contact, or inhalation, AgriVir, LLC concludes that there is a reasonable certainty that no harm to infants and children will result from dietary exposure to residues which could occur as a result of approval of this petition.

3. *Sensitive individuals.* Since the available information reliably supports that IMMGV will not produce adverse effects in humans of any age as a result of exposure by ingestion, dermal contact, or inhalation, and indeed that IMMGV appears to be biologically inactive in other than its natural host, AgriVir, LLC concludes that there is a reasonable certainty that no harm to sensitive persons will result from dietary exposure to residues which could occur as a result of approval of this petition.

G. International Tolerances

There are no Codex maximum residue levels established for residues of IMMGV. IMMGV containing products are presently not registered for pest control outside of the U.S.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–7537–7]

Framework for Application of the Toxicity Equivalence Methodology for Polychlorinated Dioxins, Furans, and Biphenyls in Ecological Risk Assessment (External Review Draft); Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of availability and opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing a 60-day public comment period for the draft document titled Framework for Application of the Toxicity Equivalence Methodology for Polychlorinated Dioxins, Furans, and Biphenyls in Ecological Risk Assessment. The document is intended to describe a methodology for assessing ecological risks associated with complex mixtures of dioxins, furans, and dioxin-like PCBs in the environment. EPA will consider the public comments in revising the document.

DATES: Comments must be received by September 29, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The draft is available via the Internet at *http://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/raf/recordisplay.cfm?deid=55669.* Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or in person, as described in the instructions under Supplementary Information. Comments may be viewed at EPA Dockets at *http://www.epa.gov/edocket* (under Docket ID No. ORD–2003–0002).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marilyn Brower, U.S. EPA, ORD National Center for Environmental Assessment, Risk Assessment Forum Staff (8601D), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone: 202–564–3363; fax: 202–565–0062; e-mail: *brower.marilyn@epa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Submission of Comments

You may submit comments electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, identify the appropriate docket identification number (ORD–2003–0002) in the subject line on the first page of your comment. Please note that all comments received in response to this notice will be placed in a public record. For that reason, comments should not contain personal information (such as medical data or home address), Confidential Business Information, or information protected by copyright.

A. Electronically to EPA Dockets

Your use of EPA's electronic public docket (EPA Dockets) to submit comments is EPA's preferred method for receiving comments. Go directly to EPA Dockets at *http://www.epa.gov/edocket* and follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once in the system, select ''search,'' and then key in Docket ID No. ORD–2003–0002. The system is an ''anonymous access'' system, which means EPA will not know your identity, e-mail address, or other contact information unless you provide it. EPA recommends that you include your name and contact information in the body of your comment to ensure that you can be identified as the submitter of the comment and to allow EPA to contact you in case EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties or needs further information on the substance of your comment.

B. By Mail

Comments may be sent to: Office of Environmental Information Docket, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 28220T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460, Attention Docket ID No. ORD–2003–0002.

C. By Hand Delivery or Courier

Deliver your comments to: Office of Environmental Information Docket, EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC, Attention Docket ID No. ORD–2003–0002. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the docket is 202–566–1752.

II. Background

Polychlorinated dioxins (PCDDs), furans (PCDFs), and biphenyls (PCBs) commonly occur as complex mixtures in the environment. For more than a decade, EPA and other organizations have estimated the combined risks that such mixtures pose to human health using a method known as the toxicity equivalence methodology. The methodology is based on findings that certain PCDDs, PCDFs, and PCBs share a common mechanism of action for their effects but differ in potency. The methodology uses potency factors (such as Toxicity Equivalence Factors, or TEFs) assigned to each chemical in the mixture as a way of integrating the risks from the entire mixture. Application in ecological risk assessments has proceeded more slowly than in human health risk assessment, in part because of the variety of species from different taxonomic classes (*e.g.*, fish, birds, and mammals) to be considered.

As both data and experience with the methodology have accumulated, however, experts have concluded that the toxicity equivalence methodology can strengthen assessments of ecological risks. At a World Health Organization consultation in 1997, international consensus TEFs for PCDDs, PCDFs, and PCBs were reviewed and the toxicity equivalence methodology expanded to include class-specific TEFs for mammals, birds and fish. In 1998, EPA and the U.S. Department of Interior sponsored a workshop that recommended the development of further guidance on application of the toxicity equivalence methodology. This draft framework has been developed in direct response to that workshop recommendation by a technical panel under EPA's Risk Assessment Forum.

Organized in accordance with EPA's *Guidelines for Ecological Risk Assessment* (63 FR 26846), this framework is intended to assist EPA scientists in using the methodology, as well as to inform EPA decision makers, other agencies, and the public about this methodology. It provides ecological risk assessors with an understanding of the uncertainties associated with the application of the methodology in general and with situation-specific decisions made in applying the

methodology within their risk assessments. The draft framework also discusses several potential advantages of the toxicity equivalence methodology compared with alternative methods for estimating risks from mixtures of dioxin-like chemicals.

The document is undergoing peer review concurrent with the public comment period described in this notice. This framework is not a regulation nor is it intended to substitute for federal regulations. It does not establish any substantive ''rules'' under the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law and will have no binding effect on EPA or any regulated entity.

Dated: July 23, 2003.

Peter W. Preuss,

Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRC–7537–9]

Lexington County Landfill Superfund Site; Notice of Proposed Settlement

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of proposed settlement.

SUMMARY: The United States Environmental Protection Agency is proposing to enter into an Administrative Agreement for recovery of Future Response Costs pursuant to section 122(h) (1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of the 1980 (CERCLA), as amended regarding the Lexington County Landfill Superfund Site located in Cayce, Lexington County, South Carolina. This Agreement is made and entered into by EPA and by Lexington County, South Carolina (''Setting Parties''). EPA will consider Public comments on the proposed settlement until August 29, 2003.

EPA may withdraw from or modify the proposed settlement should such comments disclose fact or considerations which indicate the proposed settlement is appropriate, improper, or inadequate. Copies of the proposed settlement are available from: Ms. Paula V. Batchelor, U.S. EPA, Region 4, Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center, Waste Management Division, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, (404) 562–8887.

Written comments may be submitted to Ms. Batchelor within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this publication.

Dated: July 14, 2003.

Archie Lee,

Chief, CERCLA Program Services Branch, Waste Management Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–7537–3]

Proposed Agreement Pursuant to Section 122(h)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) for the Sybill Used Oil Processing Plant Site in Detroit, MI

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

ACTION: Notice and request for public comment on proposed CERCLA 122(h)(1) agreement with General Motors Corporation (GM), Ford Motor Company, Detroit Diesel Corporation, Rouge Steel Company, Sybill, Inc. and the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Trustee for V.C. Madias addressing contamination at the Sybill used oil processing plant in Detroit, Michigan.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 122(i)(1) of CERCLA, notification is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement agreement concerning the Sybill used oil processing plant at 111 Military Street in Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan (the ''Site''). EPA proposes to enter into this agreement under the authority of sections 122(h) and 107 of CERCLA. The proposed agreement has been executed by GM, Ford Motor Company, Detroit Diesel Corporation, Rouge Steel Company, Sybill, Inc. and the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Trustee for V.C. Madias (the ''Settling Parties''). Under the proposed agreement, the Settling Parties will implement a removal action to address waste oil contamination at the used oil processing facility formerly owned and operated by Sybill, Inc. and located in Detroit, Michigan. Also, the Settling Parties will pay to the Hazardous Substances Superfund all of the Agency's future oversight costs to be incurred in overseeing the work under the agreement. In addition, under this agreement, EPA waives all of its past response costs incurred at the Sybill Site ($56,000). EPA incurred these past response costs mitigating an imminent and substantial endangerment to human health or the environment present or threatened by hazardous substances present at the Site. For thirty days following the date of publication of this notice, the EPA will receive written comments relating to this proposed agreement. EPA will consider all comments received and may decide not to enter this proposed agreement if comments disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the proposed agreement is inappropriate, improper or inadequate.

DATES: Comments on the proposed agreement must be received by EPA on or before August 29, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604–3590, and should refer to: In the Matter of Sybill, Inc., EPA Docket No. V-W–03-C–746.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas J. Martin, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Regional Counsel, C–14J, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604–3590, (312) 886–4273. A copy of the proposed administrative settlement agreement may be obtained in person or by mail from the EPA's Region 5 Office of Regional Counsel, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604–3590. Additional background information relating to the settlement is available for review at the EPA's Region 5 Office of Regional Counsel.

Authority: The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 9601–9675.

William E. Muno,

Director, Superfund Division, Region 5.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[Report No. AUC–03–51–B (Auction No. 51); DA 03–1994]

Auction of Regional Narrowband PCS Licenses Scheduled for September 24, 2003; Notice and Filing Requirements, Minimum Opening Bids, Upfront Payments, Package Bidding and Other Auction Procedures

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document announces the procedures and minimum opening bids for the upcoming auction of six regional narrowband Personal Communications Services (''narrowband PCS'') licenses