

**Burden Statement:** In the ICR for 1994–1996, the total burden associated with this ICR was estimated to be approximately 11 million hours per year and the total cost was estimated to be \$365 million per year. We expect that the burden for the continuing ICR for 1997–1999 will be in the same range as the three previous years. EPA intends to examine how SDWIS could assist in reducing the burden on the States for reporting requirements and will be working with selected State officials as we work on this renewal. Any recommendations from the drinking water community and the general public on this issue will be given consideration by the Agency.

Dated: March 25, 1997.

**Cynthia C. Dougherty,**

*Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.*

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### Transfer Of Confidential Business Information To Contractors

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of transfer of data and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will transfer Confidential Business Information (CBI) to its contractor, Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors: Marasco Newton Group, Ltd. (MNG), and Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC). These data pertain to the quantities of hazardous waste generated or received, the disposition of those wastes, and where applicable, waste minimization efforts undertaken and reduction achieved. These data have been or will be submitted to EPA pursuant to the Biennial Reporting requirements of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (RCRA), as amended. Some of the information may have a claim of business confidentiality. SAIC, its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors are assisting EPA in establishing national data bases on hazardous waste generation and management.

**DATE:** Transfer of confidential data submitted to EPA will occur no sooner than April 10, 1997.

**ADDRESSEE:** Comments should be sent to Regina Magbie, Document Control Officer, Office of Solid Waste (5305W), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC

20460. Comments should be identified as “Transfer of Confidential Data.”

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Regina Magbie, Document Control Officer, Office of Solid Waste (5305W), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, 703–308–7909.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### 1. Transfer of Confidential Business Information

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is using biennial report data to establish a national data base on hazardous waste generation, management, and minimization. These data will be used to characterize the demographics of and trends in hazardous waste generation, management and minimization. Under EPA Contract No. 68–W1–0055, SAIC, Inc., its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors will assist the Information Management Branch, Communications, Information, and Resources Management Division, Office of Solid Waste, in establishing the national data base and preparing the national report based on those analyses. Some of the information being transferred may be claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI).

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.305(h), EPA has determined that SAIC, Inc., its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors require access to CBI submitted to EPA under the authority of RCRA to perform work satisfactory under the above noted contract.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of CBI on the 1989, 1991, 1993, 1995 and 1997 Hazardous Waste Report Forms (EPA Form 8700–13 A/B), or State developed biennial report forms, that EPA may transfer to these firms, on a need-to-know basis, CBI collected under the authority of RCRA. Upon completing their review of materials submitted, SAIC will return all material to EPA.

SAIC, Inc., its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors have been authorized to have access to RCRA CBI under the EPA “Contractor Requirements for the Control and Security of RCRA Confidential Business Information Security Manual.” EPA will approve the security plans of the contractors to ensure that their facilities comply with security procedures outlined in the security manual prior to RCRA CBI being transmitted to the contractors. Contractor personnel will be required to sign non-disclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to confidential information.

Dated: March 18, 1997.

**Matthew Hale,**

*Acting Director, Office of Solid Waste.*

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### Annual Conference on Analysis of Pollutants in the Environment

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

**ACTION:** Notice of conference.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Science and Technology and the Water Environment Federation will co-sponsor the “20th Annual Conference on Analysis of Pollutants in the Environment” to discuss all aspects of environmental measurement. The conference is open to the public.

**DATES:** The conference will be held on May 7–8, 1997. On May 7, 1997, the conference will begin at 8:30 am and last until 5:30 pm. On May 8, 1997, the conference will begin at 9 am and adjourn at 5 pm.

**ADDRESSES:** The conference will be held at the Omni Waterside Hotel, 77 Waterside Drive, Norfolk, Virginia 23510.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions regarding the conference program, contact Marion Thompson by phone at (202) 260–7117 or facsimile at (202) 260–7185. For information on registration, hotel, and transportation, contact the Water Environment Federation at (800) 666–0206.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA’s 20th Annual Conference on Analysis of Pollutants in the Environment is designed to bring together representatives of regulated industries, commercial environmental laboratories, state and Federal regulators, and environmental consultants and contractors to discuss all aspects of environmental measurement with a particular focus on analytical methods and related issues.

Hotel reservations must be made on or before Friday, April 4, 1997. Hotel reservations can be made by contacting the Omni Waterside Hotel at (804) 622–6664. Ask for Reservations, and identify the group as the Environmental Protection Agency. Reservation requests received after this date will be accepted on a space available and a rate-available basis.

The draft program for the conference follows:

**Wednesday, May 7**

- 8:30 am William Telliard, USEPA,  
Welcome  
8:45 am TBD, Keynote Address

**Program Policy**

- 9:15 am James Hanlon, USEPA,  
Harmonization of Methods Across  
EPA's Water Programs  
9:45 am William Telliard, USEPA,  
Updates on Proposal and/or  
Promulgation of Streamlining and on  
Methods for Oil and Grease, Trace  
Metals, Dioxins/Furans, Cyanides,  
and Other Substances of Regulatory  
Concern  
10:15 am Break

**Cryptosporidium**

- 10:30 am Frank Schaefer, USEPA,  
Methods for Determination of  
Parasites at Levels Necessary to  
Protect Public Health  
11:00 am Ephraim King, USEPA,  
Implementation of the Information  
Collection Rule (ICR)  
11:30 am Lunch  
1:00 pm Jennifer Clancy, CEC,  
Performance Characteristics of an  
Improved Method for Determination  
of Cryptosporidium in Water Using  
Vortex-flow and Capsule Filtration  
Combined with Immuno-magnetic  
Separation  
1:30 pm Ricardo DeLeon, Metropolitan  
Water District of Southern California,  
Novel Techniques for Detection of  
Cryptosporidium

**Drinking Water**

- 2:00 pm Mark Keating, North Carolina  
Cooperative Extension Service, Public  
Participation in Drinking Water  
Protection: Results from an EPA  
Environmental Justice Initiative in  
Northampton and Bertie Counties,  
North Carolina  
2:30 pm Dick Reding, USEPA, Recent  
Technological Advances in Drinking  
Water Methods  
3:00 pm Break  
3:15 pm TBD

**Organics**

- 3:45 pm M. Coreen Hamilton, Brian  
Fowler, and Dale Hoover, Axys  
Corporation, Implementation of  
Method 1668 for Determination of  
Toxic PCBs in Fish Tissue  
4:15 pm Al Uhler and G.S. Durrell,  
Battelle Ocean Sciences, and Mary  
Sue Brancato, Parametrix, Inc.,  
Determination of Butyltin Compounds  
in Seawater at the 1 Part-per-trillion  
Level  
4:45 pm Tamra Schumacher, Lancaster  
Laboratories, Fast Pre-screening of  
Environmental Samples Using Solid-  
phase Micro-extraction (SPME)

**Thursday, May 8****Trace Metals and Metals Speciation**

- 9:00 am John Donat, Old Dominion  
University, Determination of Free  
Copper Cu<sup>2+</sup> and Copper-organic  
Complexes in Marine and Other  
Natural Waters  
9:30 am Nicholas Bloom, Frontier  
Geosciences, Speciation and Analysis  
of Mercury in Natural Waters  
10:00 am Break  
10:15 am Gregory Cutter, Old  
Dominion University, Bioavailability  
and Toxicity of Selenium: The Need  
for Chemical Speciation Data  
10:45 am Ken Robillard, Eastman  
Kodak, Determination of Silver  
Species at Sub-part-per-billion Levels  
in Natural Waters and Effluents

**Conventionals**

- 11:15 am Mike Straka, A Comparison  
of Streamlined Proposal of WAD  
Cyanide Method 1677 (1996-1997)  
and Nationwide Approval of TKN  
ATPs (1989-1995)  
11:45 am Lunch

**Endocrine Disruptors**

- 1:30 pm TBD, Tufts University School  
of Medicine, Methods for  
Determination of Endocrine  
Disruptors

**Detection and Quantitation**

- 2:00 pm Robert A. Gibbons, University  
of Illinois at Chicago: Raymond F.  
Maddalone, TRW, Inc.; David E.  
Coleman, Alcoa Research; James K.  
Rice, James K. Rice Consulting; Babu  
R. Nott, Electric Power Research  
Institute; Larry LaFleur, National  
Council of the Paper Industry for Air  
and Stream Improvement, Industry  
Perspective on Detection and  
Quantitation Limits  
2:30 pm Henry D. Kahn, USEPA and  
Kathleen Stralka, SAIC, Alternate  
Estimates of Detection and  
Quantification  
3:00 pm Break  
3:15 pm Roger Stewart, Virginia DEQ,  
Analytical Variability Versus  
Concentration

**Quality Control**

- 4:00 pm Nicholas Bloom, Frontier  
Geosciences, EPA-CLP Quality  
Assurance Protocols: The Wrong Path  
to High Quality Data  
4:15 pm Marcia Kuehl, M.A. Kuehl  
Company, The Corruption of DQOs:  
Boilerplate, Statistics, and Reality  
Dated: March 20, 1997.

**Tudor T. Davies,**

*Director, Office of Science and Technology.*  
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**Microbial and Disinfectants/  
Disinfection Byproducts Advisory  
Committee; Notice of Open Meeting**

Under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal  
Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App.  
2, notice is hereby given that a meeting  
of the Microbial and Disinfectants/  
Disinfection Byproducts Advisory  
Committee will be held on April 16,  
1997, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. and  
on April 17, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. until  
4:00 p.m. at the Sheraton City Center  
Hotel, 1143 New Hampshire Ave.  
Northwest., Washington, DC 20037. The  
Committee was established earlier this  
year (on February 21, 1997, at 62 FR  
8012) to assist the Environmental  
Protection Agency (EPA) in the  
development of regulations, guidance  
and policies to address microorganisms  
and disinfectants/disinfection  
byproducts in drinking water.

The purpose of the meeting is to  
discuss issues related to the  
development of an Interim Enhanced  
Surface Water Treatment Rule (IESWTR)  
and a Stage 1 Disinfectants/Disinfection  
Byproducts (D/DBP) rule. The agenda  
for the meeting will include  
presentation and discussion of  
information and data related to  
microbial and disinfection byproducts  
issues developed by the Committee's  
technical working group. The agenda  
will also include discussion and  
evaluation of options to be considered  
for inclusion in EPA's Notice of Data  
Availability for the IESWTR and Stage  
1 D/DBP rule, with particular focus on  
turbidity; pre-disinfection and a  
microbial backstop; and Maximum  
Contaminant Levels and enhanced  
coagulation, as needed. In addition, the  
Committee may begin consideration of  
other issues, including but not limited  
to what to do about recycling of filter  
backwash (including filter-to-waste and  
other options); a physical removal credit  
for Cryptosporidium for conventional  
treatment; and sanitary surveys.

The meeting will be open to the  
public. Members of the public may  
attend the meeting, make oral  
statements at the meeting to the extent  
time permits and/or file written  
statements with the Committee for its  
consideration.

Members of the public who would  
like more information or who would  
like to present an oral statement or  
submit a written statement are requested  
to contact the Committee's Designated  
Federal Officer, Steve Potts, at the Office  
of Ground Water and Drinking Water,  
U.S. EPA, Mail Code 4607, 401 M Street,  
SW., Washington, DC 20460. Mr. Potts