

Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service

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under the circumstances, such as press release or letter. Responsibility for preparation of FEDERAL REGISTER and other appropriate notice shall be with the officer referred to in paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

(2) Notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER shall state all pertinent information related to a meeting and shall be published at least 7 days prior to a meeting.

(d) *Presence of agency officer or employee at meetings.* No committee shall meet without the presence of the officer referred to in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, or his delegate. At his option the officer or employee may elect to chair the meeting.

(e) *Minutes.* Detailed minutes shall be kept of all committee meetings and shall be certified by the chairman of the advisory committee as being accurate.

(f) *Adjournment.* The officer or employee referred to in paragraph (a)(1) of this section may adjourn a meeting at any time he determines it in the public interest to do so.

(g) *Public access to committee meetings.* All advisory committee meetings shall be open to the public, except when the Office of the General Counsel determines, in writing, and states his reasons therefor prior to FEDERAL REGISTER notice, that a meeting or any part thereof, is concerned with matters related to the exemptions provided in the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b). In such instances, those portions of a committee meeting which come within the section 552(b) exemptions may be closed to the public.

(h) *Public participation in committee procedures.* Interested persons shall be permitted to file statements with advisory committees. Subject to reasonable committee procedures, interested persons may also be permitted to make oral statements on matters germane to the subjects under consideration at the committee meeting.

§ 1430.9 Agency management of advisory committees.

Consistent with the other provisions of this part, the Service's advisory committee management officer shall:

(a) Exercise control and supervision over the establishment, procedures,

and accomplishments of advisory committees established by the Service;

(b) Assemble and maintain the reports, records, and other papers of advisory committees, during their existence;

(c) Carry out, with the concurrence of the Office of the General Counsel, the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, as those provisions apply to advisory committees;

(d) Have available for public inspection and copying all pertinent documents of advisory committees which are within the purview of the Freedom of Information Act; and

(e) When transcripts have been made of advisory committee meetings, provide for such transcripts to be made available to the public at actual cost of duplication, except where prohibited by contractual agreements entered into prior to January 5, 1973, the effective date of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

PART 1440—ARBITRATION OF PESTICIDE DATA DISPUTES

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APPENDIX TO PART 1440—FIFRA ARBITRATION RULES

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(a) Persons requesting the appointment of an arbitrator under section 3(c)(1)(D)(ii) and section 3(c)(2)(B)(iii) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. 136, as amended), shall send such requests in writing to the appropriate American Arbitration Association Regional Office. Such requests must include the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the parties to the dispute; issue(s) in dispute, the amount in dollars or any other remedy sought; sufficient facts to show that the statutory waiting period has passed, and the appropriate fee provided in the Fee Schedule.