

ACTION: Notice of Meetings, Open to the Public, of the Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual Work Group

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing that the Department of Defense, Department of Energy, Environmental Protection Agency, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission are meeting to discuss the joint Federal guidance for standardized and consistent approaches to accomplish structural and environmental radiation surveys, the "Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual (MARSSIM)". Relevant information will be provided to the group by other persons present.

Meetings of the group are open to the public on a first come, space available basis with advance registration. During the next meeting, representatives of the agencies will discuss: strategic planning, updates to the manual, software development, model interface, surveys for release and clearance of materials and equipment, and the schedule of future meetings. In addition, time will be set aside for members of the public to make a brief oral presentation at the next meeting. In general, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to five minutes per speaker and no more than one hour total. Written comments may also be presented. The group expects that public statements presented will not be repetitive of previously submitted written statements. The group expects to receive statements for consideration only, and there will not necessarily be any further discussion on or about the statements by the group.

DATES, ADDRESS, AND REGISTRATION:

A meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7, 2000 from 8:30 am until about 5:00 p.m and Friday, September 8, 2000 from 8:30 am until about 3:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 11555 Rockville Pike, Two White Flint North Building, Rockville, MD in Room T10-A1. Persons wishing to attend this meeting should call Juanda Fletcher at (301) 415-6238 to register. Persons wishing to make oral statements should contact Colleen Petullo at the address or telephone number provided below no later than September 1, 2000, in order to have time reserved on the agenda.

A future meeting has not been scheduled. The schedule, location, and registration information for future meetings may be found on the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Public Meeting Announcement System electronic bulletin board via computer and modem at (800) 952-9676 or on a voice recording at (800) 952-9674. The information for future meetings will also be posted on the Internet World Wide Web at: www.epa.gov/radiation/marssim/, at www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/meet.html, and at <http://techconf.llnl.gov>. The MARSSIM document is available through the Government Printing Office and through the Internet at www.epa.gov/radiation/cleanup/

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Persons needing further information concerning this group and the work of developing the Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual should contact CDR Colleen Petullo, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency/R&IE/U. S. Public Health Service, PO Box 98517, Las Vegas, NV 89193-8517, (702) 798-2476 or by FAX at (702) 798-2465.