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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the July 30, 2003 *Federal Register* (68 FR 44784), EPA announced the availability of, and opportunity to comment on, the Framework for Application of the Toxicity Equivalence Methodology for Polychlorinated Dioxins, Furans, and Biphenyls in Ecological Risk Assessment (External Review Draft, June, 2003, EPA/630/R–03/002A). The comment period was scheduled to close on September 29, 2003. This notice extends the comment period until October 29, 2003. EPA will consider all comments received by this date in finalizing the document.

As announced in the *Federal Register* July 30, 2003, a panel of external experts, organized by Versar, Inc., a contractor to EPA, will review this document concurrent to the public comment period described in this notice.

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National Clean Water Act Recognition Awards; Presentation of Awards at the Water Environment Federation's Technical Exposition and Conference (WEFTEC), and Announcement of 2003 National Awards Winners.

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency will recognize municipalities and industries for outstanding and innovative technological achievements in wastewater treatment and pollution abatement programs at the annual National Clean Water Act Recognition Awards Ceremony. An inscribed plaque will be presented at the Ceremony during the Water Environment Federation's Technical Exposition and Conference (WEFTEC) in Los Angeles, California. We are recognizing projects and programs for excellence in five awards categories including operations and maintenance at wastewater treatment facilities, biosolids management, pretreatment, storm water management, and combined sewer overflow controls. This action also announces the 2003 national awards winners.

DATES: Monday, October 13, 2003, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The national awards presentation ceremony will be held at the Los Angeles Convention Center, 1201 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, California.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Clean Water Act Recognition Awards program is authorized under Clean Water Act section 501 (a) and (e), 33 U.S.C. 1361(a) and (e). The awards program provides national recognition and heightens overall public awareness of programs developed to protect the public's health and safety and the

nation's water quality. A regulation at 40 CFR part 105 establishes a framework for the annual recognition awards program. EPA announced the availability of application and nomination information for this year's awards (68 FR 11858, March 12, 2003). State water pollution control agencies and EPA regional offices make recommendations to headquarters for the national awards. Programs being recognized are in compliance with applicable water quality requirements and have a satisfactory record with respect to environmental quality. Recognition is made for their demonstrated achievements in the awards program categories as follows:

- (1) Excellent operations and maintenance practices at wastewater treatment facilities;
- (2) Biosolids management through operating projects, and special biosolids management achievements;
- (3) Municipal implementation and enforcement of local pretreatment programs;
- (4) Storm Water Management excellence; and
- (5) Combined Sewer Overflow Control programs. The EPA's 2003 National Clean Water Act Recognition Awards winners are listed below by category.

	Sub-category
Operations and Maintenance Excellence Awards	
First Place:	
South Cobb Water Reclamation Facility, Mableton, Georgia	Large Advanced Plant.
Kalispell Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant, Kalispell, Montana	Medium Advanced Plant.
Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe Wastewater Treatment Plant, Isabella Reservation, Mount Pleasant, Michigan	Small Advanced Plant.
Buckman Wastewater Treatment Facility, Jacksonville Electric Authority Jacksonville, Florida	Large Secondary Plant—tie.
Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, Martinez, California	Large Secondary Plant—tie.
Logan Township Municipal Utilities Authority, Bridgeport, New Jersey	Medium Secondary Plant.
Antrim Wastewater Treatment Facility, Antrim, New Hampshire	Small Secondary Plant.
Eielson Air Force Base Wastewater Treatment Facility, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska	Large Non-discharging Plant.
Etowah Water and Sewer Authority, Dawsonville, Georgia	Small Non-discharging Plant.
Lisbon Wastewater Treatment Facility, Lisbon, New Hampshire	Most Improved Plant.
Second Place:	
Rockaway Valley Regional Sewerage Authority, Boonton, New Jersey	Large Advanced Plant.
New Canaan Water Pollution Control Facility, New Canaan, Connecticut	Medium Advanced Plant.
Village of Johnson Wastewater Treatment Facility, Johnson, Vermont	Small Advanced Plant.
Atlantic County Utilities Authority, Atlantic City, New Jersey	Large Secondary Plant.
South Kingstown Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility, Narragansett, Rhode Island	Medium Secondary Plant.
Town on Pine Bluffs Sewer, Pine Bluffs, Wyoming	Small Secondary Plant.
St. Joe-Spencerville Regional Sewer District, Saint Joe, Indiana	Most Improved Plant.