

alleged failure to meet a mandatory deadline under section 202(i)(2)(B) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 7521(i)(2)(B), which concerns a study and report to Congress regarding whether EPA should require further reductions in emissions from light-duty vehicles and light-duty trucks. The proposed partial consent decree provides, in part, that "[n]o later than July 15, 1998, the Administrator shall sign a letter transmitting a report to Congress containing the results of the study described by CAA section 202(i)(1) and (2), 42 U.S.C. 7521(i)(1) and (2). Within five business days thereafter, EPA shall deliver to Congress such letter and report."

For a period of thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the proposed consent decree from persons who were not named as parties or intervenors to the litigation in question. EPA or the Department of Justice may withdraw or withhold consent to the proposed partial consent decree if the comments disclose facts or considerations that indicate that such consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the Act. Unless EPA or the Department of Justice determine, following the comment period, that consent is inappropriate, the final partial consent decree will establish a deadline for specific actions under section 202(i)(2)(B) of the Act.

A copy of the proposed partial consent decree was lodged with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia for February 27, 1998. Copies are also available from Phyllis J. Cochran, Air and Radiation Division (2344), Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 260-7606. Written comments should be sent to Michael J. Horowitz at the address above and must be submitted on or before April 13, 1998.

Dated: March 6, 1998.

**Scott C. Fulton,**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### Proposed Settlement Agreement, Clean Air Act Citizen Suit; Consent Decree Setting Deadlines for Issuance of Regulations or Control Techniques Guidelines Under CAA Section 183(e)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed settlement; request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (the "Act"), 42 U.S.C. 7413(g), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") hereby gives notice of a proposed consent decree, which EPA lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Columbia on February 20, 1998, to address a lawsuit filed by the Sierra Club. The Sierra Club filed this lawsuit pursuant to section 304(a) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 7604(a), to address EPA's alleged failure to meet a mandatory deadline under section 183(e) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 7511b(e), which concerns issuance of rules or control techniques guidelines to reduce emissions of volatile organic compounds from consumer or commercial products. The proposed consent decree provides, in part, the EPA shall issue either rules or control techniques guidelines for certain categories of consumer or commercial products as follows: (1) August 15, 1998, for consumer products; (2) August 15, 1998, for autobody refinishing coatings; (3) August 15, 1998, for architectural coatings; (4) December 1, 1998, for wood refinishing coatings; (5) December 1, 1998, for aerospace coatings; and (6) December 1, 1998, for shipbuilding and ship repair coatings.

For a period of thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, EPA will accept written comments relating to the proposed consent decree from persons who were not named as parties or intervenors to the litigation in question. EPA or the Department of Justice may withdraw or withhold consent to the proposed consent decree if the comments disclose facts or considerations that indicate that such consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the Act. Unless EPA or the Department of Justice determines, following the comment period, that consent is inappropriate, the final consent decree will establish deadlines for specific actions under section 183(e) of the Act.

EPA lodged a copy of the proposed consent decree with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia on February 20, 1998. Copies are also available from Phyllis J. Cochran, Air and Radiation Law Office (2344), Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 260-7606. Written comments should be sent to Geoffrey L. Wilcox at the address above and must be submitted on or before April 13, 1998.

Dated: March 6, 1998.

**Scott C. Fulton,**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

*Responsible Agency:* Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 OR (202) 564-7153.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements  
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Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.  
EIS No. 980063, DRAFT EIS, FHW, WA, A-104/Edmonds Crossing Project, Connecting Ferries, Bus and Rail, Funding, NPDESs Permit, COE Section 10 and 404 Permit, City of Edmonds, Snohomish County, WA, Due: April 27, 1998, Contact: Gene Fong (360) 753-2120.

EIS No. 980064, FINAL EIS, AFS, UT, Spruce Ecosystem Recovery Project, Implementation, Dixie National Forest, Cedar City Ranger District, Iron County, UT, Due: April 13, 1998, Contact: Ronald S. Wilson (435) 865-3200.

EIS No. 980065, DRAFT EIS, FHW, MO, MO-50/West-Central Corridor Location Study, Transportation Improvements, Sedallia to St. Martins, Pettis, Cooper, Morgan and Moniteau and Cole Counties, MO, Due: April 27, 1998, Contact: Don Newman (573) 636-7104.

EIS No. 980066, DRAFT EIS, COE, WV, Bluestone Lake Dam Safety Assurance Project, Modifications to withstand the Probable Maximum Flood, (PMF) Huntington District, Summer County, WV, Due: April 27, 1998, Contact: A. Benjamin Borda (304) 529-5712.

EIS No. 980067, DRAFT EIS, AFS, VT, Sugarbush Ski Resort Project,