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**§ 4364. Expenditure of funds for research and development related to regulatory program activities**

**(a) Coordination, etc., with research needs and priorities of program offices and Environmental Protection Agency**

The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall assure that the expenditure of any funds appropriated pursuant to this Act or any other provision of law for environmental research and development related to regulatory program activities shall be coordinated with and reflect the research needs and priorities of the program offices, as well as the overall research needs and priorities of the Agency, including those defined in the five-year research plan.

**(b) Program offices subject to coverage**

For purposes of subsection (a), the appropriate program offices are—

- (1) the Office of Air and Waste Management, for air quality activities;
- (2) the Office of Water and Hazardous Materials, for water quality activities and water supply activities;
- (3) the Office of Pesticides, for environmental effects of pesticides;
- (4) the Office of Solid Waste, for solid waste activities;
- (5) the Office of Toxic Substances, for toxic substance activities;
- (6) the Office of Radiation Programs, for radiation activities; and
- (7) the Office of Noise Abatement and Control, for noise activities.

**(c) Report to Congress; contents**

The Administrator shall submit to the President and the Congress a report concerning the most appropriate means of assuring, on a continuing basis, that the research efforts of the Agency reflect the needs and priorities of the regulatory program offices, while maintaining a high level of scientific quality. Such report shall be submitted on or before March 31, 1978.

(Pub. L. 95-155, §7, Nov. 8, 1977, 91 Stat. 1259.)

**Editorial Notes**

**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

This Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 95-155, Nov. 8, 1977, 91 Stat. 1257, as amended, known as the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act of 1978, which to the extent classified to the Code enacted sections 300j-3a, 4361a, 4361b, and 4363 to 4367 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

**CODIFICATION**

Section was enacted as part of the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act of 1978, and not as part of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 which comprises this chapter.

**§ 4365. Science Advisory Board**

**(a) Establishment; requests for advice by Administrator of Environmental Protection Agency and Congressional committees**

The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall establish a Science Advi-

sory Board which shall provide such scientific advice as may be requested by the Administrator, the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the United States Senate, or the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, on Energy and Commerce, or on Public Works and Transportation of the House of Representatives.

**(b) Membership; Chairman; meetings; qualifications of members**

Such Board shall be composed of at least nine members, one of whom shall be designated Chairman, and shall meet at such times and places as may be designated by the Chairman of the Board in consultation with the Administrator. Each member of the Board shall be qualified by education, training, and experience to evaluate scientific and technical information on matters referred to the Board under this section.

**(c) Proposed environmental criteria document, standard, limitation, or regulation; functions respecting in conjunction with Administrator**

(1) The Administrator, at the time any proposed criteria document, standard, limitation, or regulation under the Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.], the Federal Water Pollution Control Act [33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.], the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 [42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.], the Noise Control Act [42 U.S.C. 4901 et seq.], the Toxic Substances Control Act [15 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.], or the Safe Drinking Water Act [42 U.S.C. 300f et seq.], or under any other authority of the Administrator, is provided to any other Federal agency for formal review and comment, shall make available to the Board such proposed criteria document, standard, limitation, or regulation, together with relevant scientific and technical information in the possession of the Environmental Protection Agency on which the proposed action is based.

(2) The Board may make available to the Administrator, within the time specified by the Administrator, its advice and comments on the adequacy of the scientific and technical basis of the proposed criteria document, standard, limitation, or regulation, together with any pertinent information in the Board's possession.

**(d) Utilization of technical and scientific capabilities of Federal agencies and national environmental laboratories for determining adequacy of scientific and technical basis of proposed criteria document, etc.**

In preparing such advice and comments, the Board shall avail itself of the technical and scientific capabilities of any Federal agency, including the Environmental Protection Agency and any national environmental laboratories.

**(e) Committees**

**(1) Member committees**

**(A) In general**

The Board is authorized to establish such member committees and investigative panels as the Administrator and the Board determine to be necessary to carry out this section.

**(B) Chairmanship**

Each member committee or investigative panel established under this subsection shall be chaired by a member of the Board.