

general permit for the year preceding the date of the annual report.

(g) For the purpose of this permit, the term "ice pier(s)" means those man-made ice structures containing embedded steel cable, and any remaining gravel frozen into the surface of the pier, that are constructed at McMurdo Station, Antarctica, for the purpose of off-loading the annual provision of materiel and supplies for the base at McMurdo Station and other U.S. Antarctic bases, and for loading the previous year's accumulation of wastes, which are returned to the United States.

(h) This permit shall be valid until February 18, 2010.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2003-0015; FRL-7288-5]

### Tribal Pesticide and Special Projects; Request for Proposals

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), in coordination with the EPA regions, is soliciting pesticide and special project proposals from eligible Tribes and intertribal consortia for fiscal year (FY) 2003 funding. Under this program, cooperative agreement awards will provide financial assistance to eligible Tribal Governments or intertribal consortia to carry out projects that assess or reduce risks to human health and the environment from pesticide exposure. The total amount of funding available for award in FY 2003 is \$445,500.

**DATES:** Proposals, identified by docket ID number OPP-2003-0015, must be submitted on or before March 15, 2003. If the project proposal is submitted by fax or electronically by March 15, 2003, the EPA regional contact must receive an original copy of the proposal by mail within 5 working days thereafter.

**ADDRESSES:** Proposals may be submitted by mail, fax, or electronically. Please follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit I.C. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Karen Rudek, Field and External Affairs Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 305-6005; fax number: (703) 308-1850; e-mail address: [rudek.karen@epa.gov](mailto:rudek.karen@epa.gov).

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. General Information

#### A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

Potentially affected entities include federally recognized Tribal governments or qualified intertribal consortia. For this solicitation, an intertribal consortium is defined as a partnership between two or more federally recognized Tribes that is authorized by the governing bodies of those Tribes to apply for and receive assistance under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act. Only one project proposal may be submitted by each Tribal Government or intertribal consortium.

To determine whether your Tribe or your Tribal consortium may be affected by this action, you should carefully examine the applicability provisions in 40 CFR 35.501 and 35.502. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### B. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPP-2003-0015. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "Federal Register" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

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 in Unit I.B.1. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

#### C. How and to Whom Do I Submit a Project Proposal?

You may submit a project proposal through the mail, by fax, or electronically to the EPA Tribal pesticide staff in your region, as listed below. Contact the appropriate regional staff person if you need assistance or have questions regarding the creation or submission of a project proposal. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket ID number OPP-2003-0015 in the subject line on the first page of your proposal.

EPA Region I (Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont) Rob Koethe, EPA Region I, One Congress St., Suite 1100, (CPT), Boston, MA 02114-2023, telephone: (617) 918-1535, fax: (617) 918-1505, e-mail: [koethe.robert@epa.gov](mailto:koethe.robert@epa.gov).

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