

EPA published a draft title V permit for public comment. The public comment period ended on June 30, 2017, and EPA did not receive any significant comments. EPA issued the final permit for Mystic Lake Casino Hotel, permit number V-27139R0001-2016-01, on July 13, 2017. Pursuant to 40 CFR 71.11(i)(2)(iii), the permit became effective immediately upon issuance since EPA did not receive any comments requesting a change in the draft permit.

## B. Appeal of the Permits

Pursuant to 40 CFR 71.11(l), any person who filed comments on the draft permit may petition for administrative review subject to the requirements of 40 CFR 71.11(l). If no one filed comments on the draft permit and the final permit is identical to the permit as proposed, any person may petition for administrative review of the permit only to the extent that grounds for a petition have arisen that were not reasonably foreseeable during the public comment period on the draft permit. For CS#5 permit number V-FDL-271300066-2016-03, the 30-day period during which a person may seek review under 40 CFR 71.11(l) began on January 30, 2017. For Treasure Island Resort & Casino permit number V-PI-2704900084-2012-13, the 30-day period during which a person may seek review under 40 CFR 71.11(l) began on January 31, 2017. For Grand Casino Hinckley permit number V-ML-2711500031-2016-01, the 30-day period during which a person may seek review under 40 CFR 71.11(1) began on October 20, 2016. For Grand Casino Hinckley permit number V-ML-2711500031-2016-02, the 30-day period during which a person may seek review under 40 CFR 71.11(1) began on July 14, 2017. For Mystic Lake Casino Hotel permit number V-27139R0001-2016-01, the 30-day period during which a person may seek review under 40 CFR 71.11(1) began on July 14, 2017.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 124.19(2), any person who filed comments on the draft PSD permit may file a petition for review as provided in 40 CFR 124.19. Additionally, any person who failed to file comments may petition for administrative review of any permit conditions set forth in the final permit decision, but only to the extent that those final permit conditions reflect changes from the proposed draft permit. For Grand Casino Hinckley permit number PSD-ML-2711500031-2017-03, the 30-day period during which a person may seek review under 40 CFR 124.19 began on July 14, 2017.

## C. What is the purpose of this notice?

EPA is notifying the public of the issuance of title V operating permits to Great Lakes Gas, NRG Reliability Solutions, LLC, Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures and SMSC. EPA is also notifying the public of the issuance of a title I construction permit to Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures.

EPA issued permit number V-FDL-2713700066-2016-03 to Great Lakes Gas on January 26, 2017, which became effective immediately upon issuance. EPA issued permit number V-PI-2704900084-2012-13 to NRG Reliability Solutions, LLC on January 27, 2017, which became effective immediately upon issuance. EPA issued permit number V-ML-2711500031-2016-01 on October 20, 2016 to Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures, which became effective on November 20, 2016. EPA issued permit numbers V-ML-2711500031-2016-02 and PSD-ML-2711500031-2017-03 on July 6, 2017 to Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures, which became effective immediately upon issuance. EPA issued permit number V-27139R0001-2016-01 on July 13, 2017 to SMSC, which became effective immediately upon issuance.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Dated: August 14, 2017.

**Robert A. Kaplan,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OW-2016-0439; FRL-9967-70-OW]

### Request for Public Comments To Be Sent to Versar, Inc., on an Interim List of Perchlorate in Drinking Water Expert Peer Reviewers and Draft Peer Review Charge Questions

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

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing a request for public comment on an interim list of peer review candidates and materials that relate to the expert peer review to support EPA's Safe Drinking Water Act decision making for perchlorate. *This request is one of two Federal Register notices being published concurrently, seeking public comment on two separate sets of materials.* This notice requests comments to be sent to EPA's

contractor, Versar, Inc., on the interim list of peer review candidates and the draft charge questions. Versar, Inc., will consider the comments received on this notice in selecting the final peer review panel, which will collectively provide appropriate expertise spanning the subject matter areas covered by the draft report and, to the extent feasible, best provide a balance of perspectives. EPA will consider comments received on this notice to help inform the final peer review panel's charge. The companion notice requests comments (to be sent to EPA) on a draft report entitled "Draft Report: Proposed Approaches to Inform the Derivation of a Maximum Contaminant Level Goal for Perchlorate in Drinking Water" (draft MCLG Approaches Report).

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before October 6, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments to Versar, Inc., no later than *October 6, 2017* by one of the following methods:

- *Email:* [perchlorate@versar.com](mailto:perchlorate@versar.com) (subject line: Perchlorate Peer Review)
- *Mail:* Versar, Inc., 6850 Versar Center, Springfield, VA 22151 (ATTN: Tracey Cowen).

Please be advised that public comments are subject to release under the Freedom of Information Act.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions concerning the interim list of expert peer review candidates and draft peer review charge questions should be directed to Versar, Inc., at 6850 Versar Center, Springfield, VA 22151; by email [perchlorate@versar.com](mailto:perchlorate@versar.com) (subject line: Perchlorate Peer Review); or by phone: (301) 304-3121 (ask for Tracey Cowen).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Process of Obtaining Candidate Reviewers

EPA announced a public nomination period from March 1, 2016, to March 31, 2016, in the **Federal Register** (81 FR 10617; March 1, 2016), during which members of the public were able to nominate scientific experts with knowledge and experience in one or more of the following areas: (1) Physiologically-based pharmacokinetic (PBPK), physiologically-based pharmacokinetic/pharmacodynamic (PBPK/PD) and/or biologically based dose-response (BBDR) modeling, (2) fetal and neonatal thyroid endocrinology (clinical and experimental), (3) iodide homeostasis, and (4) perchlorate toxicology and mode of action or adverse outcome pathway. On June 3, 2016, in the **Federal Register** (81 FR 35760), EPA invited the public to also nominate scientific experts with knowledge and experience in one or

more of the following areas of human health risk assessment: (1) An understanding of thyroid function (preferably in the sensitive life stages of interest), (2) the importance of maternal thyroid hormone homeostasis in each stage of gestation, (3) hypothyroxinemia, (4) neurodevelopmental assessment indices for young children including the Bayley's Scale, (5) the toxicity of perchlorate, (6) epidemiological assessment techniques, and (7) statistics.

Versar, Inc., considered the nominated peer review candidates and also conducted an independent search for scientific experts to augment the list of publically-nominated candidates.

**Selection Process:** Versar, Inc., considered and screened all candidates against the selection criteria described in the March 1, 2016, and June 3, 2016, **Federal Register** notices (81 FR 10617 and 81 FR 35760, respectively), which included the candidates being free of any conflict of interest and being available to participate in-person in a two-day, public, peer review meeting in the Washington, DC, area. Versar, Inc., narrowed the list of potential reviewers for the second panel to 12 candidates. EPA is now soliciting comments on the interim list of 12 candidates.

EPA requests that the public provide relevant information or documentation on the experts that the contractor should consider in evaluating these candidates. Once the public comments on the interim list of candidates have been reviewed and considered, the contractor will select the final list of peer reviewers.

**Responsibilities of Peer Reviewers:** Peer reviewers will be charged with evaluating and preparing written comments on EPA's draft MCLG Approaches Report. Versar, Inc., will provide reviewers with a summary and compilation of public comments on the draft MCLG Approaches Report submitted to EPA's docket (ID number EPA-HQ-OW-2016-0438) during the 45-day public comment period, for their consideration. Reviewers will participate in a two-day meeting expected to be held in the Washington, DC, metro area, projected to occur in late fall of 2017 (exact date to be determined), to discuss the scientific basis supporting these materials. Following the meeting, Versar, Inc., will provide a report to EPA, summarizing the peer reviewers' evaluation of the scientific and technical merit of the draft MCLG Approaches Report and the peer reviewers' full responses to the charge questions. EPA will make the final peer review report available to the public (exact date to be determined). In

preparing the final MCLG Approaches Report, EPA will consider the peer review report as well as the written public comments submitted to the docket.

## II. Interim List of Peer Reviewers

Versar, Inc., is considering the following candidates for the peer review panel. Biosketches are available through the EPA docket at <http://www.regulations.gov> (Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2016-0439). After review and consideration of public comments and consultation with EPA's Scientific Integrity Official, Versar, Inc., will select from this list, the final list of peer reviewers, who will, collectively, best provide expertise spanning the previously mentioned areas of knowledge and experience and, to the extent feasible, best provide a balance of perspectives. EPA will announce the peer review panel meeting date, location and registration details, along with the final list of peer reviewers selected by Versar, Inc., at least 30 days prior to the meeting.

### *Name of Nominee, Degree, Place of Employment*

1. Hugh A. Barton, Ph.D., Pfizer, Inc.
2. Nancy Carrasco, M.D., Yale School of Medicine
3. Jonathan Chevrier, Ph.D., McGill University Faculty of Medicine
4. Claude Emond, Ph.D., University of Montreal
5. Dale Hattis, Ph.D., George Perkins Marsh Institute, Clark University
6. Judy S. LaKind, Ph.D., LaKind Associates, LLC
7. Angela M. Leung, M.D., M.Sc., UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine
8. Paul H. Lipkin, M.D., Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
9. Elizabeth N. Pearce, M.D., M.Sc., Boston Medical Center/Boston University School of Medicine
10. Stephen M. Roberts, Ph.D., University of Florida
11. Joanne F. Rovet, Ph.D., The Hospital for Sick Children (Toronto)
12. Craig Steinmaus, M.D., M.P.H., University of California, Berkeley

## III. Draft Peer Review Charge Questions

The draft peer review charge questions are available through the EPA docket at <http://www.regulations.gov> (Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2016-0439).

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**Michael H. Shapiro,**  
*Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Water.*

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## EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

[3046-0007]

### Stay the Effectiveness of the EEO-1 Pay Data Collection

**AGENCY:** Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) announces that, until further notice, filers subject to the EEO-1 reporting requirement should not submit aggregate data about W-2 (Box 1) income and hours worked, which is the information required by "Component 2" of the EEO-1 report as approved on September 29, 2016. However, filers should continue to submit data on the ethnicity, race, and sex of workers by job category ("Component 1" of the EEO-1 report). This is the same type of EEO-1 data that filers have submitted in the past.

**DATES:** All EEO-1 filers should submit and certify their 2017 EEO-1 reports (Component 1 data only) by March 31, 2018. They should count employees for purposes of this EEO-1 report during a "workforce snapshot period" between October 1 and December 31, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ronald Edwards, Director, Program Research and Surveys Division, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 131 M Street NE., Room 4SW30F, Washington, DC 20507 (202) 663-4949 (voice) or (202) 663-7063 (TTY). Requests for this notice in an alternative format should be made to the Office of Communications and Legislative Affairs at (202) 663-4191 (voice) or (202) 663-4494 (TTY).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 29, 2017, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued a memorandum<sup>1</sup> informing the EEOC that OMB was initiating a review and immediate stay of the effectiveness of a portion of the EEO-1 report that was initially approved on September 29, 2016.<sup>2</sup> Specifically, OMB initiated a review and immediate stay of the portion of the EEO-1 report that required the reporting of aggregate W-2 (Box 1) income and hours-worked data by employers (including federal contractors) with 100 or more employees. (This is called EEO-

<sup>1</sup> OMB's memorandum is available at [https://www.reginfo.gov/public/jsp/Utilities/Review\\_and\\_Stay\\_Memo\\_for\\_EEOC.pdf](https://www.reginfo.gov/public/jsp/Utilities/Review_and_Stay_Memo_for_EEOC.pdf).

<sup>2</sup> The September 29, 2016 Notice of OMB Action was reissued on October 18, 2016. [https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref\\_nbr=201610-3046-001#](https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201610-3046-001#)