

Commission solicits written comments concerning the petition.

DATES: The Office of the Secretary must receive comments on the petition by December 17, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments, preferably in five copies, on the petition should be mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207, telephone (301) 504-0800, or delivered to the Office of the Secretary, Room 501, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814. Comments may also be filed by telefacsimile to (301) 504-0127 or by email to cpsc-os@cpsc.gov. Comments should be captioned "Petition CP-02-4/HP-02-1, Petition on ATVs." A copy of the petition is available for inspection at the Commission's Public Reading Room, Room 419, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rockelle Hammond, Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504-0800, ext. 1232.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission has received correspondence from Consumer Federation of America ("CFA") and other groups¹ requesting that the Commission take several actions concerning all-terrain vehicles ("ATVs"). The Commission is docketing their request for a ban of the sale of adult-size four wheel ATVs sold for the use of children under 16 as a petition under the Consumer Product Safety Act, 15 U.S.C. 2057, and the Federal Hazardous Substances Act, 15 U.S.C. 1261(q)(1)(A). The petitioners assert that ATVs pose an unreasonable risk of injury and death to children. They cite Commission data that between 1982 and 2001 there were reports of 4,541 ATV-related deaths, and that 1,714 (or 38%) of those deaths were children under 16 years old. They also note that in the year 2001, there were 111,700 people taken to emergency rooms for ATV-related injuries, of which 34,800 were under 16 years old. They argue that there is no feasible standard that would address the risks ATVs pose to children.

Interested parties may obtain a copy of the petition by writing or calling the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504-0800. Copies of the petition are also

available for inspection from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the Commission's Public Reading Room, Room 419, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

Dated: October 10, 2002.

Todd Stevenson,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

[FR Doc. 02-26458 Filed 10-17-02; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6355-01-P

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: Thursday, October 24, 2002, 10 a.m.

LOCATION: Room 420, East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Petition HP 99-1 Polyvinyl Chloride (PV)

The staff will brief the Commission on Petition HP 99-1 requesting a ban of polyvinyl chloride (PVC) in all toys and other products intended for children five years of age and under.

For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-0709.

CONTACT PERSON FOR ADDITIONAL

INFORMATION: Todd A. Stevenson, Office of the Secretary, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20207 (301) 504-0800.

Dated: October 15, 2002.

Todd A. Stevenson,

Secretary.

[FR Doc. 02-26730 Filed 10-16-02; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6355-01-M

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Aircraft Conversion at Martinsburg, WV

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 United States Code 4321, *et seq.*), the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA (40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) parts 1500-1508), and Air Force policy and procedures (32 CFR part 989), This announcement provides notice that the

Air Force proposes a conversion of C-130 aircraft to C-5 aircraft along with associated actions to meet strategic airlift requirements of the U.S. Air Force and Air National Guard. This action requires a unique mix of facilities and support capabilities associated with the C-5, the largest cargo aircraft in the Department of Defense inventory. The eventual receiving location would maintain and operate an inventory of 10 C-5 aircraft.

The Air National Guard is preparing an EIS to assess potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed conversion from C-130 to C-5 aircraft at the 167th Airlift Wing (167 AW), Martinsburg, WV. The 167th AW action would consist of three primary components: (1) Conversion from C-130 to C-5 aircraft; (2) acquisition of land through lease; from the Eastern West Virginia Airport and (3) construction of both ANG and the Eastern West Virginia Regional Airport facilities on existing and acquired parcels. The EIS will address alternatives to the proposed action, including alternative facilities development scenarios, reduced airfield expansion, and the No Action Alternative.

The ANG will initiate a public scoping process to facilitate identification of the relevant scope of environmental issues to be addressed in the EIS. The public will be invited to participate in scoping meetings and review the Draft EIS. Notification of the meeting locations and time will be made in the local area and will be announced via local news media. Information gathered during the public scoping will be used in the development of the Draft EIS.

For Further Information Contact: ANG/CEVP, Martinsburg EIS, Attention: Lt Col TJ Mitnik, 3500 Fetchet Avenue, Andrews Air Force Base, MD 20762.

Pamela D. Fitzgerald,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

[FR Doc. 02-26604 Filed 10-17-02; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 5001-05-P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee under the Biomass Research

¹ The other groups are the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Emergency Physicians, Bluewater Network, the Center for Injury Research and Policy, the Danny Foundation for Crib and Child Product Safety, Kids in Danger, National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses, and U.S. PIRG.