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*Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps,
U.S. Navy, Head, Complaint of Wrongs
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6414-4]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; See List of ICRs Planned To Be Submitted in Section A

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 EPA is planning to submit the following two continuing Information Collection Requests (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Before submitting the ICRs to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the information collections as described at the beginning of Supplementary Information.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 8, 1999.

ADDRESSES: 401 M Street, S.W., Attn: 3802R, Washington, D.C. 20460.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY
CONTACT:** Leigh Pomponio, (202) 564-4364, e-mail:

pomponio.leigh@epamail.epa.gov. A hard copy of an ICR may be obtained without charge by calling the identified information contact individual for each ICR in Section B of the Supplementary Information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

For All ICRs

An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are displayed in 40 CFR part 9.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

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.

A. List of ICRs Planned To Be Submitted

In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that EPA is planning to submit the following two continuing Information Collection Requests (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB):

(1) Contractor Cumulative Claim and Reconciliation, EPA ICR No. 0246.07, OMB Control No. 2030-0016, expires 1/31/00.

(2) Monthly Progress Reports, EPA ICR No. 1039.09, OMB Control No. 2030-0005, expires 1/31/00.

B. Contact Individuals for ICRs

(1) Contractor Cumulative Claim and Reconciliation and Monthly Progress Reports: Leigh Pomponio, (202) 564-4364, FAX (202) 565-2475, e-mail, pomponio.leigh@epamail.epa.gov.

C. Individual ICRs

(1) Contractor Cumulative Claim and Reconciliation, EPA ICR No. 0246.07, OMB Control No. 2030-0016, expires 1/31/00.

Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those holding cost reimbursable contracts with the Agency.

Abstract: At the completion of a cost reimbursement contract, contractors

will report final costs incurred, including direct labor, materials, supplies, equipment, and other direct charges, subcontracting, consultant fees, indirect costs, and fixed fee. Contractors will report this information on EPA Form 1900-10. EPA will use this information to reconcile the contractor's costs. Establishment of the final costs and fixed fee is necessary to close out the contract. Responses to the information collection are mandatory for those completing work under a cost reimbursement contract, and are required to receive final payment. Information submitted is protected from public release in accordance with the Agency's confidentiality regulation, 40 CFR 2.201 *et seq.*

Burden Statement: EPA estimates that the annual hourly burden will be 42.9 hours based on the following: Each response will take approximately 40 minutes, and EPA closes out approximately 65 contracts per year. The annual dollar burden is estimated at \$1,151.15 based on a combination of contractor employees providing the information at an average total cost of \$17.71 for the 40 minute period. Minimal operation and maintenance costs are expected for photocopying and postage.

(2) Monthly Progress Reports, EPA ICR No. 1039.09, OMB Control No. 2030-0005, expires 1/31/00.

Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those holding cost reimbursable contracts with EPA.

Abstract: Agency contractors who have cost reimbursable, time and material, labor hour, or indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity fixed rate contracts will report the technical and financial progress of the contract on a monthly basis. EPA will use this information to monitor the contractor's progress under the contract. Responses to the information collection are mandatory for contractors performing under a cost reimbursement contract, and are required to receive monthly reimbursement. Information submitted is protected from public release in accordance with the Agency's confidentiality regulation, 40 CFR 2.201 *et seq.*

Burden statement: EPA estimates that the annual hourly burden for this collection will be 177,045 hours. Each response is expected to take approximately 36.25 hours. Based on current active cost reimbursable contracts numbering 407, times 12 submissions per year, EPA anticipates 4884 annual collections. Each collection is estimated to cost \$2,591.50 based on a variety of contractor personnel performing the individual tasks required

for information gathering and submission. With 4884 annual submissions, total annual cost is estimated at \$12,656,886. Minimal operation and maintenance costs are expected for photocopying and postage.

Dated: July 30, 1999.

Thomas D. McEntegart,

Manager, Policy Service Center.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6416-3]

Proposed Settlement Agreement, Clean Air Act Citizen Suit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency, (EPA).

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

SUMMARY: EPA hereby gives notice of a proposed settlement agreement in the case *Ayers v. Browner*, No. 97-1464 (consolidated with 98-1073) (D.C. Cir.). This notice complies with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended ("Act"), which requires EPA to give notice and provide an opportunity for public comment on proposed settlement agreements. The litigation concerns EPA's promulgation of the National Low Emission Vehicle (National LEV) program in two related final rules. See 62 FR 31192 (June 6, 1997); 63 FR 925 (Jan. 7, 1998). The Petitioners filed petitions for review of these Agency rulemakings under section 307(b)(1) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 7607 (b)(1).

The proposed Settlement Agreement provides that EPA will take certain actions regarding alternative fuel vehicles. These include holding two public workshops and preparing several reports. The agreement does not call for making any changes to the National LEV program.

Persons who were not named as parties or interveners to this litigation may submit written comments on the proposed settlement agreement to EPA. Any comments must be submitted within thirty days after the date of publication of this notice. EPA or the Department of Justice may withhold or withdraw consent to the proposed agreement if the comments disclose facts or circumstances that indicate that such agreement is inappropriate, improper, inadequate, or inconsistent with the requirements of the Act.

A copy of the proposed settlement agreement is available from Phylliss J. Cochran, Air and Radiation Division

(2344), Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460, (202) 260-7606. Written comments should be sent to Alexandra Teitz, Esq. at the above address and must be submitted on or before September 8, 1999.

Dated: July 28, 1999.

Gary S. Guzy,

General Counsel.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6416-5]

Underground Injection Control Program, Hazardous Waste Injection Restrictions; Petition for Exemption—Class I Hazardous Waste Injection Celanese Ltd.

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of final decision on no migration petition reissuance.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that an exemption to the land disposal restrictions under the 1984 Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act has been granted to Celanese Ltd., (Celanese) for its Class I injection well located at the Clear Lake Plant, Houston, Texas. As required by 40 CFR part 148, the company has adequately demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Agency by the petition and supporting documentation that, to a reasonable degree of certainty, there will be no migration of hazardous constituents from the injection zone for as long as the waste remains hazardous. This final decision allows the underground injection by Celanese, of the specific restricted hazardous wastes identified in the exemption, into the Class I hazardous waste injection well WDW-33 at the Clear Lake Plant Houston, Texas facility, until December 31, 2010, unless EPA moves to terminate the exemption under provisions of 40 CFR 148.24. As required by 40 CFR 148.22(b) and 124.10, a public notice was issued June 7, 1999. The public comment period closed on July 22, 1999. No comments were received. This decision constitutes final Agency action and there is no Administrative appeal.

DATES: This action is effective as of August 2, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the petition and all pertinent information relating thereto

are on file at the following location: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, Water Quality Protection Division, Source Water Protection Branch (6WQ-S), 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Philip Dellinger, Chief, Ground Water/UIC Section, EPA—Region 6, telephone (214) 665-7165.

William B. Hathaway,

Director, Water Quality Protection Division (6WQ).

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-51931; FRL-6094-8]

Certain New Chemicals; Receipt and Status Information

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 5 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) requires any person who intends to manufacture (defined by statute to include import) a new chemical (i.e., a chemical not on the TSCA Inventory) to notify EPA and comply with the statutory provisions pertaining to the manufacture of new chemicals. Under sections 5(d)(2) and 5(d)(3) of TSCA, EPA is required to publish a notice of receipt of a premanufacture notice (PMN) or an application for a test marketing exemption (TME), and to publish periodic status reports on the chemicals under review and the receipt of notices of commencement to manufacture those chemicals. This status report, which covers the period from June 14, 1999, to July 2, 1999, consists of the PMNs, both pending or expired, and the notices of commencement to manufacture a new chemical that the Agency has received under TSCA section 5 during this time period.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christine Augustyniak, Associate Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., S.W., Washington, DC 20460; telephone numbers: 202-554-1404 and TDD: 202-554-0551; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. As such, the Agency has not