



## The State of Environmental Justice in America 2009 Conference



May 27–29, 2009

Howard University School of Law (Washington, DC) on May 27, 2009  
Crystal City Doubletree Hotel (300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202) on May 28 and 29, 2009

### Meet the Agencies Request for Appointment

One of the recommendations from the 2008 State of Environmental Justice in America Conference was the introduction of an activity through which participants would have an opportunity to engage in short-but-informative conversations with representatives of various Federal agencies. It was noted that the conference is one of few occasions for many local community participants to obtain an audience with high-level Federal officials. Since one of the stated purposes of the conference is to bring together diverse groups of individuals interested in environmental justice through a process of substantive and honest dialogue and learning from each other, this recommendation supports the very reason the conference exists. To that end, conference planners have allocated the afternoon of the first day of the conference to the Meet the Agencies event.

Meet the Agencies will allow conference participants to establish a 20-minute appointment with participating agencies to discuss specific matters of interest to the individual participant, as well as broader issues of mutual concern. To allow equal access by all registrants, organizations that have multiple participants are asked to make one agency appointment and have all group members participate. Each agency will be assigned to a location that will provide privacy and allow uninterrupted conversation. The highest-level agency officials with environmental justice responsibility and decision-making authority will be invited to participate in this activity. **Registered** conferees must make requests for interviews and appointments in advance of the conference in order to give the agencies prior notice and an opportunity to have the most appropriate agency personnel available for the discussions.

All conferees requesting agency appointments will do so through the conference registration process. While the individual agencies will grant or deny the appointments and interviews, conference staff will maintain the agency schedules, monitor the appointment activity, and provide an evaluation of the event to the agencies.

**To request an appointment with a Federal agency on Thursday, May 28, 2009, please complete the appointment form and return it to**

**EJ Conference, Inc.  
1629 K Street, Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20036**

or [ejinamerica@hotmail.com](mailto:ejinamerica@hotmail.com) no later than May 1, 2009. Requests will not be accepted after May 1, 2009.

## Meet the Agencies Request for Appointment Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion Topics (be as specific as possible):

Agency or Agencies Interested in Meeting With:

Comments:

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**Conference registration is required prior to requesting an agency appointment.**

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