

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-ORD-2008-0200; FRL-8729-9]

Board of Scientific Counselors, Water Quality Mid-Cycle Subcommittee Meeting—2008

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Research and Development (ORD), gives notice of a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) Water Quality Mid-Cycle Subcommittee.

DATES: The meetings (teleconference calls) will be held on Monday, November 3, 2008 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. The meeting may adjourn early if all business is finished. Requests for the draft agenda or for making an oral presentation at the conference calls will be accepted up to one business day before the meeting.

ADDRESSES: Participation in the meeting will be by teleconference only—a meeting room will not be used. Members of the public may obtain the call-in number and access code for the call from Susan Peterson, the Designated Federal Officer, whose contact information is listed under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2008-0200, by one of the following methods:

- *www.regulations.gov*: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- *E-mail*: Send comments by electronic mail (e-mail) to: *ORD.Docket@epa.gov*, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2008-0200.
- *Fax*: *Fax comments to*: (202) 566-0224, Attention Docket ID) No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2008-0200.
- *Mail*: *Send comments by mail to*: Board of Scientific Counselors, Water Quality Mid-Cycle Subcommittee—2008 Docket, *Mailcode*: 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC, 20460, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2008-0200.
- *Hand Delivery or Courier*: Deliver comments to: EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), Room B102, EPA West Building, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2008-0200. **Note**: This is not a mailing address. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket's normal hours of operation, and

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Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2008-0200. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at *www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through *www.regulations.gov* or e-mail. The *www.regulations.gov* Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through *www.regulations.gov*, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at *http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm*.

Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the *www.regulations.gov* index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in *www.regulations.gov* or in hard copy at the Board of Scientific Counselors, Water Quality Mid-Cycle Subcommittee—2008 Docket, EPA/DC, EPA West, Room B 102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the ORD Docket is (202) 566-1752.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Designated Federal Officer via mail at: Susan Peterson, Mail Code 8104-R, Office of Science Policy, Office of Research and Development, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; via phone/voice mail at: (202) 564-1077; via fax at: (202) 565-2911; or via e-mail at: *peterson.susan@epa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

General Information

Proposed agenda items for the meeting include, but are not limited to, a discussion of the finalization and approval of a draft report by the subcommittee, based on its rating of the water quality research program performance and overall progress. The conference calls are open to the public.

Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Susan Peterson at (202) 564-1077 or *peterson.susan@epa.gov*. To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Susan Peterson, preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: October 8, 2008.

Fred Hauchman,

Director, Office of Science Policy.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Notice of Agency Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that at 6:12 p.m. on Monday, October 13, 2008, the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation met in closed session to consider matters relating to the Corporation's Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program and to full insurance of non-interest bearing deposit transaction accounts.

In calling the meeting, the Board determined, on motion of Director John C. Dugan (Director, Comptroller of the Currency), seconded by Director Thomas J. Curry (Appointive), and concurred in by Vice Chairman Martin J. Gruenberg, Director John M. Reich (Director, Office of Thrift Supervision), and Chairman Sheila C. Bair, that Corporation business required its consideration of the matters which were to be the subject of this meeting on less

than seven days' notice to the public; that no earlier notice of the meeting was practicable; that the public interest did not require consideration of the matters in a meeting open to public observation; and that the matters could be considered in a closed meeting by authority of subsections (c)(4), (c)(8), and (c)(9)(B) of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4), (c)(8), and (c)(9)(B)).

The meeting was held in the Board Room of the FDIC Building located at 550 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Dated: October 14, 2008.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Robert E. Feldman,

Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Notice of Change in Subject Matter of Agency Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of subsection (e)(2) of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(2)), notice is hereby given that at its open meeting held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 7, 2008, the Corporation's Board of Directors determined, on motion of Vice Chairman Martin J. Gruenberg, seconded by Director Thomas J. Curry (Appointive), concurred in by Director John M. Reich (Director, Office of Thrift Supervision), Director John C. Dugan (Comptroller of the Currency), and Chairman Sheila C. Bair, that Corporation business required the addition to the agenda for consideration at the meeting, on less than seven days' notice to the public, of the following matter:

Memorandum and resolution re: Interagency Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Capital Treatment of Certain Claims on or Guaranteed by, the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac).

The Board further determined, by the same majority vote, that no notice earlier than October 2, 2008, of the change in the subject matter of the meeting was practicable.

Dated: October 14, 2008.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Robert E. Feldman,

Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Notices

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, October 21, 2008 at 10 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: This meeting will be closed to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g. Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g, 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C. Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration. Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

Mr. Robert Biersack, Press Officer,
Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

Mary W. Dove,

Secretary of the Commission.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals To Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or To Acquire Companies That Are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225) to engage *de novo*, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated

or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than November 3, 2008.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

(Kenneth Binning, Vice President, Applications and Enforcement) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *NHB Holdings, Inc. and Proficio Mortgage Ventures, LLC*, both of Jacksonville, Florida, to engage *de novo* in a joint venture with Home Avenue Mortgage, Clearwater, Florida, in conducting mortgage banking activities, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(1) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, October 14, 2008.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Declaration Under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act

October 10, 2008.

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary (OS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Declaration pursuant to section 319F-3 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d-6d) to provide targeted liability protections for pandemic countermeasures based on a credible risk that an avian influenza virus spreads and evolves into a strain capable of causing a pandemic of human influenza.

DATES: This notice and the attached declaration are effective as of the date of signature of the declaration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: RADM W.C. Vanderwagen, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201, Telephone (202) 205-2882 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Highly pathogenic avian influenza A viruses have been spread by infected migratory birds and exports of poultry or poultry products from Asia through Europe and Africa since 2004, and could be spread into North America in 2008 or later, and have caused disease in humans with an associated high case fatality. Section