information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public version of the official record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public version of the official record without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

IV. What Action is EPA Taking in this Notice?

EPA is making available for public viewing the revised risk assessments and related documents for one organophosphate, diazinon. These documents have been developed as part of the pilot public participation process that EPA and USDA are now using for involving the public in the reassessment of pesticide tolerances under the Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA), and the reregistration of individual organophosphate pesticides under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). The pilot public participation process was developed as part of the EPA–USDA Tolerance Reassessment Advisory Committee (TRAC), which was established in April 1998, as a subcommittee under the auspices of EPA's National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology. A goal of the pilot public participation process is to find a more effective way for the public to participate at critical junctures in the Agency's development of organophosphate risk assessments and risk management decisions. EPA and USDA began implementing this pilot process in August 1998, to increase transparency and opportunities for stakeholder consultation. The documents being released to the public through this notice provide information on the revisions that were made to the diazinon preliminary risk assessments, which were released to the public through a notice published in the **Federal Register** on May 19, 2000 (65 FR 31902), (FRL–6588–7).

In addition, this notice starts a 60-day public participation period during which the public is encouraged to submit risk management proposals or otherwise comment on risk management for diazinon. The Agency is providing an opportunity, through this notice, for interested parties to provide written risk management proposals or ideas to the Agency on the chemical specified in this notice. Such comments and proposals could address ideas about how to manage dietary, occupational, or ecological risks on specific diazinon use sites or crops across the United States or in a particular geographic region of the country. To address dietary risk, for example, commenters may choose to discuss the feasibility of lower application rates, increasing the time interval between application and harvest (''pre–harvest intervals''), modifications in use, or suggest alternative measures to reduce residues contributing to dietary exposure. For occupational risks, commenters may suggest personal protective equipment or technologies to reduce exposure to workers and pesticide handlers. For ecological risks, commenters may suggest ways to reduce environmental exposure, e.g., exposure to birds, fish, mammals, and other non–target organisms. EPA will provide other opportunities for public participation and comment on issues associated with the organophosphate tolerance reassessment program. Failure to participate or comment as part of this opportunity will in no way prejudice or limit a commenter's opportunity to participate fully in later notice and comment processes. All comments and proposals must be received by EPA on or before April 2, 2001, at the addresses given under the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments and proposals will become part of the Agency record for the organophosphate specified in this notice.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: January 12, 2001.

Lois A. Rossi,

Director, Special Review and Reregistration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6939–8]

Options for Development of Parametric Probability Distributions for Exposure Factors

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of a final report.

SUMMARY: The notice announces the availability of a final report, Options for Development of Parametric Probability Distributions for Exposure Factors (EPA/600/R–00/058, July 2000). This report was prepared by the National Center for Environmental Assessment, within the Office of Research and Development (EPA) at the request of the Office of Emergency and Remedial Response within the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, to assist them when applying probabilistic techniques in exposure assessments. The purpose of the document is to provide procedures to fit distributions to selected data from the Exposure Factors Handbook (EPA/600/P–95/002Fa–c). The procedure includes the selection of models, estimation, assessment of fit, and uncertainty. Three exposure factors were used as test cases. These included tap water intake, inhalation rates, and population mobility. The procedures used in these three exposure factors are fairly general and applicable to other factors.

ADDRESSES: The document will be made available electronically through the National Center for Environmental Assessment's web site (www.epa.gov/ncea). A limited number of paper copies will be available from the EPA's National Service Center for Environmental Publications (NSCEP), P.O. Box 42419, Cincinnati, OH 45242; telephone: 1–800–490–9198 or 513–489–8190; facsimile: 513–489–8695. Please provide your name and mailing address and the title and EPA number of the requested publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jacqueline Moya, National Center for Environmental Assessment-Washington Office (8623D), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington DC 20460; telephone: 202–564–3245; facsimile: 202–565–0076; email:moya.jackie@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Since the publication of the Exposure Factors Handbook (EPA/600/P–95/002Fa–c) in 1997, users of the Handbook have commented on the need to fit distributions to the data in the Handbook to assist them when applying methods to express assessments. This report is issued as a companion document to the Exposure Factors Handbook.

The methodology presented in the document was tested with three exposure factors: tap water, inhalation rates, and population mobility. However, the document provides a discussion on the applicability of this methodology to other exposure factors in the Exposure Factors Handbook.

The report discusses the pertinent statistical concepts and theory used and how they apply to the methodology developed for the fitting of distributions. The methodology models, estimation, assessment of fit, and uncertainty.

Dated: December 22, 2000.

Bruce Rodan,

Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE & TIME: Tuesday, February 6, 2001 at 10 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g, § 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C.

Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration.

Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

DATE & TIME: Thursday, February 8, 2001 at 10 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC. (ninth floor).

STATUS: This meeting will be open to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Correction and Approval of Minutes.

Draft 2001 Legislative Recommendations.

Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on the Definition of ''Political Committee.''

Administrative Matters.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Mr. Ron Harris, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694–1220.

Mary W. Dove,

Acting Secretary of the Commission.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

[No. 2001–N–4]

Annual Adjustment of the Limit in Average Total Assets for Community Financial Institutions and Annual Adjustment of the Limits on Annual Compensation for Federal Home Loan Bank Directors

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Board.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) has adjusted the limit in average total assets that defines a ''Community Financial Institution'' (CFI) based on the annual percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI–U), as published by the Department of Labor (DOL), pursuant to the requirements of section 2(13)(B) of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act) and § 900.1 of the Finance Board's regulations. Notice is hereby given that the Finance Board also has adjusted the limits on annual compensation for the Federal Home Loan Bank (Bank) directors, based on the CPI–U, as published by the DOL, pursuant to the requirements of section 7(i)(2)(B) of the Bank Act and § 918.3(a)(1) of the Finance Board's regulations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James L. Bothwell, Managing Director and Chief Economist, (202) 408–2821; Scott L. Smith, Acting Director, Office of Policy, Research and Analysis, (202) 408–2991; Julie Paller, Office of Policy, Research and Analysis, (202) 408–2842; or Kirsten L. Landeryou, Office of Policy, Research and Analysis, (202) 408–2552. Staff also can be reached by regular mail at the Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006. A telecommunications device for deaf persons (TDD) is available at (202) 408–2579.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 1422(13)(B)), as amended by the Gramm Leach Bliley Act (GLB Act) (Pub. L. 106–102, 133 Stat. 1338 (November 12, 1999)) and § 900.1 of the Finance Board's regulations (12 CFR 900.1) require the Finance Board to adjust annually the limit in average total assets (CFI Asset Cap) set forth in section 2(13)(A)(ii) of the Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 1422(13)(A)(ii)) and § 900.1 of the Finance Board's regulations that defines a CFI, based on the annual percentage increase, if any, in the CPI–U, as published by the Department of Labor (DOL).

Section 7(i)(2)(B) of the Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 1427(i)(2)(B)), as amended by the GLB Act, and § 918.3(a)(1) of the Finance Board's regulations (12 CFR 913.3(a)(1)), require the Finance Board, beginning January 1, 2001, to make a similar annual adjustment to the compensation limits set forth in section 7(i)(2)(A) of the Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 1427(i)(2)(A)) and § 918.3(a)(1) of the Finance Board's regulations, for members of the boards of directors of the Banks based on the annual percentage increase, if any, in the CPI–U, as published by the DOL.

Pursuant to the Finance Board's regulations, for purposes of the CFI Asset Cap, the Finance Board is required to publish notice by **Federal Register** of the CPI–U-adjusted cap. For purposes of the Banks' board of directors annual compensation adjustments, the Finance Board is required to publish notice, by **Federal Register**, distribution of a memorandum, or otherwise, of the CPI–U-adjusted limits on annual compensation. The annual adjustment of the existing CFI Asset Cap and annual Bank director compensation limits, effective January 1 of a particular calendar year, reflects the percentage by which the CPI–U published for November of the preceding calendar year exceeds the CPI–U published for November of the year before the preceding calendar year (if at all). For example, the adjustment of the limits effective January 1, 2001 are based on the percentage increase in the CPI–U from November 1999 to November 2000.

The Finance Board has determined that it is appropriate to use data from November rather than waiting for the December data to become available so that the Banks can be notified of the revised asset limit and compensation limits as close to the effective date as possible. Other Federal agencies do not rely on December data, which is published in mid-January, when calculating annual inflation adjustments and as a result are able to announce the adjustments prior to the effective date of January 1.

The DOL encourages the use of CPI–U data that has not been seasonally adjusted in ''escalation agreements'' because seasonal factors are updated annually and seasonally adjusted data are subject to revision for up to five years following the original release; unadjusted data are not routinely subject to revision, and previously published unadjusted data are only corrected when significant calculation errors are discovered. Accordingly, the Finance Board is using data that had not been seasonally adjusted to calculate the new CFI Asset Cap and annul Bank director compensation limits.

Based on the unadjusted November 2000 CPI–U data, in Finance Board Resolution No. 2000–51 (Dec. 29, 2000), the Finance Board adjusted the CFI Asset Cap for 2001 from $500 million to $517 million, beginning January 1, 2001.

In the same Finance Board Resolution, and based on the unadjusted November 2000 CPI–U data, the Finance Board adjusted the annual compensation for the listed members of