

ecological resource valuation/economics.

(d) *Dosimetry*. Expertise in conducting and/or evaluation of the dosimetry of animal and human subjects, including identification of factors determining differential patterns of inhalation and/or deposition/uptake in respiratory tract regions that may contribute to differential susceptibility of human population subgroups and animal-to-human dosimetry extrapolations.

(e) *Toxicology*. Expertise in conducting and/or evaluation of experimental laboratory animal studies of the effects of ozone and/or other photochemical oxidants on respiratory and non-respiratory (e.g., lung defense/other immune function mechanisms) endpoints.

(f) *Controlled Human Exposure*. Expertise in conducting and/or evaluation of controlled human exposure studies of the effects of such substances on healthy and compromised (having pertinent preexisting chronic disease, e.g., asthma) human adults and children, including medical doctors (M.D.) with experience in the clinical treatment of asthma.

(g) *Epidemiology and Biostatistics*. Expertise in epidemiological evaluation of the effects of exposures to ambient ozone and/or other major ambient air co-pollutants (e.g., particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, carbon monoxide) on human population groups, including effects on mortality and/or morbidity (e.g., respiratory symptoms, lung function decrements, asthma medication use, respiratory-related hospital admissions) endpoints. Also, expertise in associated biostatistics and/or health risk analysis (including Bayesian statistical approaches).

Process and Deadline for Submitting Nominations

Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified individuals to add expertise to the Panel in the areas of expertise described above. Nominations should be submitted in electronic format through the Form for Nominating Individuals to Panels of the EPA Science Advisory Board provided on the SAB Web site. The form can be accessed through a link on the blue navigational bar on the SAB Web site, <http://www.epa.gov/sab>. To be considered, all nominations must include the information required on that form.

Anyone who is unable to submit nominations using this form, and any questions concerning any aspects of the nomination process may contact Mr.

Fred Butterfield, DFO, as indicated above in this **Federal Register** notice. Nominations should be submitted in time to arrive no later than July 3, 2003.

To be considered, all nominations must include: (a) A current biography, curriculum vitae (C.V.) or resume, which provides the nominee's background, experience and qualifications for the Panel; and (b) a brief biographical sketch ("biosketch"). The biosketch should be no longer than one page and must contain the following information for the nominee:

- (i) Current professional affiliations and positions held;
- (ii) Area(s) of expertise, and research activities and interests;
- (iii) Leadership positions in national associations or professional publications or other significant distinctions;
- (iv) Educational background, especially advanced degrees, including when and from which institutions these were granted;

(v) Service on other advisory committees, professional societies, especially those associated with issues under discussion in this review; and

(vi) Sources of recent (i.e., within the preceding two years) grant and/or other contract support, from government, industry, academia, etc., including the topic area of the funded activity.

Please note that even if there is no responsive information (e.g., no recent grant or contract funding), this must be indicated on the biosketch (by "N/A" or "None"). Incomplete biosketches will result in nomination packages not being accepted.

The EPA Science Advisory Board will acknowledge receipt of the nomination and inform nominators of the panel selected. From the nominees identified by respondents to this **Federal Register** notice (termed the "Widecast"), SAB Staff will develop a smaller subset (known as the "Short List") for more detailed consideration. Criteria used by the SAB Staff in developing this Short List are given at the end of the following paragraph. The Short List will be posted on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>, and will include, for each candidate, the nominee's name and their biosketch. Public comments will be accepted for 21 calendar days on the Short List. During this comment period, the public will be requested to provide information, analysis or other documentation on nominees that the SAB Staff should consider in evaluating candidates for the CASAC Ozone Review Panel.

For the EPA SAB, a balanced review panel is characterized by inclusion of candidates who possess the necessary domains of knowledge, the relevant

scientific perspectives (which, among other factors, can be influenced by work history and affiliation), and the collective breadth of experience to adequately address the charge. Public responses to the Short List candidates will be considered in the selection of the Panel, along with information provided by candidates and information gathered by EPA SAB Staff independently on the background of each candidate (e.g., financial disclosure information and computer searches to evaluate a nominee's prior involvement with the topic under review). Specific criteria to be used in evaluating an individual Panel member include: (a) Scientific and/or technical expertise, knowledge, and experience (primary factors); (b) availability and willingness to serve; (c) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (d) scientific credibility and impartiality; and (e) skills working in committees, subcommittees and advisory panels. Ozone Review Panel members will likely be asked to attend two to three public, face-to-face meetings and several public teleconference meetings per year over the anticipated two-to five-year course of the Panel's activity.

Short List candidates will also be required to fill-out the "Confidential Financial Disclosure Form for Special Government Employees Serving on Federal Advisory Committees at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency" (EPA Form 3110-48). This confidential form, which is used by EPA SAB Members and Consultants, allows Government officials to determine whether there is a statutory conflict between that person's public responsibilities (which includes membership on an EPA Federal advisory committee) and private interests and activities, or the appearance of a lack of impartiality, as defined by Federal regulation. The form may be viewed and downloaded from the following URL address: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/epaform3110-48.pdf>.

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