

data elements that will be the foundation for future regulated and unregulated contaminant occurrence data reporting. The data submitted using these data elements will provide the basis for the Administrator to determine whether or not to regulate contaminants in the future. For chemical contaminants, a series of meetings have been held with a diverse group of EPA, state, public water system, public health, consumer, and environmental groups, which identified a number of data elements that should be considered for reporting. The majority of the data elements are already in the structure of the EPA Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS). A preliminary categorization of the remaining data elements indicates that some could be dropped because of potential duplication with other data elements, others could be derived from other data elements in the SDWIS structure, and the rest are new data elements. The new data elements are principally focused on: quality assurance, representativeness of the sample, laboratory information, sample location, and well information.

Additionally, the meeting will address such issues as:

1. What specific data element standards should be used?
2. How will electronic reporting by States, public water systems and/or laboratories best be accomplished?
3. What electronic platform(s) should be used to support the NCOD, recognizing public access as a major consideration in data base design?
4. What options for data retrieval should be considered?
5. In what ways will EPA use the data?
6. How should the data be analyzed?
7. What information should be available to the public?

The public is invited to provide comments on the issues listed above or other issues related to the National Drinking Water Contaminant Occurrence Data Base during the February 12-13, 1998 meeting.

Dated: January 21, 1998.

Cynthia Dougherty,

Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.

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Meeting of the Small Community Advisory Subcommittee of the Local Government Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This meeting is the first for the Small Community Advisory Subcommittee of the Local Government Advisory Committee. Orientation, organization and agenda setting will be the focus of this gathering. The group takes up the work of an earlier advisory group known as the Small Towns Task Force. At this meeting, the subcommittee will hear presentations about the history and recommendations of the Small Towns Task Force. Part of the meeting will also be devoted to presentations about Federal Advisory committee operations, rules and regulations. The group will also develop a strategy to guide subsequent meetings. Responsibility for the Small Community Advisory Subcommittee of the Local Government Advisory Committee rests with the Office of Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations (OCIR) under the leadership of Joseph Crapa, Associate Administrator for Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations and Michael O'Connor, Deputy Associate Administrator for State and Local Relations. OCIR serves as the Agency's principal liaison with State and local government officials and the organizations which represent them.

From 3:00-3:30 p.m. on February 18, the Committee will hear comments from the public. Each individual or organization wishing to address the Committee will be allowed three minutes. Please contact the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) at the number listed below to schedule agenda time. Time will be allotted on a first come, first serve basis.

This is an open meeting and all interested persons are invited to attend. Meeting minutes will be available after the meeting and can be obtained by written request from the DFO. Members of the public are requested to call the DFO at the number listed below if planning to attend so that arrangements can be made to comfortably accommodate attendees as much as possible. However, seating will be on a first come, first serve basis.

DATES: The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 17 and conclude at 4:00 p.m. on February 18.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Kansas City Marriott Downtown located at 200 West 12th Street in Kansas City, Missouri.

Requests for Minutes and other information can be obtained by writing to 401 M Street, S.W. (1502), Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The DFO for this subcommittee is Steven Wilson. He is the point of contact for information concerning any Committee matters and can be reached by calling (202) 260-2294.

Steven Wilson,

Designated Federal Officer, Small Community Advisory Subcommittee of the Local Government Advisory Committee.

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Liquid Chemical Sterilant Products; Notice of Availability of PR Notice

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing the availability of Pesticide Regulation (PR) Notice 98-2, entitled "Liquid Chemical Sterilant Products." The PR Notice advises applicants and registrants of new FIFRA provisions related to liquid chemical sterilants intended for use on critical or semi-critical medical devices. Interested parties may request a copy of this PR Notice and obtain further information as set forth in the Addresses unit of this notice.

ADDRESSES: The PR Notice is available from, by mail: Barbara Mandula, Antimicrobials Division (7510W), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. The public record is filed in OPP's Docket Office under docket control number "OPP-00521", located in Room 119 of the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Barbara Mandula (7510W), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Sixth Floor, Crystal Station #1, 2800 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA, (703) 308-