

of the tasks associated with each goal. (15 points)

iv. *Project management.* The proposal identifies and describes qualifications of key personnel. Proposals identify other environmental assistance providers committed to the tasks. Proposals leverage expertise of other P2Rx centers and other assistance providers to reduce duplication of effort in developing information products. (15 points)

v. *Identified measures for project.* The proposal contains clear measures of success. Proposals identify criteria used to track the effectiveness of each proposed task and include the specific format for reporting measures. (20 points)

vi. *Budget.* The proposal includes a budget indicating the funding requested and the matching resources. Requested Federal dollars must be matched by at least an equal value of funds and/or in-kind goods and services. The description demonstrates effective and judicious use of Federal funds. (15 points)

vii. *Partnerships.* The proposal utilizes State, local and regional representatives to guide, evaluate, and provide feedback on the products and services the regional center proposes. (10 points)

3. *Anticipated award date.*

Cooperative agreements will be awarded by September 30, 2003. EPA reserves the right to reject all proposals and make no awards. Any dispute will follow the process in accordance with 40 CFR 30.63 and part 31, subpart F.

VII. Post Award Reporting

1. *Reports.* Organizations that are awarded grant funds will be required to submit semi-annual progress reports, during the life of the project, to the EPA Project Officer and EPA Headquarters coordinator. Each report will summarize funds expended, tasks accomplished, and results achieved to date. A specific format for reporting P2 information center activities (<http://www.p2rx.org/AdminInfo/activityMe.cfm>) and web site usage (<http://www.p2rx.org/AdminInfo/WebMeasure.cfm>) has been developed. A summary final grant report will also be due 90 days after the end of the project period. This final report should include a discussion of the prospects for continuation, project evaluation, and future direction.

2. *Audits.* Periodic audits should be made as part of the recipient's system of financial management and internal control to meet terms and conditions of grants and other agreements. In accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Nonprofit

Organizations," nonfederal entities that receive financial assistance of \$300,000 or more within the State's fiscal year shall have an audit made for that year. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Nonprofit Organizations," was published in the **Federal Register** of June 30, 1997 (62 FR 35302). The Circular implements the Single Audit Act amendments of 1996. State agencies that receive less than \$300,000 within the State's fiscal year shall have an audit made in accordance with Federal laws and regulations governing the programs in which they participate.

3. *Records.* Financial records, including all documents to support entries on accounting records to substantiate charges to each grant, must be kept available to personnel authorized to examine EPA grant accounts. All records must be maintained for 3 years from the date of submission of the annual financial status report. If questions still remain, such as those raised as a result of an audit, related records should be retained until the matter is completely resolved.

VIII. Congressional Review Act

Grant solicitations such as this are considered rules for the purpose of the Congressional Review Act (CRA). The CRA, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (SBREFA), generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. This is not a "major rule" as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Grant administration, Grants, pollution prevention.

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Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee; Meeting; Executive Committee Teleconference

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Science Advisory Board (SAB) Executive Committee (EC), a Federal Advisory Committee, will hold a public teleconference meeting on the date and time given below to review the SAB draft report on its review of the Fiscal Year 2004 Science and Technology Budget.

DATES: The conference call meeting will take place on Thursday, April 10, 2003, from 12 noon to 1 p.m.(e.s.t.). Requests for oral comments, as well as submission of written comments must be received by April 4, 2003. Please see further details below.

ADDRESSES: The conference call will take place via telephone only.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing further information concerning this meeting or wishing to submit comments must contact Mr. A. Robert Flaak, Designated Federal Officer, EPA Science Advisory Board (1400A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone (202) 564-4546; Fax (202) 501-0582; or via e-mail at flaak.robert@epa.gov.

To pre-register for the teleconference and obtain the phone number and access code, please contact Ms. Betty Fortune, EPA Science Advisory Board, Mail Code 1400A, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone (202) 564-4533, Fax (202) 501-0323; or via e-mail at fortune.betty@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. *Summary:* Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the EC of the U.S. EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) will hold a public teleconference meeting to review a report of one of its subcommittees. The interested public may attend through a telephonic link, to the extent that lines are available. Pre-registration is necessary. Additional instructions about how to participate in the conference are given below.