

Representative test analyzers have been tested in accordance with the applicable test procedures specified in 40 CFR part 53, as amended on October 26, 2015. After reviewing the results of those tests and other information submitted by the applicants, EPA has determined, in accordance with 40 CFR part 53, that these methods should be designated as a reference or equivalent method.

As a designated reference or equivalent method, these methods are 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, each 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 or operational settings) specified in the designated method description (see the identification of the method above).

Use of the method also should be in general accordance with the guidance and recommendations of applicable sections of the "Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume I," EPA/600/R-94/038a and "Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume II, Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Program," EPA-454/B-13-003, (both available at <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/amtic/qalist.html>). Provisions concerning modification of such methods by users are specified under Section 2.8 (Modifications of Methods by Users) of Appendix C to 40 CFR part 58.

Consistent or repeated noncompliance with any of these conditions should be reported to: Director, Air Methods and Characterization Division (MD-D205-03), Center for Environmental Measurements and Modeling, 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 the methods should be directed to the applicants.

Timothy Watkins,

Director, Center for Environmental Measurements and Modeling.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC): Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Request for Nominations to the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC).

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites nominations from a diverse range of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment to its Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC). Vacancies are anticipated to be filled by August 2021 and applications are due by April 30, 2021. Sources in addition to this **Federal Register** Notice may also be utilized in the solicitation of nominees.

DATES: Applications are due by April 30, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Submit nominations in writing to: Shanika Whitehurst, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460.

For further information or to email nominations, include in the subject line CAAAC Membership 2021 and send to caaac@epa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shanika Whitehurst, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460, 202-564-8235, whitehurst.shanika@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: Clean Air Act Advisory Committee provides advice, information and recommendations on policy and technical issues associated with implementation of the Clean Air Act (CAA) as requested by EPA. These issues include the development, implementation, and enforcement of programs required by the Act. The CAAAC will provide advice and recommendations on approaches for new and expanded programs including those using innovative technologies and policy mechanisms to achieve environmental improvements; the potential health, environmental and economic effects of CAA programs on the public, the regulated community, State and local governments, and other Federal agencies; the policy and technical contents of proposed major EPA rulemaking and guidance required

by the Act in order to help effectively incorporate appropriate outside advice and information; and the integration of existing policies, regulations, standards, guidelines, and procedures into programs for implementing requirements of the Act.

The programs falling under the purview of the committee include, but are not limited to, those for meeting National Ambient Air Quality Standards, reducing emissions from vehicles and vehicle fuels, reducing air toxic emissions, permitting, carrying out compliance authorities, and CAA-related voluntary activities. Members are appointed by the EPA Administrator for two-year terms with the possibility of reappointment to additional term(s). The CAAAC usually meets approximately 2 times annually and the average workload for the members is approximately 5 to 10 hours per month.

Although EPA is unable to offer compensation or an honorarium for CAAAC members, they may receive travel and per diem allowances, according to applicable federal travel regulations. EPA is seeking nominations from academia, industry, non-governmental/environmental organizations, community organizations, state and local government agencies, tribal governments, unions, trade associations, utilities, and lawyers/consultants. EPA values and welcomes diversity. In an effort to obtain nominations of diverse candidates, EPA encourages nominations of women and men of all racial and ethnic groups.

Evaluation Criteria

The following criteria will be used to evaluate nominees:

- The background and experiences that would help members contribute to the diversity of perspectives on the committee (e.g., geographic, economic, social, cultural, educational, and other considerations)
- Experience serving as an elected official;
- Experience serving as an appointed official for a state, county, city or tribe;
- Experience working on national level or on local government issues;
- Demonstrated experience with air quality policy issues;
- Executive management level experience with membership in broad-based networks;
- Excellent interpersonal, oral and written communication, and consensus-building skills.
- Ability to volunteer time to attend meetings 2-3 times a year, participate in teleconference meetings, attend listening sessions with the

Administrator or other senior-level officials;

- Ability to work with others with varying perspectives to develop policy recommendations to the Administrator, and prepare reports and advice letters.

Nominations must include a resume and a short biography describing the professional and educational qualifications of the nominee, as well as the nominee's current business/home address, email address, and daytime telephone number. Interested candidates may self-nominate. All application items are due by April 30, 2021. Please note that EPA's policy is that, unless otherwise prescribed by statute, members generally are appointed to two-year terms. To help the Agency in evaluating the effectiveness of our outreach efforts, please also tell us how you learned of this opportunity.

Dated: February 26, 2021.

Shanika T. Whitehurst,

Designated Federal Officer, Clean Air Act Advisory Committee, Office of Air and Radiation.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

[Notice 2021-04]

Filing Dates for the Texas Special Election in the 6th Congressional District Special Election

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

ACTION: Notice of filing dates for special election.

SUMMARY: Texas has scheduled a Special General Election on May 1, 2021, to fill

its U.S. House of Representatives seat in the 6th Congressional District of the late Representative Ron Wright. There are two possible elections, but only one may be necessary. Under Texas law, all qualified candidates, regardless of party affiliation, will appear on the ballot. The majority winner of the special election is declared elected. Should no candidate achieve a majority vote, the Governor will then set the date for a Special Runoff Election that will include only the top two vote-getters. Committees participating in the Texas special election are required to file pre- and post-election reports.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Elizabeth S. Kurland, Information Division, 1050 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20463; Telephone: (202) 694-1100; Toll Free (800) 424-9530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Principal Campaign Committees

All principal campaign committees of candidates who participate in the Texas Special General Election shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on April 19, 2021. If there is a majority winner, committees must also file a Post-General Report on May 31, 2021. (See charts below for the closing date for each report.)

Note that these reports are in addition to the campaign committee's regular quarterly filings. (See charts below for the closing date for each report.)

Unauthorized Committees (PACs and Party Committees)

Political committees not filing monthly in 2021 are subject to special election reporting if they make

previously undisclosed contributions or expenditures in connection with the Texas Special General by the close of books for the applicable report(s). (See charts below for the closing date for each report.)

Committees filing monthly that make contributions or expenditures in connection with the Texas Special General will continue to file according to the monthly reporting schedule.

Additional disclosure information for the Texas special elections may be found on the FEC website at <https://www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/dates-and-deadlines/>.

Possible Special Runoff Election

In the event that no candidate receives a majority of the votes in the Special General Election, a Special Runoff Election will be held. The Commission will publish a future notice giving the filing dates for that election if it becomes necessary.

Disclosure of Lobbyist Bundling Activity

Principal campaign committees, party committees and leadership PACs that are otherwise required to file reports in connection with the special election must simultaneously file FEC Form 3L if they receive two or more bundled contributions from lobbyists/registrants or lobbyist/registant PACs that aggregate in excess of \$19,300 during the special election reporting period. (See charts below for closing date of each period.) 11 CFR 104.22(a)(5)(v), (b), 110.17(e)(2), (f).

CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR TEXAS SPECIAL ELECTION

Report	Close of books ¹	Reg./cert. & overnight mailing deadline	Filing deadline
IF ONLY THE SPECIAL GENERAL IS HELD (05/01/2021), CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES INVOLVED MUST FILE			
April Quarterly	—WAIVED—		
Pre-General	04/11/2021	04/16/2021	04/19/2021
Post-General	05/21/2021	05/31/2021	² 05/31/2021
July Quarterly	06/30/2021	07/15/2021	07/15/2021
IF ONLY THE SPECIAL GENERAL (05/01/2021) IS HELD, PACs AND PARTY COMMITTEES NOT FILING MONTHLY INVOLVED MUST FILE			
Pre-General	04/11/2021	04/16/2021	04/19/2021
Post-General	05/21/2021	05/31/2021	² 05/31/2021
Mid-Year	06/30/2021	07/31/2021	² 07/31/2021
IF TWO ELECTIONS ARE HELD, CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES INVOLVED ONLY IN THE SPECIAL GENERAL (05/01/2021) MUST FILE			
April Quarterly	—WAIVED—		
Pre-General	04/11/2021	04/16/2021	04/19/2021