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## INTRODUCTION

### **About the Report:**

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# Summary of Issues

## 1. General

National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology	<b>Date:</b> 2/24/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Meeting Announcement	<b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 8407
<b>Summary:</b> National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT) will meet on March 11-12, 2004 in Washington, DC. The NACEPT council is a proactive, strategic panel of experts that identifies emerging challenges facing EPA.  The meeting agenda includes: - development of the NACEPT Council's agenda for FY04 to support the Administrator's priorities; - NACEPT subcommittee reports.	
<b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b> Provided for information only.	<b>CFR References:</b>
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## 2. General

Executive Order 13327--Federal Real Property Asset Management	<b>Date:</b> 2/6/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Executive Order	<b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 5895
<p><b>Summary:</b>  The President recently issued Executive Order 13327, "Federal Real Property Asset Management."</p> <p>The executive order requires agencies to develop and submit agency asset management plans. In developing the plan, the senior agency real property officer is tasked to incorporate planning and management requirements for historic property under Executive Order 13287 of March 3, 2003, and for environmental management under Executive Order 13148 of April 21, 2000.</p> <p>The order establishes a Federal Real Property Council whose tasking includes development of performance measures to determine the effectiveness of Federal real property management. The Council is specifically tasked to consider the following performance measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- life cycle cost estimations;</li> <li>- <b>the environmental costs associated with ownership of property, including the costs of environmental restoration and compliance activities;</b></li> <li>- the enhancement of Federal agency productivity through an improved working environment.</li> </ul>	
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### 3. General

Generic Ecological Assessment Endpoints	<b>Date:</b> 2/25/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Notice, Guidance	<b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 8656
<p><b>Summary:</b>  EPA's Risk Assessment Forum Technical Panel has released a final report titled, Generic Ecological Assessment Endpoints (EPA/630/P-02-004F).</p> <p>A critical early step in conducting an ecological risk assessment is deciding which aspects of the environment will be selected for evaluation. This step is often challenging because of the remarkable diversity of species, ecological communities, and ecological functions, and because of statutory ambiguity regarding what is to be protected. This report builds on existing EPA guidance to assist those involved in ecological risk assessments in "selecting assessment endpoints."</p> <p>An assessment endpoint is operationally defined as an ecological entity and its attributes. An ecological entity for example, might be a fish species, such as Coho salmon, with its attributes being fecundity and recruitment. EPA identifies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Organism-level endpoints (kills, gross anomalies, survival, fecundity, growth);</li> <li>- Population-level endpoints (extirpation, abundance, production);</li> <li>- Community and ecosystem-level endpoints (taxa richness, abundance, production , area, etc.); and</li> <li>- Officially designated endpoints (e.g., critical habitat area and quality).</li> </ul> <p>The guidance indicates precedents in use of endpoints and discusses how to make generic endpoints specific to a risk assessment effort.</p> <p>The report is available at: <a href="http://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/raf/recordisplay.cfm?deid=55131">http://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/raf/recordisplay.cfm?deid=55131</a></p>	
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#### 4. CAA

<b>Mobile Source Observation Database (MSOD) User Guide</b>	<b>Date:</b> 2/23/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Notice, Information	<b>Cite:</b> EPA Recent Additions
<p><b>Summary:</b>            EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality has updated The Mobile Source Observation Database User Guide and Reference (EPA420-B-04-004, February 2004). The User Guide provides detailed information on the Mobile Source Observation Database (MSOD) design and input data design, and the input file structures which allow a user to use EPA's data checking quality control software to review emission data.</p> <p>The MSOD stores general purpose emission factor data from in-use mobile air- pollution sources such as cars, trucks, and engines from trucks and nonroad vehicles. Data records date from 1982 to the present. While not a purely "random" sample, the data is intended to be representative of in-use vehicle emissions in the United States. The database contains approximately 60 tables, supplemented by a larger number of small "translation" or "category" tables which define and explain the legal values for some of its individual data items.</p> <p>The User Guide and the MSOD is available at: <a href="http://www.epa.gov/otaq/models/msod/msodannc.htm">http://www.epa.gov/otaq/models/msod/msodannc.htm</a> order</p>	
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## 5. CAA

Clean Air Act Reclassification, San Joaquin Valley Nonattainment Area; California; Ozone	<b>Date:</b> 2/23/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Proposed Rulemaking	<b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 8126
<p><b>Summary:</b>  EPA is proposing to grant California's voluntarily request to reclassify the San Joaquin Valley Ozone Nonattainment Area (SJVAB) from a severe to an extreme 1-hour ozone nonattainment area. EPA is also proposing that California submit an extreme ozone nonattainment area plan by October 1, 2004 and that the State submit revised Title V and New Source Review rules that reflect the extreme area requirements within 12 months of the final reclassification.</p> <p>Final reclassification of the SJVAB will stop the sanctions and federal implementation plan clocks that were started when the EPA found that the State failed to submit the statutorily required severe area attainment demonstration for the area.</p> <p>Counties in the SJVAB include: San Joaquin, the western portion of Kern, Fresno, Kings, Madera, Merced, Stanislaus and Tulare.</p> <p>Comments are due March 24, 2004.</p>	
<b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b> Provided for information only.	<b>CFR References:</b> 40 CFR 81
<b>Further Information:</b> David Wampler, Air Division, EPA Region IX, San Francisco, CA, 415-972-3975	
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## 6. CAA

<p>NESHAP for Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers and Process Heaters</p>	<p><b>Date:</b> 2/26/2004</p>
<p><b>Action Type:</b> Final Rule</p>	<p><b>Cite:</b> EPA Website</p>
<p><b>Summary:</b>            In advance of publication, EPA has posted the final national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP) for industrial, commercial, and institutional boilers and process heaters. Definitions in the rule include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Process heater means an enclosed device using controlled flame, that is not a boiler, and the unit's primary purpose is to transfer heat indirectly to a process material (liquid, gas, or solid) or to heat a transfer material for use in a process unit, instead of generating steam. Process heaters are devices in which the combustion gases do not directly come into contact with process materials. Process heaters do not include units used for comfort heat or space heat, food preparation for on-site consumption, or autoclaves.</li> <li>- Boiler means an enclosed device using controlled flame combustion and having the primary purpose of recovering thermal energy in the form of steam or hot water. Waste heat boilers are excluded from the definition of boiler. A waste heat boiler (or heat recovery steam generator) means a device, without controlled flame combustion, that recovers normally unused energy and converts it to usable heat. Waste heat boilers incorporating duct or supplemental burners that are designed to supply 50 percent or more of the total rated heat input capacity of the waste heat boiler are considered boilers and not waste heat boilers. Emissions from a combustion unit with a waste heat boiler are regulated by the applicable standards for the particular type of combustion unit. For example, emissions from a commercial or industrial solid waste incineration unit, or other incineration unit with a waste heat boiler are regulated by standards established under section 129 of the CAA.</li> <li>- A hot water heater is a closed vessel, with a capacity of no more than 120 U.S. gallons, in which water is heated by combustion of gaseous or liquid fuel and is withdrawn for use external to the vessel at pressures not exceeding 160 pounds per square inch gauge and water temperatures not exceeding 210 degree Fahrenheit (99 degrees Celsius).</li> <li>- A temporary boiler is any gaseous or liquid fuel-fired boiler that is designed, and is capable of being carried or moved from one location to another, and remains at any one location for less than 180 consecutive days.</li> </ul> <p>Hot water heaters and temporary boilers are not regulated under the final rule</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>            Provided for information only.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b></p>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>            Jim Eddinger, Emission Standards Division, EPA, Research Triangle Park, NC, (919) 541-5426, <a href="mailto:eddinge.jim@epa.gov">eddinge.jim@epa.gov</a>.</p>	
<p><b>Full Text Document Location:</b>  <a href="http://www.epa.gov/airlinks/boilersfinalrule.pdf">http://www.epa.gov/airlinks/boilersfinalrule.pdf</a></p>	

## 7. CAA

Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for NESAHAP for Stationary Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines	<b>Date:</b> 2/26/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Final Rule	<b>Cite:</b> EPA Website
<p><b>Summary:</b>            In advance of publication, EPA has posted the final national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP) for stationary reciprocating internal combustion engines (RICE) rated above 500 horsepower and located at major hazardous air pollutant sources (HAP).</p> <p>The rule includes specific requirements for all new or reconstructed stationary RICE and for existing spark ignition 4 stroke rich burn (4SRB) stationary RICE located at a major source of HAP emissions. New or reconstructed stationary RICE which operate exclusively as emergency or limited use units are subject only to initial notification requirements. New or reconstructed stationary RICE which combust landfill gas or digester gas equivalent to 10 percent or more of the gross heat input on an annual basis are subject only to initial notification requirements and to monitoring, recording, and reporting of fuel usage requirements.</p> <p>With the exception of existing spark ignition 4SRB stationary RICE, other types of existing stationary RICE are not subject to any specific requirement under the final rule. Also, the final rule does not apply to test cells/stands that are covered by another NESHAP.</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>            Provided for information only.</p>	<b>CFR References:</b>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>            Sims Roy, Emission Standards Division, EPA, Research Triangle Park, NC (919-541-5263, <a href="mailto:roy.sims@epa.gov">roy.sims@epa.gov</a>).</p>	
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## 8. **CBR and Security**

National Drinking Water Advisory Council; Request for Water Security Working Group Nominations	<b>Date:</b> 2/27/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Notice	<b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 9312
<p><b>Summary:</b>  EPA's National Drinking Water Advisory Council (NDWAC) is forming the Water Security Working Group (WSWG), and invites nominations for a one-year term on the WSWG. The NDWAC is developing voluntary best security practices and policies for drinking water and wastewater facilities</p> <p>The WSWG is to provide recommendations to the full NDWAC that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- identify, compile, and characterize best security practices and provide an approach for considering and adopting these practices and policies at a utility level;</li> <li>- consider mechanisms to provide recognition and incentives that facilitate a broad and receptive response among the water sector to implement these best security practices;</li> <li>- consider mechanisms to measure the extent of implementation of these best security practices and policies, identify the impediments of their implementation.</li> </ul> <p>Nominations are due March 29, 2004.</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>  Provided for information only.</p>	<b>CFR References:</b>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>  Marc Santora, Water Security Division, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, EPA, Washington, DC, 202-564-1597,  <a href="mailto:santora.marc@epa.gov">santora.marc@epa.gov</a></p>	
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## 9. *Climate Change And Energy*

First Draft of ENERGY STAR External Power Supply Specification	<b>Date:</b> 2/23/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Notice	<b>Cite:</b> EPA New Releases
<p><b>Summary:</b>  EPA has released their first draft ENERGY STAR specification for single voltage external ac-dc power supplies. When final, this specification will apply to existing ENERGY STAR product categories such as consumer electronics and office equipment, as well as other applicable non-ENERGY STAR product categories. The power supplies are typically used with a wide range of consumer products (i.e. cell phone and PDA rechargers, cordless phones, computers, and gaming equipment).</p> <p>EPA is currently working with the power supply industry and other stakeholders to encourage the design and manufacture of more efficient internal and external ac-dc power supplies. The first phase of EPA's strategy is to focus on external power supplies given their vast numbers, low average efficiencies, and fewer technical challenges.</p> <p>EPA estimates that in the U.S., the total value of electricity consumed by external and internal power supplies is worth about \$17 billion/year (about six percent of the national electric bill). More efficient designs could save an estimated 15 to 20 percent of that energy (about \$3 billion/year).</p> <p>More information is available at:  <a href="http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=prod_development.power_supplies">http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=prod_development.power_supplies</a>.</p>	
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## 10. *Natural and Cultural Resources*

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removing the Mariana Mallard and the Guam Broadbill From the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife	<b>Date:</b> 2/23/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Final Rule	<b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 8116
<p><b>Summary:</b> The Fish and Wildlife Service is removing the Mariana mallard (<i>Anas platyrhynchos oustaleti</i>) and the Guam broadbill (<i>Myiagra freycineti</i>) from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife. All available information indicates that these species are extinct.</p> <p>The Mariana mallard was endemic to the Mariana Archipelago and documented to have occurred on the islands of Guam, Tinian, and Saipan. The Mariana mallard was listed as endangered on June 2, 1977, because its population was critically low due to excessive hunting and loss of wetland habitat. No confirmed sightings of the Mariana mallard have been made since 1979.</p> <p>The Guam broadbill was endemic to the island of Guam. The Guam broadbill was listed as endangered on August 27, 1984, because of its critically low population. The last sightings of this species took place in 1984, one in March in the Northwest Field on Andersen Air Force Base, and one in August adjacent to the Navy golf course in Barrigada. Since 1984, annual spring bird surveys and other ornithological activities in areas where this species would likely occur have yielded no observations.</p> <p>This final rule removes the Federal protection provided by the Act for the Guam broadbill and Mariana mallard but does not alter or supersede their designation by the government of Guam as endangered species. This rule is effective February 23, 2004.</p>	
<b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b> Provided for information only.	<b>CFR References:</b>
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## 11. NEPA

Draft Environmental Assessment For Disposal of Nines James River Reserve Fleet Vessels	<b>Date:</b> 2/27/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Notice	<b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 9422
<p><b>Summary:</b>            Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration is releasing the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the transfer and disposal of nine obsolete vessels from the James River Reserve Fleet to the Able UK facility located in Teeside, United Kingdom.</p> <p>The EA studied potential environmental effects associated with the transfer of the obsolete vessels for disposal, and considered effects to the natural and manmade environments including: air quality; water quality; geology and soils; coastal resources; terrestrial resources; aquatic resources; navigation; hazardous materials; cultural and historic resources; visual and aesthetic resources associated with the proposed action.</p> <p>Comments on this EA are due March 29, 2004.</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>            Provided for information only.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b></p>
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## 12. NEPA

Policies and Responsibilities for Implementation of NEPA Within the Department of the Navy	<b>Date:</b> 2/23/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Final Rule	<b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 8108
<p><b>Summary:</b>            The Navy has revised portions of its internal regulations that establish the responsibilities and procedures for complying with NEPA.</p> <p>Significant changes in these revisions include: revision of and additions to the Navy list of approved categories of actions excluded (CATEXed) from further documentation under NEPA; revised criteria for disallowing the application of listed CATEXs; and assignment of responsibilities to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition), the General Counsel of the Navy, and the Judge Advocate General of the Navy.</p> <p>SECNAVINST 5090.6, "Evaluation Of Environmental Effects From Department Of The Navy Actions" has been revised and should soon be released.</p> <p>This final rule is effective February 23, 2004.</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>            Provided for information only.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b>            32 CFR 775</p>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>            Thomas Egeland, Installations and Environment, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Washington, DC, 703- 614-5913</p>	
<p><b>Full Text Document Location:</b>  <a href="http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3590.htm">http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3590.htm</a>  <a href="http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/pdf/04-3590.pdf">http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/pdf/04-3590.pdf</a></p>	

### 13. OSHA

Announcement of Stakeholder Meetings for Hearing Conservation Program for Construction Workers	<b>Date:</b> 2/24/2004
<b>Action Type:</b> Meeting Announcement	<b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 8352
<b>Summary:</b> OSHA will hold an informal meeting on March 24-25, 2004 in Rosemont, IL to discuss a Hearing Conservation Program for Construction Workers.  Subject for discussion include: - noise exposure monitoring; - audiometric testing; - portability of records for workers in the construction industry with significant noise exposures.  As many as 750,000 construction workers are currently exposed to noise levels of 85 dBA or greater at work. The largest number of excessive noise exposures occur in the areas of concrete, carpentry and road construction.	
<b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b> Provided for information only.	<b>CFR References:</b> 29 CFR 1926
<b>Further Information:</b> Michael Seymour, Office of Physical Hazards, Directorate of Health Standards, OSHA, Washington, DC, 202-693- 1950	
<b>Full Text Document Location:</b> <a href="http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3857.htm">http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3857.htm</a> <a href="http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/pdf/04-3857.pdf">http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/pdf/04-3857.pdf</a>	

**14. RCRA**

<p>Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste: Conditional Exclusions From Hazardous Waste and Solid Waste for Solvent-Contaminated Industrial Wipes; Notice of Public Hearing</p>	<p><b>Date:</b> 2/24/2004</p>
<p><b>Action Type:</b> Notice, Comment Extension</p>	<p><b>Cite:</b> 69 FR 8353</p>
<p><b>Summary:</b>  EPA will hold a public hearing on March 9, 2004 in Washington, DC on the proposed rule entitled "Proposed Conditional Exclusions from Hazardous and Solid Waste for Solvent-Contaminated Industrial Wipes," which appeared in the Federal Register on November 20, 2003 (68 FR 65586). The public comment period previously extended to March 19, 2004 has now been extended to April 9, 2004.</p> <p>EPA proposed a conditional exclusion from the definition of solid waste for industrial wipes that are contaminated with solvent and that are sent to laundries or dry cleaners for cleaning and reuse. EPA also proposed a conditional exclusion from the definition of hazardous waste for industrial wipes that are contaminated with solvent and are disposed.</p>	
<p><b>Potential Impact or Relevance:</b>  Provided for information only.</p>	<p><b>CFR References:</b></p>
<p><b>Further Information:</b>  Kathy Blanton, 703-605-0761, <a href="mailto:blanton.katherine@epa.gov">blanton.katherine@epa.gov</a></p>	
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## Upcoming Meetings

### General

#### National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3933.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Washington, DC	3/11/2004	8:30 AM	2 Days	

### CAA

#### Clean Air Act Advisory Committee

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3365.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Washington, DC	3/23/2004	9:30 AM	1 Day	
Washington, DC	3/24/2004	8:30 AM	1 Day	

### Climate Change And Energy

#### Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-2967.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Arlington, VA	3/11/2004	8:30 AM	1 Day	

### Natural and Cultural Resources

#### Gulf of Mexico Program Policy Review Board Meeting and Management Committee

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3453.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
New Orleans, LA	3/18/2004	8:30 AM	1 Day	

### NEPA

#### EIS for a Marine Container Terminal at the Charleston Naval Complex, Charleston County, SC

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3609.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
North Charleston, SC	3/16/2004	6:00 PM	1 Day	
Charleston, SC	3/22/2004	1:30 PM	1 Day	

## OSHA

### Safety Standards for Cranes and Derricks

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3183.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Washington, DC	3/3/2004	8:30 AM	3 Days	
Washington, DC	3/29/2004	8:30 AM	3 Days	

### Announcement of Stakeholder Meetings for Hearing Conservation Program for Construction Workers

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3857.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Rosemont, IL	3/24/2004	8:30 AM	2 Days	

### Maritime Advisory Committee for Occupational Safety and Health

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3213.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Washington, DC	3/2/2004	8:00 AM	3 Days	

## RCRA

### Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste: Conditional Exclusions From Hazardous Waste and Solid Waste for Solvent-Contaminated Industrial Wipes; Notice of Public Hearing

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3934.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Washington, DC	3/9/2004	9:30 AM	1 Day	

## SDWA

### Stage 1 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule Training

Full Text

<http://www.epa.gov/safewater/dwa/satellite.html>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
satellite broadcast,	5/18/2004		1/2 Day	

## TSCA

### Advisory Committee on Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention

Full Text

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/05jan20040800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-42.htm>

Location	Start Date	Start Time	Duration	Details
Baltimore, MD	3/9/2004	8:30 AM	2 Days	