's renewal charter. EPA has determined that the EFAB is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the agency by law. The purpose of EFAB is to provide advice and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on issues associated with environmental financing.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Inquiries may be directed to Leo Gueriguian, Associate Director, Water Infrastructure Division, U.S. EPA, William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460 (Mail Code: 4201T), Telephone (202) 564-0388, or [gueriguian.leo@epa.gov](mailto:gueriguian.leo@epa.gov).

Dated: April 10, 2018.

**Andrew D. Sawyers,**

*Director, Office of Wastewater Management, Office of Water.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2006-0971; FRL-9976-54-OAR]

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Aerosol Coatings

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Aerosol Coatings" (EPA ICR No. 2289.04, OMB Control No. 2060-0617) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). Before doing so, the EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through October 31, 2018. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before June 18, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2006-0971 online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), by email to: [a-and-r-docket@epa.gov](mailto:a-and-r-docket@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

The EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Kaye Whitfield, Sector Policies and Programs Division (Mail Code D243-02), Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711; telephone number: (919) 541-2509; fax number: (919) 541-5450; email address: [whitfield.kaye@epa.gov](mailto:whitfield.kaye@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Supporting documents which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in person at the EPA Docket Center, EPA WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about the EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, the EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it to: (i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. The EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, the EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

**Abstract:** The EPA is required under section 183(e) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) to regulate volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from the use of consumer and commercial products. Pursuant to CAA section 183(e)(3), the EPA published a list of consumer and commercial products and a schedule for their regulation (60 FR 15264). Aerosol coatings are included on the list, and the standards for such coatings are codified at 40 CFR part 59, subpart E. The reports required under the standards enable the EPA to identify coating formulations manufactured, imported, or distributed in the United States, and to determine the product-weighted reactivity. The ICR addresses the burden for activities conducted in 3-year increments after promulgation of the national VOC emission standards for aerosol coatings. Regulated entities read instructions to determine how they are affected by the rule. They are required to submit initial notifications when an aerosol coating is manufactured and notification of changes in the initial report, to report formulation data and exemptions claimed, and to maintain records. In addition, regulated entities are required to submit triennial reports that include formulation data and VOC usage.

**Form Numbers:** None.

**Respondents/affected entities:** Respondents to this information collection are manufacturers,

distributors, and importers of aerosol coatings. These regulated entities fall within the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Code 32551, "Paint and Coating Manufacturing" and NAICS Code 325998, "All Other Miscellaneous Chemical Production and Preparation Manufacturing."

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Mandatory under 40 CFR part 59, subpart E.

*Estimated number of respondents:* 65 (total).

*Frequency of response:* Annual, triennial.

*Total estimated burden:* 12,259 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

*Total estimated cost:* \$855,113 (per year), includes no annualized capital or operation and maintenance costs.

*Changes in Estimates:* There is a decrease of 6 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. This decrease is due to addressing calculation errors in the previously approved ICR.

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**Penny Lassiter,**

*Acting Director, Sector Policies and Programs Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9976-97-OA]

### Notification of a Public Meeting of the Chartered Science Advisory Board

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public meeting of the chartered SAB to: (1) Conduct a quality review of a draft SAB report on an Screening Methodologies to Support Risk and Technology Reviews (RTR) for National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: RTR; (2) discuss information provided by the EPA on planned actions in the 2017 semi-annual regulatory agenda and their supporting science; and (3) receive briefings from the EPA Office of Research and Development, the Office of Water, and the Office of Air.

**DATES:** The public meeting will be held on Thursday, May 31, 2018, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday June 1, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Washington Plaza Hotel, 10 Thomas Circle NW, Washington, DC 20005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public who wants further information concerning the meeting may contact Mr. Thomas Carpenter, 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) 564-4885, or email at [carpenter.thomas@epa.gov](mailto:carpenter.thomas@epa.gov). General information concerning the SAB can be found on the EPA website 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 scientific and 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 will hold a public meeting to discuss and deliberate on the topics below.

#### (1) Quality Review of a Draft SAB Review Report on the Screening Methodologies To Support Risk and Technology Reviews (RTR): A Case Study Analysis

EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) requested that the SAB conduct a review of the methods for conducting Risk and Technology Review Assessments in conjunction with assessments of residual risk required by the Clean Air Act. These assessments evaluate the effects of industrial emissions of hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) on public health and the environment. The SAB convened RTR Methods Panel to review EPA's draft Screening Methodologies to Support Risk and Technology Reviews (RTR) (External Review Draft May, 2017).

The chartered SAB will conduct a quality review of the panel's draft report before it is transmitted to the EPA Administrator. The SAB quality review process ensures that all draft reports developed by SAB panels, committees or workgroups are reviewed and approved by the Chartered SAB before being finalized and transmitted to the

EPA Administrator. These reviews are conducted in a public meeting as required by FACA.

Background on the current advisory activity, Screening Methodologies to Support Risk and Technology Reviews (RTR): A Case Study Analysis can be found on the SAB website at [http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr\\_activites/RTR%20Screening%20Methods%20Review?OpenDocument](http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr_activites/RTR%20Screening%20Methods%20Review?OpenDocument).

#### (2) Discussion of Information in the Agency's Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

As part of the EPA's effort to routinely inform the SAB about proposed and planned agency actions that have a scientific or technical basis, the agency provided notice to the SAB that the Office of Management and Budget published the "Unified (Regulatory) Agenda" on the Web on and available at: <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaMain>.

The SAB convened a Work Group to review information provided in the agency's 2017 regulatory agenda regarding EPA planned actions and their supporting science. The SAB will discuss recommendations and information developed by the Work Group regarding the adequacy of the science supporting the planned actions. Information about this advisory activity can be found on the Web at: [http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr\\_activites/SAB%20Spring%202017%20Reg%20Agenda?OpenDocument](http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr_activites/SAB%20Spring%202017%20Reg%20Agenda?OpenDocument).

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

*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 the EPA. Members of the public can submit relevant comments pertaining to the EPA's charge, meeting materials, or the group providing advice. Input from the public to the SAB will have the most impact if it provides specific scientific or technical information or analysis for the SAB to consider or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to