

the documents under consideration (including previous scientific peer review) before the candidate is considered further for service on the FIFRA SAP. Those who are selected from the pool of prospective candidates will be asked to attend the public meetings and to participate in the discussion of key issues and assumptions at these meetings. In addition, they will be asked to review and to help finalize the meeting minutes. The list of FIFRA SAP members participating at this meeting will be posted on the FIFRA SAP Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sap> or may be obtained from the OPP Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

II. Background

A. Purpose of FIFRA SAP

FIFRA SAP serves as the primary scientific peer review mechanism of EPA's Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention and is structured to provide scientific advice, information and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on pesticides and pesticide-related issues as to the impact of regulatory actions on health and the environment. FIFRA SAP is a federal advisory committee established in 1975 under FIFRA that operates in accordance with requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix). FIFRA SAP is composed of a permanent panel consisting of seven members who are appointed by the EPA Administrator from nominees provided by the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation. FIFRA established a Science Review Board (SRB) consisting of at least 60 scientists who are available to FIFRA SAP on an ad hoc basis to assist in reviews conducted by FIFRA SAP. As a scientific peer review mechanism, FIFRA SAP provides comments, evaluations, and recommendations to improve the effectiveness and quality of analyses made by Agency scientists. Members of the FIFRA SAP are scientists who have sufficient professional qualifications, including training and experience, to provide expert advice and recommendations to the Agency.

B. Public Meeting

The use of RNA interference (RNAi) gene silencing technology, particularly RNAi for pesticidal purposes to control macroorganism pests, is a relatively recent innovation. Post-transcriptional silencing of gene function is a very rapid process where double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) directs sequence-specific degradation of a RNA. As EPA

anticipated receiving pesticide applications based on RNAi technologies and identified the need to better understand the scientific issues concerning the assessment of the risks to human health and the environment that RNAi technologies pose, it convened a January 28, 2014, Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act Scientific Advisory Panel (FIFRA SAP). This FIFRA SAP provided EPA with scientific advice regarding the framework for assessing RNAi pesticide products.

On October 29, 2015, EPA registered MON 87411, a corn plant-incorporated protectant (PIP) for seed increase/breeding purposes only and not for commercial release, with a time limitation of 2 years and a per-season acreage cap of 15,000 acres. In addition to *Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bt) Cry3Bb1 protein, MON 87411 expresses DvSnf7 dsRNA. Upon consumption by corn rootworm (CRW), the insect's RNAi machinery recognizes DvSnf7 dsRNA, resulting in down-regulation of the targeted DvSnf7 gene and leading to CRW mortality. Earlier this year, EPA received applications from Monsanto Company and Dow AgroSciences, LLC, requesting registration of commercial release RNAi PIPs expressing DvSnf7 dsRNA and known by the name SmartStax PRO. SmartStax PRO also expresses several Bt insecticidal Cry proteins.

EPA will present the human health risk assessment conducted for DvSnf7 dsRNA, as expressed in SmartStax PRO, and will consider the fate of ingested dsRNA and the potential for impacts on gene expression and the immune system. The action of a RNA interference construct relies upon some level of sequence homology with the target gene transcript; however, the fidelity of the sequence match may vary in some instances. EPA will discuss the role that bioinformatic analysis may play in understanding and predicting possible off-target effects within the host genome, as well as in predicting nontarget effects as part of the ecological risk assessment.

EPA will also present an ecological risk assessment for DvSnf7 dsRNA, as expressed in SmartStax PRO, and will include descriptions of environmental fate and nontarget exposure, data reviewed in support of the risk assessment, risk characterization and description, and uncertainties. The charge to the panel will request expert opinion on completeness of the data set and uncertainties related to the risk conclusions.

C. FIFRA SAP Documents and Meeting Minutes

EPA's background paper, related supporting materials, charge/questions to FIFRA SAP, FIFRA SAP composition (*i.e.*, members and ad hoc members for this meeting), and the meeting agenda will be available by approximately late August. In addition, the Agency may provide additional background documents as the materials become available. You may obtain electronic copies of these documents, and certain other related documents that might be available at <http://www.regulations.gov> and the FIFRA SAP Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sap>.

FIFRA SAP will prepare meeting minutes summarizing its recommendations to the Agency approximately 90 days after the meeting. The meeting minutes will be posted to the FIFRA SAP Web site or may be obtained from the OPP Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*; 21 U.S.C. 301 *et seq.*

Dated: June 23, 2016.

Stanley Barone,

Acting Director, Office of Science Coordination and Policy.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Deletion of Items From Sunshine Act Meeting

June 24, 2016.

The following items have been deleted from the list of items scheduled for consideration at the Friday, June 24, 2016, Open Meeting and previously listed in the Commission's Notice of June 17, 2016. Items 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, and 7 on the consent agenda have been adopted by the Commission.

2. Public Safety & Homeland Security Bureau:

Title: Amendment of Part 11 of the Commission's Rules Regarding the Emergency Alert System (PS Docket No. 15-94)

Summary: The Commission will consider a Report and Order that would revise the Emergency Alert System rules by adding new event codes covering extreme high winds and storm surges caused by Category 3 (and greater) hurricanes.

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Consent Agenda

The Commission will consider the following subjects listed below as a

consent agenda and these items will not be presented individually:

1. *Media:*

Title: The Los Angeles Social Justice Radio Project, Application for a Permit to Construct a New Low Power FM Station at Los Angeles, California.

Summary: The Commission will consider a Memorandum Opinion and Order concerning the dismissal of an application to construct a new low power FM station in Los Angeles, California.

2. *Media:*

Title: LPFM MX Group 37.

Summary: The Commission will consider a Memorandum Opinion and Order concerning the LPFM MX Group 37 (San Francisco, CA) from the 2013 LPFM filing window.

3. *Media:*

Title: Comparative Consideration of 3 Groups of Mutually Exclusive Applications for Permits to Construct New Noncommercial Educational FM Stations.

Summary: The Commission will consider a Memorandum Opinion and Order concerning three petitions for reconsideration for permits to construct new NCE FM stations.

4. *Media:*

Title: Kingdom of God, Inc., Former Licensee of Deleted Class A Television Station DWKOG-LP, Indianapolis, IN.

Summary: The Commission will consider a Memorandum Opinion and Order concerning the denial of a Petition for Reconsideration of the cancellation of the Station's license and digital construction permit, deletion of its call-sign, and dismissal of pending applications.

5. *Media:*

Title: Royce International Broadcasting Company, Assignor, and Entercom Communications Corp. (Assignee), Application for Assignment of License of Station KUDL(FM) (formerly KWOD), Sacramento, California.

Summary: The Commission will consider a Memorandum Opinion and Order concerning the Media Bureau's dismissal of a Petition for Review.

6. *Media:*

Title: Gwendolyn May, Former Permittee of Deleted Low Power Television Station DK15CC, San Antonio, TX.

Summary: The Commission will consider a Memorandum Opinion and Order concerning the denial of a Petition for Reconsideration

regarding the rescission of the Video Division's grant of for application for assignment of a construction permit.

7. *Media:*

Title: R&F Broadcasting, Inc. Licensee of Station WRFB(TV), Carolina, Puerto Rico.

Summary: The Commission will consider an Order adopting a Consent Decree which resolves issues regarding potential violations of the Commission's rules and grants the license renewal application of WRFB(TV).

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality

AGENCY: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, this notice announces a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, July 22, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at AHRQ, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jaime Zimmerman, Designated Management Official, at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, 5600 Fishers Lane, Mail Stop 06E37A, Rockville, Maryland 20857, (301) 427-1456. For press-related information, please contact Alison Hunt at (301) 427-1244 or Alison.Hunt@ahrq.hhs.gov.

If sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodation for a disability is needed, please contact the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Office of Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity Management on (301) 827-4840, no later than Friday, July 15, 2016. The agenda, roster, and minutes will be available from Ms. Bonnie Campbell, Committee Management Officer, Agency for

Healthcare Research and Quality, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857. Ms. Campbell's phone number is (301) 427-1554.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Purpose

The National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality is authorized by Section 941 of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 299c. In accordance with its statutory mandate, the Council is to advise the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Director of AHRQ, on matters related to AHRQ's conduct of its mission including providing guidance on (A) priorities for health care research, (B) the field of health care research including training needs and information dissemination on health care quality and (C) the role of the Agency in light of private sector activity and opportunities for public private partnerships. The Council is composed of members of the public, appointed by the Secretary, and Federal ex-officio members specified in the authorizing legislation.

II. Agenda

On Friday, July 22, 2016, there will be a subcommittee meeting for the National Healthcare Quality and Disparities Report scheduled to begin at 7:30 a.m. This meeting is open to the public. The Council meeting will convene at 8:30 a.m., with the call to order by the Council Chair and approval of previous Council summary notes. The meeting agenda includes an update on AHRQ's current research, programs, and initiatives, an update on the synthesis of evidence and a presentation on AHRQ's role in quality measurement. The final agenda will be available on the AHRQ Web site at www.AHRQ.gov no later than Friday, July 15, 2016. The meeting is open to the public and will be available via webcast at www.webconferences.com/ahrq.

Sharon B. Arnold,

Deputy Director.

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