

protection procedures. The EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office has determined that the RAC, a standing committee of the Board, will conduct this consultation since the RAC already has the appropriate expertise without the need for additional expert consultants. Therefore, we are not soliciting additional experts for this consultation.

The SAB Staff Office will post the names and biosketches for members of the consultative Panel on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>. Public comments will be accepted until February 18, 2003 on the information provided. During this comment period, the public will be requested to provide information, analysis or other documentation relevant to the membership of the panel for the Staff Office's final decision. Information, analysis or documentation must be received by Dr. K. Jack Kooyoomjian, the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) no later than February 18, 2003. Please see the address/contact information noted below.

For the EPA SAB, a balanced review panel (*i.e.*, committee, subcommittee, or 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. Information provided by the public 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 subcommittee member include: (a) Scientific and/or technical expertise, knowledge, and experience (primary factors); (b) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (c) scientific credibility and impartiality; (d) availability and willingness to serve, and (e) ability to work constructively and effectively in committees.

#### 4. General Information

**Providing Oral or Written Comments at SAB Meetings:** It is the policy of the EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The EPA SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral

or written statements. **Oral Comments:** In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at a face-to-face meeting will be limited to a total time of ten minutes (unless otherwise indicated). For teleconference meetings, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to no more than three minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Interested parties should contact the DFO at least one week prior to the meeting in order to be placed on the public speaker list for the meeting. Speakers may attend the meeting and provide comment up to the meeting time. Speakers should bring at least 35 copies of their comments and presentation slides for distribution to the reviewers and public at the meeting. **Written Comments:** Although the SAB accepts written comments until the date of the meeting (unless otherwise stated), written comments should be received in the SAB Staff Office at least one week prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the review panel for their consideration. Comments should be supplied to Dr. K. Jack Kooyoomjian, the DFO for the Radiation Advisory Committee (RAC) at the address/contact information noted below in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat, WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text files (in IBM-PC/Windows 95/98 format)). Those providing written comments and who attend the meeting are also asked to bring 35 copies of their comments for public distribution. Should comment be provided at the meeting and not in advance of the meeting, they should be in-hand to the DFO up to and immediately following the meeting. The SAB allows a grace period of 48 hours after adjournment of the public meeting to provide written comments supporting any verbal comments stated at the public meeting to be made a part of the public record.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing further information concerning this meeting, who wish to submit brief oral comments, or have comment on the constitution or balance of Radiation Advisory Committee (RAC) membership, must contact Dr. K. Jack Kooyoomjian, DFO, U.S. EPA Science Advisory Board (1400A), Suite 6450BB, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-4557, fax at (202) 501-0582; or via e-mail at [kooyoomjian.jack@epa.gov](mailto:kooyoomjian.jack@epa.gov). Requests for oral comments must be *in writing* (e-mail, fax or mail) and received by Dr.

Kooyoomjian no later than noon Eastern Time five business days prior to the meeting date, February 18, 2003). For information pertaining to the MARSSIM consultation and ORIA Program Office information, please contact Dr. Mary E. Clark, Assistant Director, ORIA at telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-9348, fax at (202) 565-2043, or via e-mail at [Clark.Marye@epa.gov](mailto:Clark.Marye@epa.gov), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

Members of the public desiring additional information about the meeting, such as the agenda, location and directions to the meeting room must contact Ms. Betty Fortune, EPA Science Advisory Board (1400A), Suite 6450, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-4534; fax at (202) 501-0582; or via e-mail at [fortune.betty@epa.gov](mailto:fortune.betty@epa.gov).

A copy of the draft agenda for the meeting will be posted on the SAB Web site (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) (under the AGENDAS subheading) approximately 10 days before the meeting.

**Meeting Access:** Individuals requiring special accommodation at this meeting, including wheelchair access to the conference room, should contact Dr. Kooyoomjian or Ms. Fortune at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: February 4, 2003.

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Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### Notice of Proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended, Ithaca Gun Company Superfund Site

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** Notification is hereby given that a Prospective Purchaser Agreement ("PPA") associated with the Ithaca Gun Company Superfund Site ("Site") located in Ithaca, New York was executed by the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and the