

## II. Background

### A. Purpose of FIFRA SAP

FIFRA SAP serves as the primary scientific peer review mechanism of EPA's Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) and is structured to provide scientific advice, information and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on pesticides and pesticide-related issues as to the impact of regulatory actions on health and the environment. FIFRA SAP is a Federal advisory committee established in 1975 under FIFRA that operates in accordance with requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix). FIFRA SAP is composed of a permanent panel consisting of seven members who are appointed by the EPA Administrator from nominees provided by the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation. FIFRA established a Science Review Board (SRB) consisting of at least 60 scientists who are available to FIFRA SAP on an ad hoc basis to assist in reviews conducted by FIFRA SAP. As a scientific peer review mechanism, FIFRA SAP provides comments, evaluations, and recommendations to improve the effectiveness and quality of analyses made by Agency scientists. Members of FIFRA SAP are scientists who have sufficient professional qualifications, including training and experience, to provide expert advice and recommendation to the Agency.

### B. Public Meeting

The USEPA Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) conducts aquatic exposure assessments to determine whether pesticides that are applied according to label directions can result in water concentrations that may adversely impact human health or aquatic organisms. If estimated aquatic exposures indicate a potential for adverse effects, the assessment needs to characterize the likelihood of occurrence, including the range in magnitude of exposure, the frequency of exceeding toxicity thresholds, the location of likely exposures, and the potential for exposure to populations at risk.

The goal of SAM is to improve on OPP's existing aquatic exposure assessments by providing more systematic spatial- and temporal contexts for aquatic exposure assessments for both human health (drinking water) and aquatic organisms. Such context is needed to address common risk management questions regarding the likelihood of the exposure that may exceed toxicity thresholds of

concern and, should such exposures occur, how often, how long, and where adverse impacts from pesticides in water overlap with populations at risk. Though much of SAM is based upon OPP's traditional water models (*i.e.*, Surface Water Concentration Calculator [SWCC] comprised of the Pesticide Root Zone Model version 5 [PRZM5] and Variable Volume Water Model [VWWM]), the model is new in its spatial approach to modeling the fate and transport of pesticides and has been optimized for speed and efficiency.

### C. FIFRA SAP Documents and Meeting Minutes

EPA's background paper, related supporting materials, charge/questions to FIFRA SAP, FIFRA SAP composition (*i.e.*, members and ad hoc members for this meeting), and the meeting agenda will be available by approximately mid-August. In addition, the Agency may provide additional background documents as the materials become available. You may obtain electronic copies of these documents, and certain other related documents that might be available at <http://www.regulations.gov> and the FIFRA SAP Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/scipoly/sap>.

FIFRA SAP will prepare meeting minutes summarizing its recommendations to the Agency approximately 90 days after the meeting. The meeting minutes will be posted on the FIFRA SAP Web site or may be obtained from the OPP Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 136 *et. seq.*; 21 U.S.C. 301 *et seq.*

Dated: July 7, 2015.

**David J. Dix,**

*Director, Office of Science Coordination and Policy.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### Delegation of Authority To Implement and Enforce Outer Continental Shelf Air Regulations to the Maryland Department of the Environment

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

**ACTION:** Notice of delegation of authority.

**SUMMARY:** On April 4, 2014, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) sent the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) a letter

acknowledging MDE has been delegated the authority to implement and enforce sections of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Air Regulations. To inform regulated facilities and the public of MDE's delegation of authority to implement and enforce OCS regulations, EPA is making available a copy of EPA's letter to MDE through this notice.

**DATES:** On April 4, 2014, EPA sent MDE a letter acknowledging MDE has been delegated the authority to implement and enforce OCS Regulations.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of documents pertaining to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Air Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029. Copies of the State submittal are available at the Maryland Department of the Environment, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 705, Baltimore, Maryland 21230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cathleen Kennedy Van Osten, (215) 814-2746, or by email at [vanosten.cathleen@epa.gov](mailto:vanosten.cathleen@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On January 8, 2014, MDE requested delegation of authority to implement, administer, and enforce Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 55 (Outer Continental Shelf Air Regulations). On April 4, 2014, EPA sent MDE a letter acknowledging that MDE has been delegated the authority to implement and enforce OCS regulations. A copy of EPA's letter to MDE follows:

"The Honorable Robert M. Summers,  
Secretary

Maryland Department of the Environment  
1800 Washington Boulevard  
Baltimore, Maryland 21230  
Dear Secretary Summers:

Thank you for your January 8, 2014 letter to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requesting formal delegation of authority for the implementation, administration, and enforcement of the requirements of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) regulations within 25 miles of Maryland's seaward boundary. In response, EPA intends to grant the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) formal delegation of authority to implement and enforce OCS Regulations, pursuant to section 328(a)(3) of the Clean Air Act. As established in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Part 55 (40 CFR part 55), EPA will delegate implementation and enforcement authority to a state if the state has an adjacent OCS source, and EPA determines that the state's regulations are adequate. EPA has determined that delegation to a state shall be immediately effective upon EPA's receipt of a notice of intent (NOI) to construct an OCS source to be adjacent to that state.

The delegation will include the authority for the following sections of 40 CFR part 55, as exists on July 1, 2013:

- 55.1 Statutory authority and scope.
- 55.2 Definitions.
- 55.3 Applicability.
- 55.4 Requirements to submit a notice of intent.
- 55.6 Permit requirements.
- 55.7 Exemptions.
- 55.8 Monitoring, reporting, inspections, and compliance.
- 55.9 Enforcement.
- 55.10 Fees.
- 55.13 Federal requirements that apply to OCS sources.
- 55.14 Requirements that apply to OCS sources located within 25 miles of States' seaward boundaries, by State.
- 55.15 Specific designation of corresponding onshore areas.
- Appendix A to Part 55—Listing of State and Local Requirements Incorporated by Reference Into Part 55, by State.

EPA is not delegating the authority to implement and enforce 40 CFR part 55.5 (Corresponding onshore area designation), 55.11 (Delegation), and 55.12 (Consistency updates), as authority for these sections is reserved for the Administrator. As stated in 40 CFR Part 55.11 (b), EPA shall delegate implementation and enforcement authority if it is determined that the State's regulations are adequate, including a demonstration by the state that the state has:

- (1) Adopted the appropriate portions of 40 CFR part 55 into state law;
- (2) Submitted a letter from the State Attorney General confirming that Maryland has adequate authority under the state law to implement and enforce the relevant portions of 40 CFR part 55;
- (3) Adequate resources to implement and enforce the requirements of 40 CFR part 55; and
- (4) Adequate administrative procedures to implement and enforce the requirements of this part, including public notice and comment procedures.

EPA has reviewed MDE's delegation request and concludes that it meets the requirements for delegation. Therefore, delegation will be effective on the date EPA receives a NOI of constructing an OCS source adjacent to Maryland. On this date, MDE will automatically be authorized to implement, administer, and enforce the sections of 40 CFR part 55 listed above for the OCS sources in which Maryland will be the corresponding onshore area.

I appreciate MDE's efforts to implement the OCS regulations and look forward to working with you to foster the growth of alternative energy projects in Maryland. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or have your staff contact Ms. Linda Miller, Maryland Liaison, at 215-814-2068.

Sincerely,  
Shawn M. Garvin  
Regional Administrator"

This notice acknowledges that MDE has been delegated the authority to implement and enforce OSC Air Regulations.

Dated: July 10, 2015.

**William C. Early,**

*Acting, Regional Administrator, Region III.*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, July 16, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street NW., Washington, DC (Ninth Floor).

**STATUS:** This meeting will be open to the public.

### Federal Register Notice of Previous Announcement—80 FR 40065

**THIS ITEM WAS ALSO DISCUSSED:** Motion to Set Priorities and Scheduling on Pending Enforcement Matters Awaiting Reason-to-Believe Consideration.

Individuals who plan to attend and require special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Shawn Woodhead Werth, Secretary and Clerk, at (202) 694-1040, at least 72 hours prior to the meeting date.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Judith Ingram, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

**Shawn Woodhead Werth,**  
*Secretary and Clerk of the Commission.*

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## FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

### Labor-Management Relations Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB Review: Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS), hereby announces the submission of the following public information collection requests (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13). The information collection requests are FMCS forms: Arbitrator's Report and Fee Statement (Agency Form R-19; OMB control number 3076-0003), Arbitrator's Personal Data Questionnaire (Agency

Form R-22; OMB control number 3076-0001), and Request for Arbitration Panel (Agency Form R-43; OMB control number 3076-0002). No comments were received pursuant to FMCS's prior 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** on April 28, 2015.

These information collection requests were previously approved by OMB and we are requesting their reinstatement without change to the collections. These information collections will be used to collect information to determine applicant suitability for the arbitration roster, to monitor the work of arbitrators, and to collect information that facilitates the processing of arbitration requests.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

(1) 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;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimates of the burden of the proposed collection information;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(4) Minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic collection technologies or other forms of information technology.

**Burden:** FMCS receives approximately 100 responses per year to the Arbitrator's Personal Data Questionnaire (OMB No. 3076-001); 1,984 responses per year to the Arbitrator's Report and Fee Statement (OMB No. 3076-0003); and 13,179 responses per year to the Request for Arbitration Panel form (OMB No. 3076-0002).

**Affected Entities:** Individuals who apply for admission to the FMCS Roster of Arbitrators; arbitrators who render decision under FMCS arbitration policies and procedures; and employers, labor unions and their representative who request arbitration services.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before August 20, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to: Email: [oir\\_submissions@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submissions@omb.eop.gov). Please include the FMCS form numbers, the information collection title and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message. Comments may also be sent to fax number 202.395.5806 to the attention of Desk Officer for FMCS.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** For additional information, see the related