

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this notice may contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), SAB Staff Office, by telephone at (202) 564–2050 or via email at [yeow.aaron@epa.gov](mailto:yeow.aaron@epa.gov). General information concerning the CASAC, as well as any updates concerning the meetings announced in this notice can be found on the CASAC website: <https://casac.epa.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* The CASAC was established pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA) Amendments of 1977, codified at 42 U.S.C. 7409(d)(2), to review air quality criteria and NAAQS and recommend to the EPA Administrator any new NAAQS and revisions of existing criteria and NAAQS as may be appropriate. The CASAC shall also: advise the EPA Administrator of areas in which additional knowledge is required to appraise the adequacy and basis of existing, new, or revised NAAQS; describe the research efforts necessary to provide the required information; advise the EPA Administrator on the relative contribution to air pollution concentrations of natural as well as anthropogenic activity; and advise the EPA Administrator of any adverse public health, welfare, social, economic, or energy effects which may result from various strategies for attainment and maintenance of such NAAQS. As amended, 5 U.S.C., App. Section 109(d)(1) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) requires that EPA carry out a periodic review and revision, as appropriate, of the air quality criteria and the NAAQS for the six “criteria” air pollutants, including ozone and related photochemical oxidants.

The CASAC is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2, and conducts business in accordance with FACA and related regulations. The CASAC and the CASAC Ozone Panel 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 CASAC Ozone Panel will hold a public meeting to receive a briefing from EPA on the *Policy Assessment (PA) for the Reconsideration of the Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards, External Review Draft Version 2*, and a public meeting for the panel to peer review the PA.

*Technical Contacts:* Any technical questions concerning the PA should be

directed to Ms. Leigh Meyer ([meyer.leigh@epa.gov](mailto:meyer.leigh@epa.gov)).

*Availability of Meeting Materials:*

Prior to the meeting, the review documents, agenda and other materials will be accessible on the CASAC website: <https://casac.epa.gov>.

*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 relevant comments on the topic of this advisory activity, including the charge to the CASAC and the EPA review documents, and/or the group conducting the activity, for the CASAC 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 should follow the instructions below to submit comments.

*Oral Statements:* Individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation during the public meeting will be limited to five minutes. Each person making an oral statement should consider providing written comments as well as their oral statement so that the points presented orally can be expanded upon in writing. The public comment period will be on March 29, 2023. Interested parties should contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, DFO, in writing (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by March 22, 2023, to be placed on the list of public speakers.

*Written Statements:* Written statements will be accepted throughout the advisory process; however, for timely consideration by CASAC members, statements should be supplied to the DFO (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by March 22, 2023. 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 websites. Members of the public should be aware that their personal

contact information, if included in any written comments, may be posted to the CASAC website. 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. Aaron Yeow at (202) 564–2050 or [yeow.aaron@epa.gov](mailto:yeow.aaron@epa.gov). To request accommodation of a disability, please contact the DFO, at the contact information noted above, preferably at least ten days prior to each meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[EPA–HQ–ORD–2015–0765; FRL–10643–01–ORD]**

**Request for Public Nominations of Experts to Serve on a Review Panel**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is seeking nominations for technical experts to serve as Special Government Employees (SGEs) on a review panel under the authority of the Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC), a federal advisory committee to the Office of Research and Development (ORD). Selected experts will participate in the review of the ORD’s draft report on a case study that uses value of information (VOI) analysis to weigh the public health and economic trade-offs associated with the timeliness, uncertainty, and costs of the draft EPA Transcriptomic Assessment Product (ETAP). The ETAP is a proposed ORD assessment product that utilizes a standardized short-term *in vivo* study design and data analysis procedures to develop transcriptomic-based toxicity values for data poor chemicals. The review will take place between April and July 2023. Submission of nominations should be made via the BOSC website at: <https://www.epa.gov/bosc>.

**DATES:** Nominations should be submitted by March 3, 2023, per instructions below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public needing additional information regarding this Notice and Request for Nominations

may contact Mr. Tom Tracy, Office of Science Policy, Office of Research and Development, Mail Code B343–01, 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711; via phone/voice mail at: (919) 541–4334; or via email at: [tracy.tom@epa.gov](mailto:tracy.tom@epa.gov). General information concerning the BOSC can be found at the following website: <https://www.epa.gov/bosc>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The BOSC is a chartered Federal Advisory Committee established by the EPA to provide independent scientific and technical peer review, advice, consultation, and recommendations about ORD. As a Federal Advisory Committee, the BOSC conducts business in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. app. 2) and related regulations. The BOSC is comprised of an Executive Committee and two supporting subcommittee(s): Social and Community Science, and Climate Change. Please visit <https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/about-office-research-and-development-ord> to learn more about ORD's research programs. Members of the BOSC constitute a distinguished body of non-EPA scientists, engineers, and economists who are experts in their respective fields. The chartered BOSC provides scientific advice to the EPA Administrator on a variety of EPA science and research topics. All the work of BOSC standing committees and ad-hoc panels is conducted under the auspices of the chartered BOSC. The chartered BOSC executive committee review all BOSC standing committee and ad-hoc panel draft reports and determine whether each meets the BOSC's criteria and high-quality standards required to deliver them to the EPA Administrator.

The BOSC will evaluate ORD's draft report on a case study that uses value of information (VOI) analysis to weigh the public health and economic trade-offs associated with the timeliness, uncertainty, and costs of the draft EPA Transcriptomic Assessment Product (ETAP). The ETAP is a proposed ORD assessment product that utilizes a standardized short-term *in vivo* study design and data analysis procedures to develop transcriptomic-based toxicity values for data poor chemicals. The draft report will be provided in the BOSC docket prior to the meeting and will present an in-depth comparison of the ETAP with traditional toxicity testing and human health assessment processes across different chemical exposure scenarios, health endpoint

valuations, exposure mitigation costs, and decision contexts. The review of the draft report on the VOI case study by the BOSC is being performed in close coordination with a separate BOSC review of the underlying scientific studies supporting development and implementation of the ETAP.

##### Expertise Sought

The EPA invites nominations of individuals to serve as SGEs with expertise or extensive experience in the following scientific disciplines and topic areas as they relate to human health and the environment:

- Decision analysis, including value of information
- Human health chemical risk assessment
- Toxicology
- Exposure science, including computational exposure modeling
- Statistics, including Bayesian methods
- Health economics
- Transcriptomics, including dose response modeling of transcriptomic data

##### Selection Criteria

Nominations will be evaluated on the basis of several criteria including: (a) demonstrated scientific and/or technical credentials and disciplinary expertise, knowledge, and experience in relevant fields; (b) availability to serve and willingness to commit time to the committee (approximately one to three meetings per year both by teleconferences and possibly face-to-face meetings); (c) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (d) absence of an appearance of a lack of impartiality; (e) demonstrated ability to work constructively and effectively on committees; and (f) background and experiences that would contribute to the diversity of viewpoints, *e.g.*, workforce sector, geographical location, social, cultural, and educational backgrounds, and professional affiliations.

##### Process and Deadline for Submitting Nominations

Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified persons to be considered for appointment as an SGE. Nominations should be submitted via the BOSC website at: <https://www.epa.gov/bosc>. Nominations should be submitted no later than March 3, 2023. To receive full consideration, nominations should include all the information requested. EPA's nomination form requests: contact information about the person making the nomination; contact information about the nominee; the disciplinary and

specific areas of expertise of the nominee; the nominee's curriculum vita and/or resume; and additional information that would be useful for considering the nomination such as background and qualifications (*e.g.*, current position, educational background, expertise, research areas), experience relevant to one or more of ORD's research programs, service on other advisory committees and professional societies, and availability to participate as an SGE. Persons having questions about the nomination procedures, or who are unable to submit nominations through the BOSC website, should contact Mr. Tom Tracy, as indicated above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice.

##### Mary Ross,

*Director, Office of Science Advisor, Policy and Engagement.*

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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##### Proposed Variances from the Classification of Solid Waste for HVF Precious Metals, LLC (Tucson, AZ)

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

**ACTION:** Notice of tentative decision.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to grant a petition for variances from the classification as solid waste for two materials produced by HVF Precious Metals, LLC (HVF) at its facility in Tucson, Arizona.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before March 30, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OLEM–2022–0967 to:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov/> (our preferred method). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center, Office of Land and Emergency Management Docket, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier (by scheduled appointment only):* EPA Docket Center, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004. The Docket Center's hours of operations are 8:30