discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. We call this "scoping". The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of the proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

 Air quality and noise impacts associated with construction and operation.

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be in the EA. Depending on the comments received during the scoping process, the EA may be published and mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, affected landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EA is published. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission.

To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the instructions in the public participation section below.

Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative locations), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

• Send two copies of your letter to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426:

- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Environmental Review and Compliance Branch, PR-11.
- Reference Docket No. CP98–596– 000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before September 4, 1998.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding known as an "intervenor". Intervenors play a more formal role in the process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide 14 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see appendix 3). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by section 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Mr. Paul McKee of the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208–1088.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6141-5]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; NESHAP for Marine Vessel Loading Operations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Marine Vessel Loading Operations (Subpart Y), OMB Control Number 2060-0289, expiration date 09/30/98. 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 September 10, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the ICR, call Sandy Farmer at EPA, by phone at (202) 260–2740, by E-Mail at Farmer.Sandy@epamail.epa.gov or download off the Internet at http://www.epa.gov/icr/icr.htm, and refer to EPA ICR No. #1679.03.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: NESHAP for Marine Vessel Loading Operations (Subpart Y) OMB Control Number 2060–0289, EPA ICR Number 1679.03, expiration date Sept. 30, 1998. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Respondents are owners or operators of new and existing marine tank vessel loading facilities that are in operation which meet the criteria set out in 40 CFR 63.560. There are an estimated 1,500 marine tank vessel loading facilities nationwide. Of these, approximately 20 have annual gasoline throughput greater than 10 million barrel or annual crude oil throughput greater than 200 million bbl and would be required to control emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) and hazardous air pollutants (HAP) under section 183(f) of the Clean Air Act (the Act). These facilities require the application of reasonably available control technology (RACT). Excluding the 20 facilities subject to RACT, approximately 85 facilities have annual HAP emissions of greater than 10 tons of each individual HAP or 25 tons of the total HAP, which triggers the requirement to control emissions of HAP under section 112(d) of the Act. These facilities require the application of maximum achievable control technology (MACT). No growth is predicted for this industry.

Facilities required to install controls under these standards would have to fulfill the applicable reporting and recordkeeping requirements of the General Provisions of 40 CFR part 63, subpart Y, listed in section 4(b). The respondents must keep records of such

things as operation and maintenance records, and monitoring records. They must also submit a limited number of reports such as the annual report of exceedances of the emission limits (ongoing compliance status reports), and annual reports of Hazardous Air Pollutant (HAP) emissions control efficiencies. Information is made available to the Regional Administrator of EPA or delegated State authority upon request. Records must be maintained for a minimum of 5 years.

The review of this ICR was conducted by EPA Office of Compliance and included surveying EPA Research Triangle Park, Regional offices and other Federal Agencies with knowledge of this industry for information on possible sources. In addition the first Federal Register Notice in 1998 sought information on sources from the public and industry. This is a renewal for a NESHAP rule that has just been promulgated. Under sections 40 CFR 63 Subpart Y, information collection is mandatory. The required information consists of emissions data and other information that have been determined not to be private. However, any information submitted to the agency for which a claim of confidentiality is made will be safeguarded according to the Agency policies set forth in Title 40, Chapter 1, part 2, subpart B-Confidentiality of Business Information (see 40 CFR 2; 41 FR 36902, September 1, 1976; amended by 43 FR 40000, September 8, 1978; 43 FR 42251, September 20, 1978; 44 FR 17674, March 23, 1979).

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** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on March 5, 1998 (43 FR 10870); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 268 hours 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: Owners or operators of new and existing marine tank vessel loading facilities.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Frequency of Response: Occasionally. Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 28,131.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden: 0.

This amount, 28,131 hours, are the annual hours for annual leak checks, vapor tightness tests, record keeping on the findings, and for annual reports on excess emissions, compliance status, and the annual Hazardous Air Pollutant control report.

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. 1679.03 and OMB Control No. 2060–0289 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Policy, 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: August 5, 1998.

Stephen T. Vineski,

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6141-6]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; NESHAP for Beryllium Rocket Motor Firing

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C.

3501 et seq.), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Beryllium Rocket Motor Firing (part 61, subpart D), EPA #1125.02, OMB Control Number being requested. 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 September 10, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the ICR, call Sandy Farmer at EPA, by phone at (202) 260–2740, by E-Mail at Farmer.Sandy@epamail.epa.gov or download off the Internet at http://www.epa.gov/icr/icr.htm, and refer to EPA ICR No. 1125.02.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: NESHAP for Beryllium Rocket Motor Firing (subpart D) OMB Control Number to be assigned, EPA ICR Number 1125.02. This is a request for reinstatement of a previously approved collection.

Abstract: The purpose of this rule is to control emissions of beryllium from beryllium rocket motor firing, through the controlled firing of the rockets and containment of the beryllium. Beryllium is a hazardous air pollutant and the standards rely on the capture and reduction of beryllium emissions or controlled firing so that a minimum ambient air standard is met. Notifications from the source inform the EPA when a rocket motor firing is planned. Inspections and test reports allow the agency to check compliance with the standards. The information generated by monitoring, record keeping and reporting is used by the EPA to ensure that the facility affected continues to operate in accordance with the standards.

This is a reinstatement of a NESHAP rule that had previous lapsed. Under sections 40 CFR 61.40 TO 61.44, information collection is mandatory. The required information consists of emissions data and other information that have been determined not to be private. However, any information submitted to the agency for which a claim of confidentiality is made will be safeguarded according to the Agency policies set forth in Title 40, Chapter 1, part 2, subpart B-Confidentiality of Business Information (see 40 CFR 2; 41 FR 36902, September 1, 1976; amended by 43 FR 40000, September 8, 1978; 43 FR 42251, September 20, 1978; 44 FR 17674, March 23, 1979).