along with the LEVII and 1999 ZEV amendments). **DATES:** EPA has scheduled a public

hearing concerning the 1999 ZEV

amendments, the LEVII amendments, and the 2001 ZEV amendments on July 11, 2002 beginning at 10 a.m. It is not necessary to request a hearing regarding any of these matters. Any party may submit written comment concerning the 1999 ZEV amendments, the LEVII amendments, and the 2001 ZEV amendments by August 12, 2002. ADDRESSES: EPA will make available for public inspection at the Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center written comments received from interested parties, in addition to any testimony given at the public hearing. The Air Dockets is open during working hours from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at EPA, Air Docket (6102), Room M-1500, Waterside Mall, 401 M St., SW, Washington, DC 20460. The reference number for this docket is A-2002-11. EPA will hold the public hearing on July 11, 2002 in room 1153, 1200 Constitution Ave, NW (referred to as

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Robert Brenner,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Office of Research and Development [FRL-7236-4]

Ambient Air Monitoring Reference and Equivalent Methods: Designation of a New Reference Method for CO and a New Equivalent Method for O₃

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of designation of new reference and equivalent methods for ambient air monitoring.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated, in accordance with 40 CFR part 53, a new reference method for measuring concentrations of CO in ambient air and a new equivalent

method for measuring concentrations of O₃ in ambient air.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with regulations at 40 CFR part 53, the EPA evaluates various methods for monitoring the concentrations of those ambient air pollutants for which EPA has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQSs), set forth in 40 CFR part 50. Monitoring methods that are determined to meet specific requirements for adequacy are designated by the EPA as either reference methods or equivalent methods (as applicable), thereby permitting their use under 40 CFR part 58 by States and other agencies for determining attainment of the NAAQSs.

The EPA hereby announces the designation of one new reference method for measuring concentrations of carbon monoxide (CO) in ambient air and one new equivalent method for measuring concentrations of ozone (O₃) in ambient air. These designations are made under the provisions of 40 CFR part 53, as amended on July 18, 1997 (62 FR 38764).

The new reference method for CO is an automated method that utilizes the measurement principle based on nondispersive infra-red absorption photometry (combined with gas filter correlation) and the calibration procedure specified in appendix C of 40 CFR part 50. The newly designated reference method is identified as follows: RFCA-0206-147 "Environnement S.A Model CO12M Gas Filter Correlation Carbon Monoxide Analyzer," operated with a full scale range of 0-50 ppm, at any temperature in the range of 10 °C to 35 °C, on a nominal power line voltage of 115 Vac (50 or 60 Hz) or 230 Vac (50 Hz), with a 5-micron PTFE sample particulate filter, with response time ON, and with the automatic "ZERO-REF" cycle either ON or OFF.

An application for a reference method determination for this method was received by the EPA on February 8, 2002. The method is available commercially from the applicant, Environnement S.A, 111, Boulevard Robespierre, 78304 Poissy, France (http://www.environnement-sa.com).

The new equivalent method for O_3 is an automated method that utilizes a

measurement principle based on nondispersive ultraviolet absorption photometry. The newly designated reference method is identified as follows:

EQOA–0206–148, "Environnement S.A Model O_342M UV Photometric Ozone Analyzer," operated with a full scale range of 0–500 ppb, at any temperature in the range of 10 °C to 35 °C, on a nominal power line voltage of 115 Vac (50 or 60 Hz) or 230 Vac (50 Hz), with a 5-micron PTFE sample particulate filter, with response time setting of 11 (Automatic response time), and with or without any of the following options:

(a) Internal ozone generator,

(b) Span external control (zero/span solenoid valve).

An application for an equivalent method determination for this method was received by the EPA on November 13, 2001. The method is available commercially from the applicant, Environnement S. A., 111, Boulevard Robespierre, 78304 Poissy, France (http://www.environnement-sa.com).

Test analyzers representative of each of these methods have been tested by the applicant in accordance with the applicable test procedures specified in 40 CFR part 53 (as amended on July 18, 1997). After reviewing the results of those tests and other information submitted by the applicant, EPA has determined, in accordance with part 53, that these methods should be designated as a reference method and an equivalent method, respectively. The information submitted by the applicant will be kept on file, either at EPA's National Exposure Research Laboratory, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711 or in an approved archive storage facility, and will be available for inspection (with advance notice) to the extent consistent with 40 CFR part 2 (EPA's regulations implementing the Freedom of Information Act).

As a designated reference or equivalent method, each of these methods is acceptable for use by states and other air monitoring agencies under the requirements of 40 CFR part 58, Ambient Air Quality Surveillance. For such purposes, the method must be used in strict accordance with the operation or instruction manual associated with the method and subject to any specifications and limitations (e.g., configuration, sample period, or temperature range) specified in the applicable designation method description (see the identification of the methods above). Use of the method should also be in general accordance with the guidance and recommendations of applicable sections

of the "Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume II, EPA/600/R–94/0386." Vendor modifications of a designated reference or equivalent method used for purposes of part 58 are permitted only with prior approval of the EPA, as provided in part 53. Provisions concerning modification of such methods by users are specified under section 2.8 of appendix C to 40 CFR part 58 (Modifications of Methods by Users).

In general, a method designation applies to any sampler or analyzer which is identical to the sampler or analyzer described in the application for designation. In some cases, similar samplers or analyzers manufactured prior to the designation may be upgraded or converted (e.g., by minor modification or by substitution of the approved operation or instruction manual) so as to be identical to the designated method and thus achieve designated status. The manufacturer should be consulted to determine the feasibility of such upgrading or conversion.

Part 53 requires that sellers of designated reference or equivalent method analyzers or samplers comply with certain conditions. These conditions are specified in 40 CFR 53.9 and are summarized below:

(a) A copy of the approved operation or instruction manual must accompany the sampler or analyzer when it is delivered to the ultimate purchaser.

(b) The sampler or analyzer must not generate any unreasonable hazard to operators or to the environment.

- (c) The sampler or analyzer must function within the limits of the applicable performance specifications given in 40 CFR parts 50 and 53 for at least one year after delivery when maintained and operated in accordance with the operation or instruction manual.
- (d) Any sampler or analyzer offered for sale as part of a reference or equivalent method must bear a label or sticker indicating that it has been designated as part of a reference or equivalent method in accordance with part 53 and showing its designated method identification number.

(e) If such an analyzer has two or more selectable ranges, the label or sticker must be placed in close proximity to the range selector and indicate which range or ranges have been included in the reference or equivalent method designation.

(f) An applicant who offers samplers or analyzers for sale as part of a reference or equivalent method is required to maintain a list of ultimate purchasers of such samplers or analyzers and to notify them within 30 days if a reference or equivalent method designation applicable to the method has been canceled or if adjustment of the sampler or analyzer is necessary under 40 CFR 53.11(b) to avoid a cancellation.

- (g) An applicant who modifies a sampler or analyzer previously designated as part of a reference or equivalent method is not permitted to sell the sampler or analyzer (as modified) as part of a reference or equivalent method (although it may be sold without such representation), nor to attach a designation label or sticker to the sampler or analyzer (as modified) under the provisions described above, until the applicant has received notice under 40 CFR 53.14(c) that the original designation or a new designation applies to the method as modified, or until the applicant has applied for and received notice under 40 CFR 53.8(b) of a new reference or equivalent method determination for the sampler or analyzer as modified.
- (h) An applicant who offers PM_{2.5} samplers for sale as part of a reference or equivalent method is required to maintain the manufacturing facility in which the sampler is manufactured as an ISO 9001-certified facility.
- (i) An applicant who offers PM_{2.5} samplers for sale as part of a reference or equivalent method is required to submit annually a properly completed Product Manufacturing Checklist, as specified in part 53.

Aside from occasional breakdowns or malfunctions, consistent or repeated noncompliance with any of these conditions should be reported to: Director, Human Exposure and Atmospheric Sciences Division (MD–E205–01), National Exposure Research Laboratory, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711.

Designation of these reference and equivalent methods is intended to assist the States in establishing and operating their air quality surveillance systems under 40 CFR part 58. Questions concerning the commercial availability or technical aspects of either of the methods should be directed to the applicant.

Dated: June 12, 2002.

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Acting Director, National Exposure Research Laboratory.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Systems Integration Group, Inc. and Micrographics Specialties, Inc.; Transfer of Data

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that pesticide related information submitted to EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), including information that may have been claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI) by the submitter, will be transferred to Systems Integration Group, Inc. and its subcontractor, Micrographics Specialties, Inc., in accordance with 40 CFR 2.307(h)(3) and 2.308(i)(2). Systems Integration Group, Inc. and its subcontractor, Micrographics Specialties, Inc., have been awarded a contract to perform work for OPP, and access to this information will enable Systems Integration Group, Inc. and its subcontractor, Micrographics Specialties, Inc., to fulfill the obligations of the contract.

DATES: Systems Integration Group, Inc. and its subcontractor, Micrographics Specialties, Inc., will be given access to this information on or before July 1, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Erik R. Johnson, FIFRA Security Officer, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305–7248; e-mail address: johnson.erik@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action applies to the public in general. As such, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.