

Registration (OMB Control No. 2070-0122, EPA No. 1503.03) which is abstracted below, has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and expected cost and burden; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument. A **Federal Register** notice requesting public comment on the renewal of this ICR published on June 27, 1997 (62 FR 34744). EPA did not receive any comments.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 14, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL: Sandy Farmer by phone on EPA, (202) 260-2740. Please refer to OMB No. 2070-0122 or EPA ICR No. 1503.03.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Data Acquisition for Pesticide Registration.

ICR No.: OMB Control No. 2070-0122; EPA ICR No. 1503.03.

Expiration Date: November 30, 1997.

Request: This is a request for an extension of a currently approved information collection activity.

Affected Entities: Registrants of Pesticide Products

Abstract: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or the Agency) is responsible for the regulation of pesticides under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Applicants for pesticide registration must provide EPA with the data needed to assess whether the registration of a pesticide would cause unreasonable adverse effects on human health or the environment, and EPA has authority under FIFRA to require registrants to provide additional data to maintain an existing registration.

When the need for additional data arises, OPP issues a Data Call-In Notice (DCI) under the authority of FIFRA section 3(c)(2)(B) to affected registrants. Data supporting pesticide inert ingredients may also be called in, based on OPP's policy statement on inert ingredients in pesticide products (52 FR 13305, April 22, 1987, and revised on November 22, 1989 (54 FR 48314). A need for additional data may arise from changes in the Agency's general data requirements, from the discovery of deficiencies in previously submitted data, or from the discovery of specific attributes of the pesticide or its ingredients.

Two types of DCIs are conducted under this information collection activity. The first type of DCI consists of data requirements for pesticide products

containing selected inert ingredients. The second type of DCI addresses specific data requirements for pesticide active ingredients.

Burden Statement: The annual respondent burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 6,938 hours per response. This estimate includes the time needed for: planning activities, creating information, gathering information, processing, compiling, and reviewing information for accuracy, recording, disclosing or displaying the information, and storing, filing, and maintaining the data. The DCI program contains exemptions for small businesses, and does not impose any third party notification activities.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Parties affected by this information collection are registrants of pesticide products.

Estimated No. of Respondents: 30.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 208,132 hours.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion as needed by the Agency.

No person is 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, in addition to their initial display in the **Federal Register** appear at 40 CFR part 9.

You may provide additional comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA No. 1503.03 and OMB Control No. 2070-0122 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460; and

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

Dated: October 8, 1997.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FR-5909-8]

Proposed Settlement Agreement, Clean Air Act Citizen Suit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed settlement; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (Act), 42 U.S.C. 7413(g), notice is hereby given of a proposed partial consent decree, which was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Columbia by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on September 30, 1997, to address a lawsuit filed by the Sierra Club. This lawsuit, which was filed pursuant to section 304(a) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 7604(a), addresses, among other things, EPA's alleged failure to meet a mandatory deadline under section 112(n)(1)(B) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 7412(n)(1)(B), which concerns a study of mercury emissions. The proposed partial consent decree provides, in part, that "[n]o later than December 19, 1997, the Administrator shall sign a letter transmitting to Congress the study described by CAA section 112(n)(1)(B), 42 U.S.C. 7412(n)(1)(B). With five business days thereafter, EPA shall deliver to Congress such letter and study."

For a period of thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this document, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the proposed partial consent decree from persons who were not named as parties or intervenors to the litigation in question. EPA or the Department of Justice may withdraw or withhold consent to the proposed partial consent decree if the comments disclose facts or considerations that indicate that such consent is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the Act. Unless EPA or the Department of Justice determine, following the comment period, that consent is inappropriate, the final partial consent decree will establish a deadline for specific actions under section 112(n)(1)(B) of the Act.

A copy of the proposed partial consent decree was lodged with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia on September 30, 1997. Copies are also available from Phyllis J. Cochran, Air and Radiation Division (2344), Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 260-7606. Written comments should be sent to Patrick S. Chang at the address above and must be submitted on or before November 14, 1997.

Dated: October 3, 1997.

Scott C. Fulton,

Acting General Counsel.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5909-4]

A Public Meeting on the Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards for the Metal Products and Machinery (MP&M) Industrial Category

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Office of Water (OW) is conducting a public meeting in order to inform all interested parties of the current status of the Metal Products and Machinery (MP&M) Effluent Guideline. The EPA intends to propose effluent limitations guidelines and standards for the MP&M industrial category in October of 2000. The meeting is intended to be a forum in which EPA can report on the status of the rulemaking and interested parties can provide information and ideas to the Agency on key technical, economic, and implementation issues.

DATES: The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 5, 1997, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the EPA auditorium at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Geil, Engineering and Analysis Division (4303), U.S. EPA, 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC 20460. Telephone (202) 260-9817, fax (202) 260-7185 or by e-mail at geil.steve@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA is developing proposed effluent limitations guidelines and standards for the Metal Products and Machinery Point Source Category under authority of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*). The MP&M Category includes facilities that manufacture, rebuild, and maintain finished metal parts, products, or machines.

The public meeting will include a discussion of the current status of the regulation including the combination of the two phases, the on-going data gathering efforts including sampling activities and questionnaire responses, and other general issues. The meeting will not be recorded by a reporter or transcribed for inclusion in the record for the MP&M rulemaking.

Documents relating to the topics mentioned above and a more detailed agenda will be available at the meeting. For those unable to attend the meeting, a document summary will be available following the meeting and can be obtained by an e-mail or telephone request to Steven Geil at the previously mentioned address.

Jim Hanlon,

Acting Director, Office of Science and Technology.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5908-9]

Amendment to Notice of Proposed Administrative Settlement Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; add names to the list of settling parties.

SUMMARY: The September 22, 1997, notice concerning the proposed settlement at the Marco of Iota Superfund Site in Iota, Louisiana (62 FR 49514) included a list of settling parties. Three federal *de micromis* parties who settled pursuant to the "Superfund Administrative Reforms" (at no cost to the parties) were inadvertently excluded from the list.

The excluded settlers are:

United States Department of Defense/
Department of the Air Force

United States Department of Interior/
Golden Spike National Historic Site

United States Department of Justice/
Federal Bureau of Prisons, Federal
Prison Ind., Inc.

Any comments regarding the additional parties must be submitted on or before October 22, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carl Bolden, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas, 75202-2733 at (214) 665-6713.

October 3, 1997.

Jerry Clifford,

Acting Regional Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5909-3]

South Bay Asbestos Superfund Site; Notice of Proposed Administrative Settlement

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9600 *et seq.*, notice is hereby given that on September 30, 1997, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) executed two proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreements pertaining to property transactions within the South Bay Asbestos Superfund Site. The Purchasers plan to acquire parcels, totaling 24.5 acres, within the South Bay Asbestos Superfund Site, located in San Jose, California. The Parcels will be developed for office, research, light industrial, commercial service, and restaurant uses.

There are two Prospective Purchaser Agreements because the property is divided into an East and West Parcel and each parcel has different lenders. The proposed Agreements will resolve certain potential claims of the United States under section 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607, and section 7003 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6973, against Lincoln Property Company No. 2233 (East Parcel Agreement) and Lincoln 237 Associates (West Parcel Agreement). Lincoln Property Company No. 2233 and Lincoln 237 Associates are jointly referenced as (the Purchasers). The proposed settlement will require the Purchasers to make a one-time payment of \$125,000 for the East Parcel Agreement and \$75,000 for the West Parcel Agreement. Payments will be made to the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund. In addition, any disturbance of soils on the East Parcel must comply with the Soil Management Plan (SMP), attached as exhibit 3 to the East Parcel Agreement.

For thirty (30) calendar days following the date of publication of this document, EPA will receive written comments relating to this proposed settlement. EPA's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the U.S.