

variable factors (in many cases, incorporating subjective judgments through various methods such as Bayesian approaches or expert elicitation)

(iii) Configuration of sensitivity tests to evaluate alternative distributions for key factors

(iv) Configuration of the side bar "Fixed Current Conditions Analysis" represented in the EPA benefit-cost modeling system

(v) Configuration of multi-factor sensitivity tests to evaluate the relative significance and interaction effects of key uncertain or variable factors

5. *SAB Request for Nominations:* The EPA SAB is requesting nominations of individuals who are recognized, national-level experts in one or more of the following disciplines necessary to contribute to the charge questions to be addressed by the Special Council Panel for the Review of the Third 812 Analysis, AQMS, or HEES:

(a) Emissions estimation (AQMS and the Special Council Panel)

(b) Air quality modeling (AQMS and the Special Council Panel)

(c) Exposure modeling related to air pollution (AQMS, HEES)

(d) Health effects (HEES and the Special Council Panel)

(e) Human clinical studies related to air pollution (HEES and the Special Council Panel)

(f) Air pollution epidemiology (HEES and the Special Council Panel)

(g) Ecosystem effects related to air pollution (HEES and the Special Council Panel)

(h) Uncertainty analysis and statistical and/or subjective probability (AQMS, HEES, and the Special Council Panel)

(i) Decision theory (Special Council Panel)

(j) Representation of expert judgment including expert elicitation (HEES and the Special Council Panel)

(k) Estimation of the value of morbidity and premature mortality risk reduction (Special Council Panel)

(l) Estimation of the value of ecosystem effects (Special Council Panel)

(m) Welfare economics (Special Council Panel).

6. *Process and Deadline for Submitting Nominations:* Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified individuals to add expertise in the above areas for the Special Council Panel for the Review of the Third 812 Analysis, AQMS, or HEES. 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 website. 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 in electronic format may contact Dr. Angela Nugent at the mailing address given at the end of this notice. Nominations should be submitted in time to arrive no later than 21 days after the publication date of this **Federal Register** Notice. Any questions concerning either this process or any other aspects notice should be directed to Dr. Nugent.

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 specific expertise to add to the Council for the Special Council Panel, for the AQMS, or the HEES.

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. 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 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.

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 submitted 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>. Subcommittee members will likely be asked to attend at least one public face-to-face meeting and several public conference call meetings over the anticipated course of the advisory activity.

The approved policy under which the EPA SAB selects review panels is described in a recent SAB document, EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Panel Formation Process: Immediate Steps to Improve Policies and Procedures—An SAB Commentary (EPA-SAB-EC-COM-002-003), which can be found on the SAB's Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/ecm02003.pdf>.

Additional information concerning the EPA Science Advisory Board, including its structure, function, and composition, may be found on the EPA SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab>; and in the EPA Science Advisory Board FY2001 Annual Staff Report, which is available from the EPA SAB Publications Staff at phone: (202) 564-4533; via fax at: (202) 501-0256; or on the SAB Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/annreport01.pdf>.

7. *For Further Information*—Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this Request for Nomination may contact Dr. Angela Nugent, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. EPA Science Advisory Board (1400A), Suite 6450C by telephone/voice mail at (202) 564-4562, by fax at (202) 501-0323; or via e-mail at [nugent.angela@epa.gov](mailto:nugent.angela@epa.gov).