

application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit—A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION", "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to

have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6410-6]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Design for the Environment Reporting; Submission of ICR No. 1768.02 to OMB; Agency Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of submission to OMB.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) entitled: "DfE Collection of Impact Data on Technical Information," [EPA ICR No. 1768.02; OMB Control No. 2070-0152] has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to the OMB procedures in 5 CFR 1320.12. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated cost and burden.

The Agency is requesting that OMB renew for 3 years the existing approval for this ICR, which is scheduled to expire on October 31, 1999. A **Federal Register** notice announcing the Agency's intent to seek the renewal of this ICR and the 60-day public comment opportunity, requesting comments on the request and the contents of the ICR, was issued on March 12, 1999 (64 FR 12314). EPA did not receive any comments on this ICR during the comment period.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before August 30, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone on (202) 260-2740, by e-mail: "farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov," or download a copy of the ICR off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr/icr.htm> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1768.02.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 1768.02 and OMB Control No. 2070-0152, to the following addresses:

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Regulatory

Information Division (Mail Code: 2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460;

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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Review Requested: This is a request to renew a currently approved information collection pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12.

ICR Numbers: EPA ICR No. 1768.02; OMB Control No. 2070-0152.

Current Expiration Date: Current OMB approval expires on October 31, 1999.

Title: DfE Collection of Impact Data on Technical Information.

Abstract: EPA's Design for the Environment (DfE) program is a voluntary, non-regulatory approach to encourage industry to adopt technologies and use materials that result in lower levels of pollution, lessened reliance on toxic materials, higher energy efficiency and lower environmental health risks. Through DfE, EPA creates partnerships with industry, professional organizations, state and local governments, other federal agencies and the public to develop and disseminate technical information.

This information collection is a generic ICR for a series of surveys, referred to as DfE Technical Information Impact Studies, to undertake data collection in support of EPA's DfE program. The studies will focus on various industrial sectors such as printing, printed wiring board circuitry and dry cleaning. The purpose of all DfE Technical Information Impact Studies is to evaluate the impact of DfE technical information on industry practices, use of materials and waste generation. In each case, EPA, often in collaboration with industry associations and universities, will have developed technical information for industry on the use of product reclamation processes and other workplace practices that may lower health risks to workers and prevent pollution. The proposed studies will each involve two separate surveys of owners or operators of target industry establishments. The initial survey will establish a baseline representing pre-technical information receipt. A follow-up survey will be administered approximately two years later to establish longer-term impacts of the technical materials. The overall goal of this before-and-after design is to understand the impacts of DfE technical information on workplace practices and

technologies that generate or prevent pollution. This generic ICR will allow EPA to conduct a series of small, conceptually interrelated surveys. It will permit the DfE program the ability to collect information in a timely manner and to evaluate the effectiveness of the technical materials EPA provides to industry. EPA will be the principal user of information developed from the survey findings, but EPA expects that tens of thousands of small businesses in a variety of industry sectors will benefit from the results of the studies.

Responses to the collection of information are voluntary. Respondents may claim all or part of a notice confidential. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14 and 40 CFR part 2.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to be 2 hours per response for an estimated 7,500 respondents making one or more submissions of information annually. These estimates include 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. No person is required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for these regulations are displayed in 40 CFR Part 9.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are companies or industries that are part of industry sectors that may interact with EPA in the Agency's DfE program.

Estimated No. of Respondents: 7,500.
Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 15,000 hours.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Changes in Burden Estimates

There is an increase (from 1,000 hours to 15,000 hours) in the total estimated respondent burden as compared with that identified in the information collection request most recently approved by OMB. This increase reflects

the expectation that greater numbers of respondents in more industry sectors will participate in surveys, as EPA's DfE program becomes better known and more popular and increases its scope. The earlier ICR anticipated 800 annual respondents to surveys, whereas the current request projects 7,500 respondents annually.

According to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12, EPA has submitted this ICR to OMB for review and approval. Any comments related to the renewal of this ICR should be submitted within 30 days of this notice, as described above.

Dated: July 26, 1999.

Stephen T. Vineski,

Acting Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6410-5]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Notice of Intent for Storm Water Discharges Associated With Construction Activity Under a NPDES General Permit

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: Notice of Intent for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activity under a NPDES General Permit, OMB Control No. 2040-0188, EPA ICR No. 1842.02, which expires on September 30, 1999. 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 August 30, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by email at farmer.sandy@epa.gov, or download a copy of the ICR off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1842.02.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Notice of Intent for Storm Water Discharges Associated with

Construction Activity under a NPDES General Permit (OMB Control No. 2040-0188; EPA ICR No. 1842.02, expires on 9/30/99). This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: This ICR calculates the burden and costs associated with the preparation of the Notice of Intent (NOI) for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activity under a NPDES General Permit, and the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). EPA uses the data contained in the NOIs to track facilities covered by the storm water general permit and assess permit compliance. EPA has developed a format for construction NOIs. The standardized one-page form is called: Notice of Intent (NOI) for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activity Under a NPDES General Permit. This form is a revision of an existing form entitled, "NOI for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity Under a NPDES General Permit." The new construction NOI only requires the respondent to note whether or not a SWPPP has been prepared. The following information is requested (the questions that are on the new NOI which are not on the existing NOI are indicated by asterisks at the end of the item):

- Name, address, phone number of the facility.
 - Status of the owner/operator (whether federal, state, public, or private).
 - Name and location of the project (City, State, ZIP, Latitude, Longitude, County)*.
 - Whether the facility is located on Indian Country Lands.
 - Whether a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) has been prepared.*
 - Optional: location for viewing SWPPP and telephone number for scheduling viewing times: Address, City, State, ZIP.*
 - The name of the receiving water.
 - Estimated construction start date and completion date.
 - The estimated area to be disturbed (to nearest acre).
 - An estimate of the likelihood of a discharge.*
 - Whether any protected species or critical habitat in the project area.
 - Which section of Part I.B.3.e.(2) of the permit through which permit eligibility with regard to protection of endangered species is satisfied.
- Responses are required to obtain coverage under the NPDES General Permit for storm water discharges associated with construction activities.
- An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to