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## VI. Administrative Record

The record supporting this notice is contained in docket control number OPPTS-400110. All documents, including the references listed in Unit V. above and an index of the docket, are available to the public in the TSCA Non-Confidential Information Center (NCIC), also known as the Public Docket Office, from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The TSCA NCIC is located at EPA Headquarters, Rm. NE-B607, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

## List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Community right-to-know, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, and Toxic chemicals.

Dated: April 28, 1997.

**Lynn R. Goldman**,  
Assistant Administrator for Prevention,  
Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5822-2]

### Proposed Administrative Settlement Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; Indian Line Farm Superfund Site

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed settlement agreement and request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to enter into settlement agreements to address claims under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.* Notice is being published to inform the public of the proposed settlements and of the opportunity to comment. The settlements are intended to resolve the liability under CERCLA of the Metropolitan District Commission ("MDC"), the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and TDL, Inc., for past costs incurred by EPA in connection with an emergency removal action conducted in 1992 and 1993, at the Indian Line Farm Superfund Site in Canton, Massachusetts.

**DATES:** Comments must be provided on or before June 6, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to the Docket Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, JFK Federal Building, Mailcode RCG, Boston, Massachusetts 02203, and should refer to: Proposed Administrative Agreement under 122(h) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; RE: Indian Line Farm Superfund Site Canton, Massachusetts.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sandra Dupuy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, J.F.K. Federal

Building, Mailcode RCT, Boston, Massachusetts 02203, (617) 565-3686.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*, notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement under 122(h) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act. The settlement was approved by EPA Region I, subject to review by the public pursuant to this Notice. The Metropolitan District Commission, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and TDL, Inc., have executed signature pages committing them to participate in the settlement. Under the proposed settlements, the Metropolitan District Commission, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and TDL, Inc., will reimburse EPA for past costs expended in connection with an emergency removal action conducted at the Indian Line Farm Superfund Site. EPA believes the settlement is fair and in the public interest.

EPA is entering into this agreement under the authority of CERCLA Section 101 *et seq.* which provides EPA with authority to consider, compromise, and settle a claim under Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA for costs incurred by the United States if the claim has not been referred to the U.S. Department of Justice for further action. The U.S. Department of Justice will have approved this settlement in writing prior to the agreement becoming effective. EPA will receive written comments relating to this settlement for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this Notice.

A copy of the proposed administrative settlement may be obtained in person or by mail from Sandra Dupuy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, JFK Federal Building, Mailcode RCT, Boston, Massachusetts 02203, (617) 565-3320.

The Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection with the Docket Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, JFK Federal Building, Mailcode RCG, Boston, Massachusetts (U.S. EPA Docket No. CERCLA-I-97-).

Dated: April 17, 1997.

**John DeVillars,**

*Regional Administrator.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-400112; FRL-5717-9]

### Ethylene Glycol; Risk Assessment Peer Review

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is giving notice of its ongoing peer review process for evaluating its risk assessment for ethylene glycol, and announcing that it will include in this process an external peer review. The external peer review will be an open process that will include stakeholders and other interested parties. EPA is also soliciting relevant information that will aid this peer review process.

**DATES:** Information should be submitted by [Insert date 60 days from date of publication in the **Federal Register**].

**ADDRESSES:** Submitted information should be provided in triplicate to: OPPT Docket Clerk, TSCA Document Receipt Office (7407), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Rm. G-099, Washington, DC 20460, Attention: Docket Control Number OPPTS-400112.

Information claimed as confidential must be clearly marked as confidential business information (CBI). If CBI is claimed, three additional sanitized copies must also be submitted. Nonconfidential versions of information on this notice will be placed in the public record and will be available for public inspection. The public record is available for inspection from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The public record is located in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, Rm. NE-B607, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Vanessa Vu, Director, Risk Assessment Division (7403), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, Telephone: 202-260-3442.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Elsewhere in today's **Federal Register**, EPA is announcing the results of its review of ethylene glycol for purposes of its continued listing as a toxic chemical under section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), 42 U.S.C 11023. While EPA believes the risk assessment in the EPCRA notice is sufficient for use in the listing evaluation discussed in that notice, it may not be adequate for

other purposes such as standard setting. For purposes of making listing decisions under section 313, EPCRA does not require EPA to perform formal risk assessments. Therefore, when EPA considers exposure, a screening-level risk assessment such as that in the EPCRA notice is sufficient. Whether such a risk assessment is adequate for other purposes must be determined on a case-by-case basis pursuant to the applicable statutory or regulatory authority.

Persons interested in ethylene glycol should be aware that EPA is continuing the refinement of its ethylene glycol risk assessment. In response to EPA's Risk Characterization Policy (Carol M. Browner, EPA Administrator, *EPA Risk Characterization Program*, March 21, 1995) the Agency's Science Policy Council (SPC), a group of senior risk managers and risk assessors, is sponsoring a series of colloquia to provide internal peer review of several EPA risk assessments as case studies, including the one for ethylene glycol. These colloquia bring together risk assessors and risk managers to discuss the quality of the assessments, and to suggest ways to improve the presentation of the characterization of risk. The risk assessments chosen for this process are in the last stages of the internal EPA review.

After the internal peer review process is complete, the SPC plans to have a number of these case studies externally peer-reviewed. Although the SPC has not yet finalized the procedures for the external peer review process, it is clear that the review will be an open process that will include stakeholders and other interested parties. As part of this process, EPA's Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances (OPPTS) will submit the assessment for ethylene glycol for external peer review.

EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice that provides specific details about the external peer review process for the ethylene glycol risk assessment. As a general matter, the scientific peer review will address the strength of the hazard and risk conclusions and the reasonableness of policy decisions and assumptions used in the risk assessment process.

EPA is encouraging anyone with information relevant to the above issues (or other aspects of the ethylene glycol risk assessment) to submit that information to the address listed under the ADDRESSES unit by (Insert date 60 days from date of publication in the **Federal Register**). Having the information in advance will assist in the preparations for an efficient and effective external peer review.