

Virginia. The telephone number is (703) 548-6300.

Both days, April 14 and 15, will be devoted partly to breakout sessions for the three subcommittee workgroups (Reporting and Information Access; Overcoming Barriers to Pollution Prevention, Product Stewardship, and Recycling; and Integrated and Sustainable Alternative Strategies for Electronics) and partly to plenary sessions. Over the course of the two days, the Subcommittee will be discussing progress on a number of projects for environmental protection in the computers and electronics industry.

Projects that will be discussed include: BOLDER (Basic On-Line Disaster and Emergency Response), a project to integrate the BOLDER emergency response electronic reporting and information access system with the EPA "One Plan," and to implement a full-scale test of the system in Phoenix, AZ.; Beta-BOLDER, a project to test the transferability of the BOLDER system to less technologically advanced communities by pilot testing the system in at least one small city; Better BOLDER, a project to make the BOLDER facility emergency response plan information accessible to the public in a useful context, using both the Internet and other means; CURE (Consolidated Uniform Report for the Environment), a project to develop and test in Texas a system for submitting environmental information required by multiple statutes on a single form, and to make that form electronic; Voluntary Program for Life Cycle Management of Electronic Products/State Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue, a project to develop a challenge program with incentives to marshal industry's interest and capacity to preserve resources and promote recycling, building on current state programs; SPECIE (Superior Performance for the Environment through Community Involvement and Engagement), a project to develop a printed resource guide to strengthen community collaboration in projects requiring input from multiple stakeholders by providing tools to assist stakeholders to develop cooperative and constructive approaches to addressing environmental issues in their communities; Evaluation of Models and Development of Best Practices for Electronic Equipment Recovery/San Francisco Recycling Pilot, a project to compile and examine data from pilot collection projects, including one in San Francisco, identify data gaps, and

provide an umbrella report to communities and the recycling industry; Green Track, a project to develop a program that offers regulatory flexibility or other incentives to encourage facilities to improve environmental performance beyond current regulatory requirements; Definition of "Legitimate Recycling;" a project to seek consensus-based decisions on the recycling of computer parts, and define certain electronics-related activities that the sector would recommend EPA exempt from existing solid waste regulation.

Opportunity for public comment on major issues under discussion will be provided at intervals throughout the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John J. Bowser, Acting DFO, U.S. EPA on (202) 260-1771, by fax on (202) 260-1096, by e-mail at bowser.john@epamail.epa.gov., or by mail at U.S. EPA (MC 7405), 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20460; Mark Mahoney, U.S. EPA Region 1 on (617) 565-1155; or David Jones, U.S. EPA Region 9 on (415) 744-2266.

#### **Inspection of Subcommittee Documents**

Documents relating to the above Sector Subcommittee announcement will be publicly available at the meeting. Thereafter, these documents, together with the official minutes for the meeting, will be available for public inspection in room 2821M of EPA Headquarters, Common Sense Initiative Staff, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, telephone number 202-260-7417. Common Sense Initiative information can be accessed electronically on our web site at <http://www.epa.gov/commonsense>.

Dated: March 20, 1998.

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

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#### **Effluent Guidelines Task Force Open Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Effluent Guidelines Task Force, an EPA advisory committee, will

hold a meeting to discuss the Agency's Effluent Guidelines Program. The meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 20, 1998 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Thursday, May 21, 1998 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place at the Best Western Key Bridge, 1850 N. Fort Myer Drive, Arlington, Virginia.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Beverly Randolph, Office of Water (4303), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone (202) 260-5373; fax (202) 260-7185.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the Environmental Protection Agency gives notice of a meeting of the Effluent Guidelines Task Force (EGTF). The EGTF is a committee of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT), the external policy advisory board to the Administrator of EPA.

The EGTF was established in July of 1992 to advise EPA on the Effluent Guidelines Program, which develops regulations for dischargers of industrial wastewater pursuant to Title III of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*). The Task Force consists of members appointed by EPA from industry, citizen groups, state and local government, the academic and scientific communities, and EPA regional offices. The Task Force was created to offer advice to the Administrator on the long-term strategy for the effluent guidelines program, and particularly to provide recommendations on a process for expediting the promulgation of effluent guidelines. The Task Force generally does not discuss specific effluent guideline regulations currently under development.

The meeting is open to the public, and limited seating for the public is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The public may submit written comments to the Task Force regarding improvements to the Effluent Guidelines program. Comments should be sent to Beverly Randolph at the above address. Comments submitted by May 13, 1998 will be considered by the Task Force at or subsequent to the meeting.

Dated: March 19, 1998.

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