

at 8:30 a.m. Monday, October 27, 2003 and is expected to conclude at 1:30 p.m. on October 29, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Oregon Convention Center, 777 N. E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd in Portland, Oregon. Plenary sessions will be held in meeting rooms D131 and D132.

Additional information can be obtained by writing the DFO at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. (1306A), Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The DFO for the Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) is Paul Guthrie (202) 564-3649.

Dated: September 30, 2003.

Paul N. Guthrie,

Designated Federal Officer, Local Government Advisory Committee.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Privacy Act of 1974; Notice of System of Records

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice; amendment to Notice of Privacy Act System of Records EPA-1.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) is amending a Privacy Act system of records to reflect the agency's migration from its legacy Payroll and Personnel System (EPAYS) to PeoplePlus, a modern, commercial off the shelf system. PeoplePlus allows the agency to fully integrate its payroll and HR systems and supports the government-wide initiative led by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to consolidate executive branch payroll providers. This advance in technology paves the way for EPA to become a payroll customer of USDA's National Finance Center at the start of FY2005.

The PeoplePlus system consists of two separate applications. One application will perform HR functions, and the other will perform payroll, and time and labor functions. The records and routine uses of the information in the HR application remain covered by a government-wide notice published by OPM April 27, 2000 at 65 FR 24732. The EPA notice published today is a technical amendment to EPA's system of records to notify the public of the routine uses for the new payroll, time, and labor application. This notice does not affect any Privacy Act rights already accorded individuals who are the

subject of agency payroll records. PeoplePlus will not change the nature of the records currently kept by EPA, and no new uses of information are proposed. This action simply gives notice that EPAYS is being replaced by PeoplePlus. The records are needed to administer EPA's pay and leave requirements, including processing, accounting and reporting requirements.

Today's notice rescinds the portions of EPA's notice published in the **Federal Register** February 22, 2002, at 67 FR 8246 that pertain to the legacy EPAYS system.

DATES: This notice is effective October 10, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Melvin Visnick, Chief, Washington Finance Center, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., (MC 2734R), Washington, DC 20460, 202-564-4944.

Additional information about implementation of the Privacy Act at EPA is available on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/privacy/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA prepares and processes payroll for its employees and for employees of the Department of Transportation's Surface Transportation Board (STB). EPA's legacy Payroll and Personnel System (EPAYS) is more than 30 years old, and the Agency is replacing it with PeoplePlus, a modern, fully integrated human resources (HR), payroll, time and labor system. PeoplePlus will not be used to prepare and process payroll for STB.

Replacing EPAYS is part of an overall e-government effort led by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to consolidate executive branch payroll providers and to simplify and standardize civilian payroll procedures across the Federal government. The e-payroll initiative will transform the current federal civilian payroll service delivery environment and realize efficiencies government-wide. Implementation of PeoplePlus at EPA helps establish the technical infrastructure for EPA to become a payroll customer of the National Finance Center at the start of FY 2005, supporting government-wide payroll consolidation through a phased approach that incorporates modern technology.

The PeoplePlus system consists of two separate applications. One application performs HR functions, and the other performs payroll, time, and labor functions. The records and routine uses of the information in the HR application remain covered by OPM/

GOVT-1, a government-wide notice published by OPM April 27, 2000 at 65 FR 24732. The EPA notice published today is a technical amendment to EPA's system of records to notify the public of the routine uses for the new payroll, time, and labor application in PeoplePlus. This notice does not affect any Privacy Act rights accorded individuals who are the subject of agency payroll records. The nature of the records kept by EPA remains the same, and no new uses of the information are proposed. This action simply gives notice that EPAYS is being replaced by the PeoplePlus payroll, time, and labor application. The records are needed to administer EPA's pay and leave requirements, including processing, accounting and reporting requirements.

Today's notice rescinds the portions of EPA's notice published in the **Federal Register** February 22, 2002, at 67 FR 8246 that pertain to the EPA-1 system of records.

To Obtain Copies of This Document and Related Information

EPA has established an official public docket for this action under Docket ID No. OEI-2003-0034. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Office of Environmental Information (OEI) Docket in the EPA Docket Center, (EPA/DC) EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the OEI Docket is (202) 566-1752.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified above.

More information on implementation of the Privacy Act at EPA is available at <http://www.epa.gov/privacy/>.