policy had limited sites eligible for inclusion to the Construction Completion List (CCL) to sites that are on the NPL at the time a determination is made that all physical construction has been completed. As a result, deleted sites would never qualify for the CCL if physical construction remains at the time of deletion from the NPL.

The proposed policy would allow all sites that are on the NPL or have been deleted from the NPL to be eligible for the CCL when all physical construction under all authorities is complete and all other applicable construction completion policy criteria have been satisfied. This will allow Superfund to track and report completion of all construction activities at NPL sites.

DATES: Comments on the proposed policy change must be submitted by September 5, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: Mr. Richard Jeng, Office of Emergency and Remedial Response (5204–G), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard Jeng, Office of Emergency and Remedial Response (5204–G), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460 at (703) 603–8749 or e-mail *Jeng.Richard@epa.gov* or the RCRA/Superfund Hotline from 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, toll free at 1–(800)–424–9346.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

During the initial years of the Superfund program, outside audiences often measured Superfund's progress in cleaning up sites by the number of sites deleted from the NPL as compared to the number of sites on the NPL. This measure, however, did not and still does not fully recognize the substantial construction and reduction of risk to human health and the environment that has occurred at NPL sites. In response, the National Contingency Plan Preamble **Federal Register** (FR) Notice (55 FR 8699, March 8, 1990) established a Construction Completion category of NPL sites to more clearly communicate to the public the status of cleanup progress among sites on the NPL.

A later Notification of Policy Change **Federal Register** Notice (58 FR 12142, March 2, 1993) introduced the Superfund Construction Completions List (CCL) ''* * * to simplify its system of categorizing sites and to better communicate the successful completion of cleanup activities.'' A total of 155 sites were included on this initial list. The same notice that introduced the CCL also indicated that ''* * * deleted sites will not qualify for the CCL if physical construction remains to be conducted under another statutory authority.'' As a result, EPA adopted the policy where only sites on the NPL (*i.e.,* not proposed or deleted sites) should qualify for inclusion to the CCL. In EPA's Close Out Procedures for National Priorities List Sites (Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response Directive 9320.2–09 A–P, January 2000) guidance, EPA defined a construction completion site as a former toxic waste site where physical construction of all cleanup actions is complete, all immediate threats have been addressed, and all long-term threats are under control.

B. Notice of Proposed Policy Change

Construction Completion List (CCL) will now include sites deleted from the NPL.

EPA now believes it is important to assess all NPL Superfund sites, including those that have been deleted, to ensure that all construction of response actions has been completed. In doing so, EPA believes that although a site is deleted from the Superfund NPL, it should be accounted for on the CCL when EPA determines that all physical construction is complete under all statutory authorities and all applicable construction completion policy criteria have been satisfied. Any previously listed NPL Superfund site added to the CCL as a result of this proposed policy change will be subject to all report documentation requirements as currently required for construction completions at NPL sites. Program projections indicate that this proposed policy revision could eventually affect up to eight sites currently deleted from the NPL. This includes sites deleted from the NPL as a result of deferral of physical construction to another authority. Should the proposed policy change become effective during the current fiscal year, one of the eight sites will have all physical construction completed under all authorities and will be added to the CCL in fiscal year 2000.

Notice: This document does not substitute for EPA's statutes or regulations, nor is it a regulation itself. Thus, it does not impose legally-binding requirements on EPA, states, or the regulated community. EPA may change this guidance in the future, as appropriate.

Dated: July 27, 2000.

Timothy Fields, Jr.,

Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6845–3]

State Program Requirements; Application to Administer the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program; Maine

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; extension of public comment period on application for approval of the Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System.

SUMMARY: The State of Maine has submitted a request for approval of the Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MEPDES) Program pursuant to section 402 of the Clean Water Act. On December 30, 1999 (64 FR 73552) EPA published a notice requesting comments on the Maine application by February 29, 2000. On June 28, 2000 (65 FR 39899) EPA published an extension of the comment period until July 28, 2000. Today, EPA is extending the comment period on the State's request until August 21, 2000 in response a request from commenters, solely for the purposes of taking comment on the question of whether EPA should approve the State's application to administer its program in the lands or territories of the Indian Tribes in Maine.

DATES: EPA Region I will take written comments solely on the question of whether EPA should approve the State's application to operate its program in the lands or territories of the Indian Tribes in Maine through August 21, 2000 at its office in Boston, MA. EPA requests that copies of such written comments also be provided to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MEDEP).

ADDRESSES: Written comments must be submitted to: Stephen Silva, USEPA Maine State Office, 1 Congress Street—Suite 1100 (CME), Boston, MA 02114–2023. EPA requests that a copy of each comment be submitted to: Dennis Merrill, MEDEP, Statehouse Station #17, Augusta, ME 04333–0017.

Copies of documents Maine has submitted in support of its program approval request may be reviewed during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, at: EPA Region I, 11th Floor Library, 1

Congress Street—Suite 1100, Boston, MA 02114–2023, 617–918–1990 or 1–888–372–5427; and MEDEP, Ray Building, Hospital Street, Augusta, ME.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen Silva at the address listed above or by calling (617) 918–1561 or Dennis Merrill at the address listed above or by calling (207) 287–7788. The State's submissions (which comprise approximately 128 pages in the application, 382 pages in the appendix, and 11 pages in a supplement with an additional 688 pages of attachments) may be copied at the MEDEP office in Augusta, or EPA office in Boston, at a cost of 15 cents per page. A copy of the entire initial submission (not including the supplement) may be obtained from the MEDEP office in Augusta for a $20 fee.

Part of the State's program submission and supporting documentation is available electronically at the following Internet address: http://www.state.me.us/dep/blwq/delegation/delegation.htm

Other Federal Statutes

Nothing in this extension of the public comment period changes any of the analyses or findings concerning other federal statutes which EPA made in its notice of December 30, 1999. See 64 FR 73554–73555.

Authority: This action is prepared under the authority of section 402 of the Clean Water Act as amended, 42 U.S.C. 1342.

Dated: July 26, 2000.

Ira W. Leighton,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region I.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Public Information Collections Approved by Office of Management and Budget

July 25, 2000.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has received Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the following public information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. 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 control number. For further information contact Shoko B. Hair, Federal Communications Commission, (202) 418–1379.

Federal Communications Commission

OMB Control No.: 3060–0854.

Expiration Date: 01/31/2001.

Title: Truth-in-Billing Format—CC Docket No. 98–170.

Form No.: N/A.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Annual Burden: 3099 respondents; 505.3 hours per response (avg.).; 1,565,775 total annual burden hours.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: $9,000,000.

Frequency of Response: On occasion; Third Party Disclosure.

Description: Under Section 201(b) of the Communications Act, the charges, practices, and classifications of common carriers must be just and reasonable. The Commission believes that the telephone bill is an integral part of the relationship between a carrier and its customer. The manner in which charges are identified and articulated on the bill is essential to the consumer's understanding of the services that have been rendered, such that a carrier's provision of misleading or deceptive billing information may be an unjust and unreasonable practice in violation of Section 201(b). In the Truth-in-Billing and Billing Format Order on Reconsideration, the Commission addressed several petitions for reconsideration or clarification of the principles and guidelines contained in Truth-in-Billing and Billing Format, First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (TIB Order), 64 FR 34487 (June 25, 1999). In the Order on Reconsideration, the Commission modified, as noted below, its collections of information to ensure that telephone bills contain information necessary for consumers to determine the validity of charges assessed on the bills and to combat telecommunications fraud. a. *Clear identification of service providers.* Telephone bills must clearly identify the name of the service provider associated with each charge. In the Order on Reconsideration, the Commission clarified that, where an entity bundles a number of services as a single package offered by a single company, such offering may be listed on the telephone bill as a single offering, rather than listed as separate charges by provider. Carriers providing bundled services in this manner must, however, make sure that an inquiry contact number or numbers appears on the bill for customer questions or complaints concerning the services provided through the bundle, as required by section 6.2401(d). The Commission also clarified that the carrier name of the telephone bill should be the name by which such company is known to its consumers for the provision of the respective service. (No. of respondents: 3099; hours per response: 10 hours; total annual burden: 30,990 hours). b. *Separation of charges by service provider and highlighting new services provider information.* In the TIB Order, the Commission required that all telephone bills containing wireline common carrier service (1) separate charges by service provider and (2) clearly and conspicuously show any change in service providers by identifying all service providers that did not bill for services on the previous billing statement and, where applicable, describing any new presubscribed or continuing relationship with the customer. In the Order on Reconsideration, the Commission modified its rule requiring highlighting of new service providers to only apply to providers that have a continuing arrangement with the subscriber that results in periodic charges on the subscriber's telephone bill. This change will ensure that services billed solely on a per-transaction basis, such as operator service and directory assistance, are not subject to the highlighting requirement. The Commission modified the language in the rule concerning when the highlighting requirement is triggered. (No. of respondents: 2295; hours per response: 465 hours; total annual burden: 1,067,175 hours). c. *Full and non-misleading bill charges.* The TIB Order requires that (1) bills for wireline service include for each charge a brief, clear, plain-language description of the services rendered; and (2) when a bill for local wireline service contains additional carrier charges, the bill must differentiate between those charges for which non-payment could result in termination of local telephone service and those for which it could not. In the Order on Reconsideration, the Commission retained its requirement that carriers distinguish on telephone bills those charges that consumers may refuse to pay without jeopardizing the provision of basic, local service, and charges for which non-payment may result in such disconnection. The Commission, however, clarified that a carrier need not label every charge as either deniable or non-deniable. (No. of respondents: 2295; hours per response: 197 hours; total annual burden: 452,115 hours). d. *Clear and Conspicuous Disclosure of Inquiry Contacts.* The TIB Order requires that all telephone bills display a toll-free number or numbers by which consumers may inquire about or dispute any charge on the bill. The