

**Abstract:** TSCA section 6(e) generally prohibits the manufacture, processing, distribution in commerce, and use of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). However, federal regulations exclude certain manufacturing processes from these prohibitions, enabling chemical manufacturers to continue to manufacture essential chemical products, the manufacture of which is accompanied by the inadvertent generation of PCBs as trace byproducts or impurities. To be eligible for such an exclusion, chemical manufacturers must comply with certain certification, reporting and recordkeeping requirements. These requirements provide the means for EPA to verify that companies indeed generate only trace quantities of PCBs in their products and thus do not present an unreasonable risk of injury to human health or the environment. EPA also uses the data to identify sites for compliance inspections.

Responses to the collection of information are mandatory (see 40 CFR part 761). Respondents may claim all or part of a notice confidential. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14 and 40 CFR part 2.

**Burden statement:** The burden to respondents for complying with this ICR is estimated to total 1,030 hours per year, based on an average burden of approximately 25 hours per response for an estimated six respondents submitting a one-time report of information, and an average burden of approximately 5 hours for an estimated 176 respondents maintaining required records. These estimates include the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

### III. Public Record

A record has been established for this action under docket number "OPPTS-00185" (including comments and data submitted electronically as described below). A public version of this record, including printed, paper versions of electronic comments, which does not

include any information claimed as CBI, is available for inspection from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The public record is located in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, Rm. NE-B607, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

Electronic comments can be sent directly to EPA at:

oppt.ncic@epamail.epa.gov

Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

The official record for this action, as well as the public version, as described above will be kept in paper form. Accordingly, EPA will transfer all comments received electronically into printed, paper form as they are received and will place the paper copies in the official record which will also include all comments submitted directly in writing. The official record is the paper record maintained at the address in ADDRESSES at the beginning of this document.

### List of Subjects

Environmental protection and Information collection requests.

Dated: June 18, 1996.

Lynn R. Goldman,

*Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.*

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[FRL-5521-1 OMB No. 2070-0081; EPA ICR No. 1289.04]

### Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review; Wood Preservatives—Submission of Information Regarding Arsenic Exposure Levels in Wood Treatment Plants

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D)), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) for Wood Preservative—Submission of Information Regarding Arsenic Exposure Levels in Wood Treatment Plants described below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before July 29, 1996.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY

**CALL:** Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 1289.04.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** Wood Preservatives—

Submission of Information Regarding Arsenic Exposure Levels in Wood Treatment Plants (OMB Control Number 2070-0081; EPA ICR No. 1289.04). This is a request for an extension of a currently approved collection.

**Abstract:** This information collection provides wood treaters that use arsenic formulations a way of exempting themselves from the FIFRA pesticide label requirements, which dictate that all applicators of the registered pesticide product wear NIOSH approved respirators. The program that provides this opportunity for facilities to exempt themselves from the respirator requirements is called the Permissible Exposure Limit Monitoring Program (PEL) and it is incorporated into the "Notice of Intent to Cancel Registrations of Pesticide Product Containing Creosote, Pentachlorophenol (Including Its Salts) and Inorganic Arsenic." It was published in the July 1984 Federal Register, vol. 49, No. 136, p. 28674. Facilities that choose to participate in the voluntary PEL can do the following to exempt themselves from the respirator requirements. First, the facility operator needs to conduct monitoring for air-borne arsenic. Operators with facilities that have air-borne arsenic levels that are higher than the permissible exposure limit would have to continue to require plant personnel to wear respirators. If a facility's air-borne arsenic levels are below the permissible exposure limit, plant personnel would no longer be required to wear respirators. Depending on how close the levels are to the permissible exposure limit, the facility would be required to retest periodically or fill out a checklist, which indicates if arsenic exposure levels are likely to increase due to changes in the facility's industrial process.

Participating facilities must submit the air monitoring test results to EPA or, if arsenic levels are low and testing is not required, then they can simply fill out the checklist and submit it to EPA. All submissions must certify that the information provided is accurate.

EPA uses the certification and air monitoring data to determine if the wood preserving facility is complying with the air-borne arsenic levels set by the cancellation order, which was set to ensure that plant personnel are not exposed to levels of arsenic that pose an

unacceptably high health risk. This data will also be used to monitor which wood treatment facilities are participating in the PEL and thus could be exempt from the pesticide label requirement to wear a respirator. Because the information that would be submitted to EPA is not confidential business information it will not be handled as such.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR chapter 15. The Federal Register Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 03/26/96 (61 FR 13190).

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and record keeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3 hours and 30 minutes per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

**Respondents/Affected Entities:** 300.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 250.

**Estimated Number of Responses:** 250.

**Frequency of Response:** once per year.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 888 hours.

**Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden:** \$0

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1289.04 and OMB Control No. 2070-0081 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory

Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460.

and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 20, 1996.

Richard Westlund,

*Acting Director, Regulatory Information Division.*

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#### [ER-FRL-5470-9]

### **Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments**

Availability of EPA comments prepared June 17, 1996 Through June 21, 1996 pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 05, 1996 (61 FR 15251).

#### **Draft EISs**

ERP No. D-AFS-L60103-AK Rating EC2, Swanlake-Lake Tyee Intertie Project, Electrical Transmission Line and Associated Facilities Construction and Operation, Northwestern Portion of Revillagigedo Island from Upper Carroll Inlet to Behm Canal and the Northeastern Portion of Cleveland Peninsula from Spacious Bay to Bradford Canal, Special-Use-Permit Issuance, Tongass.

**Summary:** EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding the project's impacts to fish populations in Lake Tyee. EPA requested clarification of this issue.

ERP No. D-AFS-L65267-AK Rating LO, Helicopter Landings within Wilderness, Implementation, Tongass National Forest, Chatham, Stikine and Ketchikan Area, AK.

**Summary:** EPA's abbreviated review has revealed no environmental concerns on this project.

ERP No. D-FAA-C51019-NY Rating EC2, LaGuardia Airport East End Roadway Improvements Project, Four New Ramps at the 102nd Street Bridge Construction, Airport Layout

Plan Approval and Funding, Queens County, NY.

**Summary:** EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding the proposed project's conformity with the SIP. EPA requested that additional information be provided.

ERP No. D-NPS-C61009-NY Rating LO, Manhattan Sites General Management Plans, Implementation, Castle Clinton National Monument, Federal Hall National Memorial, General Grant National Memorial, Saint Paul's Church National Historic Site and Theodore Roosevelt Birthplace National Historic Site, New York and Westchester Counties, NY.

**Summary:** EPA believed that the proposed project will not result in significant adverse environmental impact; therefore, EPA had no objection to its implementation.

#### **Final EISs**

ERP No. F-USN-K11065-CA, Miramar Naval Air Station (NAS) Realignment or Conversion to Miramar Marine Corps Air Station, Implementation, San Diego, CA.

**Summary:** EPA continued to have environmental concerns regarding full disclosure of noise complaints and documentation of comment responses.

ERP No. F-USN-K11066-CA, Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Air Station/Marine Corps Base (MCAS/MCB) Realignment and Tustin and EL Toro Marine Corps Bases Closure, Implementation and COE Section 404 Permit Issuance, San Diego County, CA.

**Summary:** EPA continued to express environmental concerns regarding water quality, wetlands, cumulative impacts and flood control.

Dated: June 25, 1996.

B. Katherine Biggs,

*Associate Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.*

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#### [ER-FRL-5470-8]

### **Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability**

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 OR (202) 564-7153. Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed June 17, 1996 Through June 21, 1996 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 960285, Final EIS, AFS, TX, Texas National Forests and Grasslands Revised Land and