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Public Input Period for Methods: February 8, 2024 to April 8, 2024 UCMR 6 Pre-proposal Webinar: Wednesday April 17 or Thursday April 18, 2024

Topics: (1) Request for public input on drinking water analytical methods for emerging contaminants in drinking water, particularly those on the agency's Fifth Contaminant Candidate List (CCL 5) and (2) a pre-proposal webinar to discuss potential approaches for developing the sixth Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR 6)

(1) Public Input Details: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) request public input on drinking water analytical methods for emerging contaminants in drinking water, particularly those listed on the agency's Fifth Contaminant Candidate List (CCL 5). This Federal Register Notice (FRN) describes published drinking water analytical methods and EPA drinking water methods currently in development for the CCL and other emerging contaminants. EPA invites public input on drinking water analytical methods for these contaminants. EPA will accept public input related to the FRN for 60 days after publication in the Federal Register. Comments must be received on or before April 8, 2024. Please refer to the FRN notice for more details about submitting comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2023-0469 using the Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov.

A summary of public input regarding drinking water analytical methods will be available after the webinar in the docket.

(2) Webinar Details: The EPA will be hosting two identical pre-proposal webinars on Wednesday, April 17 and Thursday, April 18, 2024, to discuss potential approaches for developing UCMR 6, including: the status of drinking water analytical methods; contaminants being considered; possible sampling design; laboratory approval; and other possible monitoring considerations. The agenda will allow for public questions and statements.

The webinar will be held on April 17, and again on April 18, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Participants can attend online via the webinar links, which will broadcast the discussion and presentations. The same material will be presented twice to accommodate the limited number of webinar connections available for the meeting each day.

To register for April 17th please use this link:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9172484874454969434

To register for April 18th please use this link:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4542600839076268125

After registering to attend the webinar, you will receive an email confirming your registration and email reminders as the date of the webinar approaches. To ensure that you successfully receive these emails, please add GoToWebinar.Notifications@citrixonline.com and UCMRWebinar@cadmusgroup.com to your "approved" or "safe senders" list. Questions regarding webinar registration should be emailed to UCMRWebinar@cadmusgroup.com.

To be **scheduled to speak during the webinar**, please identify your interest when you register using the online registration form above or send an email to: <u>UCMRWebinar@cadmusgroup.com</u> indicating that you would like to present a statement, along with any materials (e.g., PowerPoint slides or PDF document) that you plan to include in your presentation. Public presentations will be limited to 10 minutes each. The last day to pre-schedule to speak at the webinar is **April 9, 2024**. If there is additional time for public speakers after scheduling those who pre-registered, EPA will take requests during the webinar via the chat box. The EPA will accommodate requests to speak (via pre-registration and during the webinar) in the order received and as time permits.

Further information about the drinking water analytical methods and participation in the webinar can be found in the <u>Federal Register notice published Thursday</u>, <u>February 8</u>, 2024 (89 FR 8548); FRL-10857-04-OW.

Key Dates:

- Submit comments for drinking water analytical methods on or before: **April 8, 2024.**
- Register to speak during the pre-proposal webinar by **Tuesday**, **April 9**, **2024**. EPA encourages commenters to provide the agency with an advance copy of their presentation/remarks by emailing them to <a href="https://www.ucman.com/u
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