

questionnaire for the inorganic chemicals industry. Burden Statement: 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.

The average annual burden imposed by the survey and other information collection efforts is approximately 44.0 hours per respondent. The average number of responses for each respondent is 1.2. The estimated number of likely respondents is 119. The information on the burden estimates is clarified in the ICR part A.

Dated: March 25, 1998.

Elizabeth A. Cotsworth,

Acting Director, Office of Solid Waste.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5992-3]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Motor Vehicle Emission Certification and Fuel Economy Compliance; Motorcycles, Light Duty Vehicles and Light Duty Trucks

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 continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Emission Certification and Fuel Economy Compliance; Motorcycles, Light Duty Vehicles and Light Duty Trucks; EPA ICR 0783.37, OMB 2060-0104, expires 31 August 1998. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting

comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 8, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons may obtain a copy of the ICR without charge from: United States Environmental Protection Agency, Vehicle Programs Compliance Division, ATTN: Richard W. Nash, 2565 Plymouth RD, Ann Arbor MI 49105.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard W Nash, 2565 Plymouth Rd, Ann Arbor MI 48105, (313) 668-4412/ (734) 214-4412, E-mail: nash.dick@EPA.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are passenger car, light truck and motorcycle manufacturers and importers.

Title: Emission Certification and Fuel Economy Compliance; Motorcycles, Light Duty Vehicles and Light Duty Trucks; EPA ICR 0783.37, OMB 2060-0104, expires August 31, 1998.

Abstract: Under the Clean Air Act (42 USC 7525), manufacturers and importers of passenger cars, light trucks and motorcycles must have a certificate of conformity issued by EPA covering any vehicle they intend to offer for sale. In addition, car and truck manufacturers (and importers) must also submit information and reports required by the Energy Conservation and Policy Act (15 USC 2000 *et seq.*). EPA reviews vehicle information and test data to verify that the vehicle conforms to appropriate requirements and to verify that the proper testing has been performed. Subsequent audit and enforcement actions may be taken based, in part, on the information submitted. 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 Ch. 15.

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, 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.

Burden Statement: The total labor burden imposed by the Motor Vehicle Emission Certification and Fuel Economy Compliance program is approximately 968,175 hours/year. The annual operating and capitalized costs are \$3 million and \$9.7 million respectively. Approximately 70 respondents are regulated by this program. 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.

Dated: April 1, 1998.

Richard D. Wilson,

Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Science Advisory Board; Request for Nomination of Members and Consultants

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with its standard operating procedures (SAB-FRL-2657-4 dated August 21, 1984), the Science Advisory Board (SAB), including the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) and the Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis (Council), previously referred to as the Clean Air Act Compliance Advisory Council (CAACAC), of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

is soliciting nominations for Members and Consultants (M/Cs). As part of this effort, the Agency is publishing this notice to describe the purpose of the SAB and to invite the public to nominate appropriately qualified candidates to fill upcoming vacancies. This process supplements other efforts to identify qualified candidates.

The SAB is composed of non-Federal government scientists and engineers who are employed on an intermittent basis to provide independent advice directly to the EPA Administrator on technical aspects of public health and environmental issues confronting the Agency. Members of the SAB are appointed by the Administrator—generally in October—to serve two years terms with some possibilities for reappointment. Consultants are appointed throughout the year, as the need arises, by the Staff Director of the Science Advisory Board to serve renewable one-year terms and serve on SAB committees, as needed. Many individuals serve as Consultants prior to serving as Members.

Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified persons to serve on the SAB. Nominees should be qualified by education, training and experience to evaluate scientific, engineering and/or economics information on issues referred to and addressed by the Board. The principal criteria in the membership selection process are:

- a. Technical competence.
- b. Independence.
- c. Ability to work in a committee environment.
- d. Overall balance of technical points of view on the SAB Historically, between 15 and 20 new Members and between 30 and 40 new consultants are appointed each year.

Members and Consultants most often serve in association with one of the following standing committees: Advisory Council on Clean Air Compliance Analysis, Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee, Drinking Water Committee, Ecological Processes and Effects Committee, Environmental Economics Advisory Committee, Environmental Engineering Committee, Environmental Health Committee, Integrated Human Exposure Committee, Radiation Advisory Committee, and Research Strategies Advisory Committee.

Members and Consultants can expect to attend 1–6 meetings per year, based upon the activity of the committee on which they serve. M/Cs generally serve as Special Government Employees (SGEs) (40 CFR part 3, subpart F or EPA

Ethics Advisory 88–6 dated 7/6/88) and receive compensation, in addition to reimbursement at the Federal government rate for travel and per diem expenses while serving on the SAB. SGEs are required to complete an application package, including a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report.

Nominees should be identified by name, occupation, position, address, telephone number, fax number, email address (if available) and SAB committee of primary interest. Nominations should include a current resume or curriculum vitae that addresses the nominee's background, experience, qualifications, and specific areas of expertise (e.g., genetic toxicologist, resource economist, etc.).

Information on the nominees will be evaluated and entered into the SAB's M/C data base which will be consulted whenever vacancies arise and/or when special expertise is needed for particular reviews. This request for nominations does not imply any commitment by the Agency to select individuals to serve as a Member of or Consultant to the Science Advisory Board from the responses received.

Nominations should be submitted to: Ms. Carolyn Osborne, Project Coordinator, Science Advisory Board, USEPA, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460 Tel: (202) 260–9644 no later than May 15, 1998. Additional information concerning the Science Advisory Board, its structure, function, and composition, may be found in the Annual Report of the Staff Director which is available at the SAB Website URL <http://www.epa.gov/science1> or by calling (202) 260–8414 or by INTERNET at BARNES.Don@EPAMAIL.GOV.

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Donald G. Barnes,

Staff Director, Science Advisory Board.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–5992–7]

Stakeholder Meetings on the Public Review Draft Guidelines for the Certification and Recertification of the Operators of Community and Nontransient Noncommunity Public Water Systems

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Announcement of Stakeholder Meetings.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will hold three regional public meetings to gather information and collect opinions from parties who will be affected by or are otherwise interested in the Guidelines for the Certification and Recertification of the Operators of Community and Nontransient Noncommunity Public Water Systems. EPA will consider the comments and views expressed at these meetings in developing the final guidelines. EPA encourages the full participation of all stakeholders throughout this process.

DATES AND LOCATIONS: The stakeholder meetings regarding the Public Review Draft Guidelines for the Certification and Recertification of the Operators of Community and Nontransient Noncommunity Public Water Systems will be held as follows:

- (1) Thursday, April 23, 1998, 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. PT., San Francisco, CA.
- (2) Tuesday, June 2, 1998, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET., Washington, DC.
- (3) Tuesday, June 9, 1998, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. CT., Dallas, TX.

ADDRESSES: The April 23, 1998 stakeholder meeting will be held in the American Samoa Room, U.S. EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA. The June 2, 1998 stakeholder meeting will be held in the WIC Conference Room 17, U.S. EPA Headquarters, 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC. The June 9, 1998 stakeholder meeting will be held in the Arkansas Room, U.S. EPA Region VI, 1445 Ross Avenue, 12th Floor, Dallas, TX.

To register for a meeting, please contact the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1–800–426–4791, or Jenny Jacobs of EPA's Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water at (202) 260–2939. Participants registering in advance will be mailed a packet of materials before the meeting. Interested parties who cannot attend the meeting in person may participate via conference call and should register with the Safe Drinking Water Hotline. Conference lines are limited and will be allocated on the basis of first-reserved, first served.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information on meeting logistics, please contact the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1–800–426–4791. For information on the activities related to these guidelines, contact: Jenny Jacobs, U.S. EPA at (202) 260–2939 or e-mail at jacobs.jenny@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Amendments of 1996 direct the EPA, in cooperation with the States, to publish