

proposes to visit up to 20 agencies to evaluate institutional controls tracking systems. Responding to the survey is entirely voluntary. 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 October 2, 2001 (66 FR 50182); 19 comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and record keeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 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: States, Tribes, and Local Agencies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 262.

Frequency of Response: One time only.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 2,620 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Capital, O&M 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 addresses listed above. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 2043.01 in any correspondence.

Dated: March 14, 2002.

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Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Requirements for Generators, Transporters, and Hazardous Waste Management Facilities Under the RCRA Hazardous Waste Manifest System

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: Requirements for Generators, Transporters, and Hazardous Waste Management Facilities Under the RCRA Hazardous Waste Manifest System, EPA ICR No. 0801.14, OMB Control Number 2050-0039, expiration date March 31, 2002. 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 April 22, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 0801.14 and OMB Control No. 2050-0039, to the following addresses: Susan Auby, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Collection Strategies Division (Mail Code 2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; and to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the ICR contact Susan Auby at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by E-mail at Auby.Susan@epamail.epa.gov, or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 0801.14. For technical questions about the ICR contact Bryan Groce at 703-308-8750, groce.bryan@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Requirements for Generators, Transporters, and Hazardous Waste Management Facilities Under the RCRA Hazardous Waste Manifest System, OMB Control No. 2050-0039, EPA ICR No. 0801.14, expiring March 31, 2002. This is a request for an extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended, establishes a national program to assure that hazardous waste management practices are conducted in a manner that is protective of human health and the environment. EPA's authority to require compliance with the manifest system stems primarily from RCRA section 3002(a)(5). This section mandates a hazardous waste manifest "system" to assure that all hazardous waste generated is designated for and arrives at the appropriate treatment, storage, and disposal facility. An essential part of this manifest system is the Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest (Form 8700-22A). The manifest is a tracking document that accompanies the waste from its generation site to its final disposition. The manifest lists the wastes that are being shipped and the final destination of the waste. The manifest system is a self-enforcing mechanism that requires generators, transporters, and owner/operators of treatment, storage, and disposal facilities to participate in hazardous waste tracking. In addition the manifest provides information to transporters and waste management facility workers on the hazardous nature of the waste, identifies wastes so that they can be managed appropriately in the event of an accident, spill, or leak, and ensures that shipments of hazardous waste are managed properly and delivered to their designated facilities.

This system does not ordinarily involve intervention on the part of EPA unless hazardous wastes do not reach their point of disposition within a specified time frame. In most cases, RCRA-authorized States operate the manifest system, and requirements may vary among authorized States.

EPA believes manifest requirements and the resulting information collection mitigate potential hazards to human health and the environment by ensuring that hazardous waste is sent to and received by appropriate treatment, storage, and disposal facilities, by initiating appropriate response actions if a shipment does not reach its intended destination, and by providing necessary emergency response information in the event of an accident, spill, or leak during transportation.

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 November 27, 2001 (66 FR 59248); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.52 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: Hazardous Waste Generators, Transporters, and Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities (TSDFs).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 145,974.

Frequency of Response: Per shipment of hazardous waste.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 3,612,539 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Capital, O&M Cost Burden: \$ 2,416.

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 addresses listed above. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 0801.14 and OMB Control No. 2050-0039 in any correspondence.

Dated: March 15, 2002.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7162-4]

Proposed Settlement Agreement

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

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

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended,

42 U.S.C. 7413(g), notice is hereby given of a proposed settlement agreement in *General Electric Company v. United States Environmental Protection Agency*, No. 99-1353 (D.C. Circuit). This case concerns the National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories: Generic MACT Standards, 40 CFR part 63, subpart YY, published at 64 FR 34921 on June 29, 1999. The proposed settlement agreement was lodged with the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit on March 13, 2002.

DATES: Written comments on the proposed settlement agreement must be received by April 22, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Timothy D. Backstrom, Air and Radiation Law Office (2344A), Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. A copy of the proposed settlement agreement is available from Phyllis J. Cochran, (202) 564-7606. A copy of the proposed settlement agreement was also lodged in the case with the Clerk of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit on March 13, 2002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA promulgated the National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories: Generic MACT Standards, 40 CFR part 63, subpart YY, on June 29, 1999 (64 FR 34921). Thereafter Petitioner the General Electric Company ("GE") filed a timely petition for review, citing an issue concerning the recordkeeping provision in 40 CFR 63.1109(c). Thereafter, GE raised additional issues pertaining to the definition of "process vent" in 40 CFR 63.1101, which EPA concluded could only be properly resolved in conjunction with related issues being considered with respect to some other MACT standards. The parties have now reached agreement on appropriate revisions to each of these provisions, and on some additional minor corrections as well.

The settlement requires the EPA Administrator to sign a proposed rule incorporating these changes no later than three months after the date the settlement was signed by counsel for the parties. Because EPA believes the proposed amendments are not controversial and are unlikely to elicit adverse comment, and because relatively little time remains before the compliance date for the affected standards, EPA expects to utilize a direct final rule, which will become

final 60 days after publication if no adverse comments are received.

For a period of thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, EPA will receive written comments relating to the proposed settlement agreement from persons who were not named as parties or interveners to the litigation in question. EPA or the Department of Justice may withdraw or withhold consent to the proposed settlement agreement 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, based on any comment which may be submitted, that consent to the settlement agreement should be withdrawn, the terms of the agreement will be affirmed.

Dated: March 14, 2002.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information, (202) 564-7167 or www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

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Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 020100, Draft EIS, FHW, MI, I-94 Jackson Freeway Modernization Project, Improvements between Michigan State Route 60 (M-60) and Sargent Road, Funding, NPDES and COE Section 404 Permits, Jackson County, MI, Comment Period Ends: May 06, 2002, Contact: Ronald Hatched (517) 702-1832.

EIS No. 020101, Draft Supplement, AFS, OK, AR, Vegetation Management in the Ozark/Quachita Mountains, Proposal to Clarify Direction for Conducting Project-Level Inventories for Biological Evaluations (BEs), Qzark, Quachita and St. Francis National Forests, AR and McCurtain and LeFlore Counties, OR, Comment Period Ends: May 06, 2002, Contact: Robert Wilhelm (404) 347-7076.

EIS No. 020102, Draft Supplement, AFS, GA, AL, FL, SC, LA, NC, MS, TX, Vegetation Management in the Coastal