

**Appendix C: Testing Reference Documents**

The following references provide information on approved methods for testing hazardous waste samples:

- American Public Health Association, *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater, 17th Edition*. 1989. Available from the Water Pollution Control Federation, Washington, D.C., #S0037.
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, *Design and Development of a Hazardous Waste Reactivity Testing Protocol*. EPA Document No. 600/2-84-057, February 1984.
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, *Methods for Chemical Analysis of Water and Waste*. EPA-600/114-79-020. Washington, D.C., 1983.
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, *Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods*. SW-846. Third Edition (1986) as amended. Available from the Government Printing Office, by subscription, 955-001-00000-1, or from the National Technical Information Service, PB88-239-223. Washington, D.C., January, 1995.
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, *The New Toxicity Characteristic Rule: Information and Tips for Generators*. Office of Solid Waste, 530/SW-90-028, April, 1990.
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, ORD, and U.S. Department of Energy, *Characterizing Heterogenous Wastes: Methods and Recommendations*. EPA/600/R-92/033, February 1992.
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response. "Joint EPA/NRC Guidance on the Definition and Identification of Commercial Mixed Low-Level Radioactive and Hazardous Waste," Directive No. 9432-00-2, October 4, 1989.

**Appendix D: List of Regulations**

- Environmental Protection Agency General Regulations for Hazardous Waste Management, 40 CFR Part 260.
- Environmental Protection Agency Regulations for Identifying Hazardous Waste, 40 CFR Part 261.
- Environmental Protection Agency Regulations for Hazardous Waste Generators, 40 CFR Part 262.
- Environmental Protection Agency Standards for Owners and Operators of Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facilities, 40 CFR Part 264.
- Environmental Protection Agency Interim Status Standards for Owners and Operators of Hazardous Waste Facilities, 40 CFR Part 265.
- Environmental Protection Agency Regulations on Land Disposal Restrictions, 40 CFR Part 268.
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regulations—Standards for Protection Against Radiation, 10 CFR Part 20.
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regulations—Rules of General Applicability to Domestic Licensing of Byproduct Material, 10 CFR Part 30.

- Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regulations—Domestic Licensing of Source Material, 10 CFR Part 40.
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regulations—Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities, 10 CFR Part 50.
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regulations—Licensing Requirements for Land Disposal of Radioactive Waste, 10 CFR Part 61.
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regulations—Domestic Licensing of Special Nuclear Material, 10 CFR Part 70.

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**PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION TRANSITION OFFICE**
**Advisory Committee for the President's Commission on Critical Infrastructure Protection; Meeting**

*Time & Date:* 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 3, 1997.

*Action:* Notice of Meeting.

*Summary:* Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub.L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is hereby given for the second meeting of the Advisory Committee on the President's Commission on Critical Infrastructure Protection.

*Address:* The Madison Hotel, 15th and M St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20005. Public seating is limited and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. This facility is accessible to persons with disabilities.

*For Further Information Contact:* Carla Sims, Public Affairs Officer, (703) 696-9395, comments@pccip.gov. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised to contact the Virginia Relay Center (Text Telephone (800) 828-1120 or Voice (800) 828-1140), or their local relay system.

*Supplementary Information:* The Advisory Committee was established by the President to provide expert advice to the Commission as it developed a comprehensive national policy and implementation strategy for protecting the nation's critical infrastructures. The Committee is co-chaired by the Honorable Jamie Gorelick, Vice Chair of Fannie Mae, and the Honorable Sam Nunn, Partner with the law firm of King & Spaulding. The Committee currently consists of 14 members representing various industry sectors.

*Purpose of the Meeting:* This is the second advisory meeting of the Committee. The Committee will review and discuss the recommendations contained in the Commission's report to the President, "Critical Foundations: Protecting America's Infrastructure's."

*Tentative Agenda:* The Advisory Committee meeting will review and discuss

the recommendations contained in the Commission's report. The unclassified report is available electronically from the Commission's site on the World Wide Web (<http://www.pccip.gov/>).

*Public Participation:* The morning session of the meeting will be open to the public. Written comments may be filed with the Commission after the meeting. Written comments may be given to the Designated Federal Officer after the conclusion of the open meeting; mailed to the Commission at P.O. Box 46258, Washington, D.C. 20050-6258; or emailed to comments@pccip.gov/.

*Closed Meeting Deliberations:* In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463 [5 U.S.C. App II, (1982)], it has been determined that the afternoon session concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b (c)(1)(1982). Therefore, the afternoon meeting will be closed to the public in order for the committee to discuss classified material.

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**OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**
**Notice of Meeting of the Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations**

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice that the December 4, 1997, meeting of the Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The meeting will be closed to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and open to the public from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**SUMMARY:** The Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiation will hold a meeting on December 4, 1997 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The meeting will be closed to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The meeting will include a review and discussion of current issues which influence U.S. trade policy. Pursuant to Section 2155(f)(2) of Title 19 of the United States Code, I have determined that this meeting will be concerned with matters the disclosure of which would seriously compromise the development by the United States Government of trade policy, priorities, negotiating objectives or bargaining positions with respect to the operation of any trade agreement and other matters arising in connection with the development, implementation and administration of the trade policy of the United States. The meeting will be open

to the public and press from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. when trade policy issues will be discussed. Attendance during this part of the meeting is for observation only. Individuals who are not members of the committee will not be invited to comment.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for December 4, 1997, unless otherwise notified.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Madison Hotel in the Executive Chambers, located at 15th and M Streets, Washington, D.C., unless otherwise notified.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bill Daley, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395-6120.

**Charlene Barshefsky,**

*United States Trade Representative.*

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

### Invitation for Comment on APEC Multilateral Negotiations Regarding a Mutual Recognition Agreement for Telecommunications Equipment

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC) is inviting interested persons to submit written comments with respect to the negotiation in the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) of a Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) on telecommunications equipment, and, in particular, with respect to the potential for such an agreement to remove important non-tariff barriers affecting trade in telecommunications and information technology products. Comments received will be considered by the Executive Branch in formulating U.S. positions and objectives for negotiation of such an MRA, in particular as part of the effort by the APEC Telecom Working Group's MRA Task Force to conclude the text of such an agreement by the June 1998 meeting of APEC Telecommunications Ministers.

**DATES:** Comments are due by noon, December 15, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, TPSC, ATTN: APEC Telecom MRA Comments, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, Room 503, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, D.C. 20508.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William Corbett, Office of Industry Affairs, USTR, (202-395-9586); or William Busis, Office of General Counsel, USTR (202-395-3150).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** APEC consists of eighteen member economies: Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong China, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and the United States. The APEC Telecommunications Working Group is a biannual forum in which telecommunications officials of APEC economies undertake cooperative endeavors to liberalize trade in telecommunications goods and services; to facilitate private sector interaction with telecommunications authorities on policy and business issues; to coordinate efforts to promote human resources development in the regional telecommunications industry; and to improve regional telecommunications infrastructure.

An MRA potentially would facilitate trade in a significant portion of telecommunications and information equipment goods among members of APEC, thereby enhancing the gains we can expect from the Information Technology Agreement. It would allow exporters to test ("phase one") and certify ("phase two") equipment to an importing economy's mandatory technical requirements. It is potentially a useful means to cope with ever-shortening product life cycles and to reduce the redundancy of steps necessary to satisfy importing countries' approval processes. The WTO Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade encourages members to enter into Mutual Recognition Agreements that "give mutual satisfaction regarding their potential for facilitating trade in the products concerned." An MRA does not require harmonization of mandatory technical requirements, albeit a possible future result of MRA processes is harmonization of conformity assessment and technical requirements, along with greater voluntary reliance on manufacturer's self-declarations, where this is not already the case.

### Background

At the 1995 Osaka APEC Leader's Meeting, Leaders agreed to develop and begin to implement, on a voluntary basis and by the end of 1997, a model mutual recognition arrangement for certification of telecommunications equipment to the mandatory technical regulations of importing economies. The APEC Telecommunications Working

Group (the "TEL WG") in September 1997 reached agreement on a voluntary framework for such MRAs. The TEL WG also reached agreement on improvements to the existing APEC guidelines for regional harmonization of equipment certification, which are referenced by the framework document.

Based on this work, a Telecom MRA Task Force subsequently met to initiate work on a Mutual Recognition Agreement and annexed Phase Agreements, producing a bracketed text for further consideration. The Task Force agreed that its goal would be to complete work on the texts of an APEC Telecommunications Mutual Recognition Agreement and annexed Phase Agreements by the third meeting of the APEC Telecommunications Ministers, scheduled for June 1-5, 1998 in Singapore.

The Telecom MRA Task Force has agreed that an MRA should cover any equipment that is subject to member economies' regulatory requirements for terminal attachment (wired and wireless) or other telecommunications regulation. For such equipment, an MRA should cover member economies' regulatory requirements for electromagnetic compatibility and product safety. The framework, improved guidelines and bracketed MRA text are available for inspection at the USTR reading room.

### Invitation for Comments

The interagency TPSC led by USTR is in the process of preparing negotiating positions for upcoming APEC Telecom MRA Task Force meetings. Interested U.S. persons are invited to submit comments, by noon, December 15, 1997, on what should be the U.S. goals and objectives for an APEC MRA on telecommunications equipment. We are requesting this advice pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2155.

Persons submitting written comments should provide a statement, in twenty copies, by noon, December 15, 1997, to Gloria Blue, Executive Secretary, TPSC, ATTN: APEC Telecom MRA Comments, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, Room 503, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, D.C. 20508. Non-confidential information received will be available for public inspection by appointment in the USTR Reading Room, Room 101, Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. For an appointment call Brenda Webb on 202-395-6186. Business confidential information will be subject to the requirements of 15 CFR 2003.6. Any business confidential material must be clearly marked as such on the cover letter or cover page and