

2040–0268, EPA ICR No. 2169.05; Expiration date—07/31/2017)

- Cooling Water Intake Structures Existing Facilities (OMB Control No. 2040–0257; EPA ICR No. 2060.07 Expiration date—10/31/2017)

- NPDES Electronic Reporting Rule (OMB Control No. 2020–0035; EPA ICR No. 2468.02; Expiration date—1/31/2019)

Permit applications and other respondent reports may contain confidential business information. If a respondent does consider this information to be of a confidential nature, the respondent may request that such information be treated as confidential. All confidential data will be handled in accordance with 40 CFR 122.7, 40 CFR part 2, and EPA's Security Manual part III, chapter 9, dated August 9, 1976.

**Form Numbers:** OMB No. 2040–0086; OMB No. 2040–0250; OMB No. 2040–0188, OMB No. 2040–0211; OMB No. 1004–0189; OMB 2040–0284; OMB No. 0596–0082; and OMB No. 2040–0004.

**Respondents/affected entities:** Any industrial point source discharger of pollutants, including but not limited to publicly owned and privately owned treatment works (POTWs and PrOTWs), industrial dischargers to POTWs and PrOTWs, sewage sludge management and disposal operations, small and large vessels, airports with deicing operations, dischargers of stormwater, construction sites, municipalities, pesticide applicators, local and state governments.

**Respondent's obligation to respond:** Mandatory. Sections 301, 302, 304, 306, 307, 308, 316(b), 401, 402, 403, 405, and 510 of the CWA; the 1987 Water Quality Act (WQA) revisions to CWA section 402(p); 40 (CFR) Parts 122, 123, 124, and 125 (and Parts 501 and 503 for Biosolids); and the Great Lakes Critical Programs Act (CPA).

**Estimated number of respondents:** 935,020 total (934,383 permittees and 637 States/Tribes/Territories).

**Frequency of response:** The frequency of response varies depending on the specific response activity and can range from ongoing and monthly to once every 5 years.

**Total estimated burden:** 28,239,262 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

**Total estimated cost:** \$1,476,244,044 (per year), includes \$43,659,009 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

**Changes in Estimates:** There is a net increase of 836,289 (3%) hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the combined burden of the component ICRs currently approved

by OMB. This minor change in the total is primarily due to a combination of both burden increases and decreases in the component ICRs. Minor changes in the estimated burden occurred for five of the eight component ICRs (NPDES ICR, Pesticide Applicators ICR, National Pretreatment Program ICR, Cooling Water Intake Structures Phase I New Facilities ICR, and the Cooling Water Intake Structures Phase III Facilities ICR). Significant changes occurred for three of the eight component ICRs (Consolidated Animal Sectors ICR, Cooling Water Intake Structures Existing Facility ICR, and Electronic Reporting Rule ICR). These significant changes included:

- A decrease of 12 percent in the animal sector labor burden due to revised EPA estimates based on changes in industry practice, adherence to USDA guidelines, and industry consolidation (OMB Control No. 2040–0250; EPA ICR Number 1989.09);

- an increase of 140 percent in the cooling water intake structures existing facilities labor burden due to the coincidence of the period of greatest implementation burden with the three year ICR period (OMB Control No. 2040–0257; EPA ICR No. 2060.07); and

- a decrease of 164 percent in the electronic reporting rule labor burden due to the reduced need for data input due to increased participation in electronic filing of forms and reports as the rule is implemented (OMB Control No. 2020–0035; EPA ICR No. 2468.02).

Dated: April 26, 2017.

**Sheila E. Frace,**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OAR–2007–1158; FRL–9962–43–OAR]

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Alternative Affirmative Defense Requirements for Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), “Alternative Affirmative Defense Requirements for Ultra-low Sulfur Diesel” (EPA ICR No.2364.05, OMB

Control No. 2060–0639 to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through May 31, 2017. 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.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before August 28, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2007–1158, online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Geanetta Heard, Fuels Compliance Center, 6406J, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202–343–9017; fax number: 202–565–2085; email address: [heard.geanetta@epa.gov](mailto:heard.geanetta@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Supporting documents which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202–566–1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it 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, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (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 appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

**Abstract:** With this ICR renewal, EPA is seeking permission to continue recordkeeping and reporting requirements under the ultra-low sulfur diesel (ULSD) fuel regulations. Where a violation of the 15 ppm sulfur standard is identified at a retail outlet, the retailer responsible for dispensing the noncompliant fuel is deemed liable, as well as the refiner(s), importer(s) and distributor(s) of such fuel. The highway diesel regulations further provide, however, that any person deemed liable can rebut this presumption by establishing an affirmative defense that includes, among other things, showing that it conducted a quality assurance sampling and testing program as prescribed by the regulations. This ICR covers burdens and costs associated with provisions that allow refiners and importers of ULSD an alternative means of meeting the affirmative defense requirements in the diesel sulfur regulations by participating in a nationwide diesel fuel sampling and testing program. The reporting burden covered by this ICR renewal relates to reports that refiners, importers and distributors, have to submit in the event they have a non-complying sulfur test result.

**Form Numbers:** None.

**Respondents/affected entities:** 5.

**Respondent's obligation to respond:** Mandatory.

**Estimated number of respondents:** 5 (total).

**Frequency of response:** On occasion.

**Total estimated burden:** 80 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

**Total estimated cost:** \$8,640 (per year), includes no annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

**Changes in Estimates:** There is no increase of hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared to the ICR

currently approved by OMB. The respondent universe and responses also remained the same in this collection. After using more accurate numbers to calculate industry burden and reflecting inflation, there is a change in respondent cost from \$9,200 in the currently approved ICR to \$8,640 in this ICR, totaling a net decrease to the industry cost burden of \$560 per year.

Dated: May 3, 2017.

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*Director, Compliance Division, Office of Transportation and Air Quality.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2006-0947; FRL-9963-49-OAR]

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Information Collection Request Renewal for the NO<sub>x</sub> Budget Trading Program To Reduce the Regional Transport of Ozone

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "Information Collection Request Renewal for the NO<sub>x</sub> Budget Trading Program To Reduce the Regional Transport of Ozone" (EPA ICR No. 1857.07, OMB Control No. 2060-0445) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through August 31, 2017. 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.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before August 28, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2006-0947, online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), by email to [a-and-r-docket@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:a-and-r-docket@epamail.epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460.

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#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen VanSickle, Clean Air Markets Division, Office of Atmospheric Programs (6204J), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 343-9220; fax number: (202) 343-2361; email address: [vansickle.karen@epa.gov](mailto:vansickle.karen@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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**Abstract:** The NO<sub>x</sub> Budget Trading Program was a market-based cap and trade program created to reduce emissions of nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) from