Abstract: Starting in the fall and spring of the 1998-99 school year with a cohort of kindergartners, this cohort was contacted again in the fall and in the spring of their first grade year and in their third grade and fifth grade years. This clearance is to conduct a full scale data collection for the eighth grade assessment and background questionnaires.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from http:// edicsweb.ed.gov, by selecting the ''Browse Pending Collections'' link and by clicking on link number 3151. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202–4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-245–6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education **SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 25, 2006.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere

with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: July 19, 2006.

Angela C. Arrington,

IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.

Federal Student Aid

Type of Review: Extension. Title: National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS).

Frequency: On occasion; weekly; monthly; quarterly.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; Businesses or other forprofit; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 34,976 Burden Hours: 134,840.

Abstract: The U.S. Department of Education will collect data from postsecondary schools and guaranty agencies about federal Perkins loans, federal family education loans, and William D. Ford direct student loans to be used to determine eligibility for Title IV student financial aid.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from http://edicsweb.ed.gov, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3156. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view.

Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202–4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-245–6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when

making your request. Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8203-3]

Office of Research and Development; **Ambient Air Monitoring Reference and Equivalent Methods: Designation of Two New Reference Methods**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of the designation of two new reference methods for monitoring ambient air quality.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated, in accordance with 40 CFR part 53, two new reference methods, one each for measuring concentrations of particulate matter as PM₁₀ and nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) in the ambient air.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elizabeth Hunike, Human Exposure and Atmospheric Sciences Division (MD-D205–03), National Exposure Research Laboratory, U.S. EPA, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711. Phone: (919) 541-3737, e-mail: Hunike.Elizabeth@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: ${\rm In}$

accordance with regulations at 40 CFR Part 53, the EPA evaluates various methods for monitoring the concentrations of those ambient air pollutants for which EPA has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQSs) as set forth in 40 CFR part 50. Monitoring methods that are determined to meet specific requirements for adequacy are designated by the EPA as either reference methods or equivalent methods (as applicable), thereby

permitting their use under 40 CFR part 58 by States and other agencies for determining attainment of the NAAQSs.

The EPA hereby announces the designation of two new reference methods for measuring concentrations of PM_{10} and NO_2 in the ambient air. These designations are made under the provisions of 40 CFR part 53, as amended on July 18, 1997 (62 FR 38764).

The new reference method for PM₁₀ is a manual method that is based on a particular, commercially available high volume PM₁₀ sampler, as specified in appendix J of 40 CFR part 50. The newly designated reference method is identified as follows: RFPS–0706–162, Ecotech Pty. Ltd. Model 3000 PM₁₀ High Volume Air Sampler, configured with the Ecotech PM₁₀ Size-Selective Inlet (SSI) (P–ECO–HVS3000–02), with the flow rate set to 1.13 m³/min (67.8 m³/hour).

An application for a reference method determination for the method based on this Ecotech sampler was received by the EPA on November 29, 2005. The sampler is available commercially from the applicant, Ecotech Pty. Ltd., 12 Apollo Court, Blackburn, Victoria 3130, Australia.

The new reference method for NO_2 is an automated method (analyzer) that utilizes the measurement principle (gas phase chemiluminescence) and calibration procedure specified in appendix F of 40 CFR part 50. This newly designated NO_2 reference method is identified as follows: RFNA–0706–0163, "Seres Model NO_X 2000 G Nitrogen Dioxide Ambient Air Analyzer" operated with a full scale measurement range of 0–0.50 ppm, at any ambient temperature in the range of 20 °C to 30 °C.

An application for a reference method determination for the Seres Model NO_X 2000 G was received by the EPA on January 19, 2006. The analyzer is available commercially from the applicant, Seres, 360, Rue Louis de Broglie, La Duranne BP 87000, 13793 Aix en Provence, Cedex 3, France (http://www.seres-france.com).

Samplers or a test analyzer representative of each of these methods have been tested in accordance with the applicable test procedures specified in 40 CFR part 53 (as amended on July 18, 1997). After reviewing the results of those tests and other information submitted by the applicants in the respective applications, EPA has determined, in accordance with part 53, that each of these methods should be designated as a reference method. The information submitted by the applicants in their respective applications will be

kept on file, either at EPA's National Exposure Research Laboratory, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711 or in an approved archive storage facility, and will be available for inspection (with advance notice) to the extent consistent with 40 CFR part 2 (EPA's regulations implementing the Freedom of Information Act).

As a designated reference or equivalent method, each of these methods is acceptable for use by states and other air monitoring agencies under the requirements of 40 CFR part 58, Ambient Air Quality Surveillance. For such purposes, the method must be used in strict accordance with the operation or instruction manual associated with the method and subject to any specifications and limitations (e.g., configuration or operational settings) specified in the applicable designation method description (see the identifications of the methods above).

Use of each method should also be in general accordance with the guidance and recommendations of applicable sections of the "Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume I," EPA/ 600/R-94/038a and "Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume II, part 1," EPA-454/R-98-004 (available at http://www.epa.gov/ttn/amtic/ gabook.html). Vendor modifications of a designated reference or equivalent method used for purposes of Part 58 are permitted only with prior approval of the EPA, as provided in Part 53. Provisions concerning modification of such methods by users are specified under section 2.8 (Modifications of Methods by Users) of Appendix C to 40 CFR part 58.

In general, a method designation applies to any sampler or analyzer which is identical to the sampler or analyzer described in the application for designation. In some cases, similar samplers or analyzers manufactured prior to the designation may be upgraded or converted (e.g., by minor modification or by substitution of the approved operation or instruction manual) so as to be identical to the designated method and thus achieve designated status. The manufacturer should be consulted to determine the feasibility of such upgrading or conversion.

Part 53 requires that sellers of designated reference or equivalent method analyzers or samplers comply with certain conditions. These conditions are specified in 40 CFR 53.9 and are summarized below:

(a) A copy of the approved operation or instruction manual must accompany

the sampler or analyzer when it is delivered to the ultimate purchaser.

- (b) The sampler or analyzer must not generate any unreasonable hazard to operators or to the environment.
- (c) The sampler or analyzer must function within the limits of the applicable performance specifications given in 40 CFR parts 50 and 53 for at least one year after delivery when maintained and operated in accordance with the operation or instruction manual.
- (d) Any sampler or analyzer offered for sale as part of a reference or equivalent method must bear a label or sticker indicating that it has been designated as part of a reference or equivalent method in accordance with part 53 and showing its designated method identification number.
- (e) If such an analyzer has two or more selectable ranges, the label or sticker must be placed in close proximity to the range selector and indicate which range or ranges have been included in the reference or equivalent method designation.
- (f) An applicant who offers samplers or analyzers for sale as part of a reference or equivalent method is required to maintain a list of ultimate purchasers of such samplers or analyzers and to notify them within 30 days if a reference or equivalent method designation applicable to the method has been canceled or if adjustment of the sampler or analyzer is necessary under 40 CFR 53.11(b) to avoid a cancellation.
- (g) An applicant who modifies a sampler or analyzer previously designated as part of a reference or equivalent method is not permitted to sell the sampler or analyzer (as modified) as part of a reference or equivalent method (although it may be sold without such representation), nor to attach a designation label or sticker to the sampler or analyzer (as modified) under the provisions described above, until the applicant has received notice under 40 CFR 53.14(c) that the original designation or a new designation applies to the method as modified, or until the applicant has applied for and received notice under 40 CFR 53.8(b) of a new reference or equivalent method determination for the sampler or analyzer as modified.

Aside from occasional breakdowns or malfunctions, consistent or repeated noncompliance with any of these conditions should be reported to: Director, Human Exposure and Atmospheric Sciences Division (MD– E205–01), National Exposure Research Laboratory, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711.

Designation of these new reference and equivalent methods is intended to assist the States in establishing and operating their air quality surveillance systems under 40 CFR 58. Questions concerning the commercial availability or technical aspects of the method should be directed to the applicant.

Jewel F. Morris,

Acting Director, National Exposure Research Laboratory.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8203-2]

Proposed Agreement for Settlement of Response Costs, Site Access, Institutionial Controls and Conditional Convenant Not To Sue for the Superior Waste Rock Superfund Site, Mineral County, MT

Environmental Protection Agency.

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

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of section 122(h)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9622(h)(1), notice is hereby given of the proposed administrative settlement under section 122(h) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(h) between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and Mineral County Montana; the Town of Superior, Montana; and the Superior School District, Montana (collectively, "Settling Parties"). The Settling Parties will consent to and will not contest the authority of the United States to enter into this Agreement or to implement or enforce its terms. In return, the Settling Parties receive a Covenant Not to Sue from EPA. The EPA has incurred response costs totaling approximately \$1,109,446.43 through February 28, 2006, and any additional Response Costs through the present date. EPA alleges that Settling Parties are Potentially Responsible Parties pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a), and are jointly and severally liable for Response Costs incurred and to be incurred at or in connection with the Site. EPA has reviewed the financial information submitted by Settling Parties and based upon this information, EPA has determined that none of the three

Settling Parties has the financial ability to pay for Response Costs incurred and to be incurred at the Site. The Settling Parties agree to provide EPA access at all reasonable times to the Site and to any other property owned or controlled by the Settling Parties for the purpose of conducting any response activity related to the Site. The Settling Parties shall refrain from using the Site, or such other property, in any manner that would interfere with or adversely affect the implementation, integrity, ongoing operations and maintenance of the containment cell or protectiveness of the Site response. Such restrictions are defined as Institutional Controls, and are part of the subject Agreement. The Settling Parties agree to fulfill all Notice and Recording requirements associated with the terms of the subject Agreement.

The Settling Parties have executed and recorded certain Institutional Controls in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder of Mineral County, Montana and provided EPA with a certified copy of the original recorded Institutional Controls, showing the clerk's recording stamps. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement, EPA retains all of its access authorities and rights, including enforcement authorities related thereto, under CERCLA, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), and any other applicable statutes or regulations. EPA's covenant not to sue is conditioned upon the satisfactory performance by the Settling Parties of their obligations under this Agreement. This covenant not to sue is also conditioned upon the veracity and completeness of the Financial Information provided to EPA by the Settling Parties. The Settling Parties recognize that this Agreement has been negotiated in good faith and that this Agreement is entered into without the admission or adjudication of any issue of fact or law.

DATES: Comments concerning this Agreement are due by August 24, 2006. The Agency will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the Agreement if comments received disclose facts or considerations that indicate that the Agreement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate.

ADDRESSES: The Agency will place its response to any comments received as a result of this Notice, the proposed Agreement and additional background information relating to the Agreement in the Superfund Records Center where documents are available for public inspection. The EPA Superfund Record Center is located at 999 18th Street, Suite 300, 5th Floor, in Denver,

Colorado. Comments and requests for a copy of the proposed Agreement should be addressed to Maureen O'Reilly, Enforcement Specialist, Environmental Protection Agency—Region 8, Mail Code 8ENF–RC, 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado 80202–2466, and should reference the Superior Waste Rock Superfund Site, SSID# 08ER, Mineral County, Montana.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steven Moores, Enforcement Attorney, Legal Enforcement Program, Environmental Protection Agency— Region 8, Mail Code 8ENF–L, 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado 80202–2466, (303) 312–6857.

Dated: July 12, 2006.

Carol Rushin,

Assistant Regional Administrator, Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice, Region VIII.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8203-4]

Extension of Public Comment Period for the Proposed Reissuance of General NPDES Permits (GPs) for Aquaculture Facilities in Idaho Subject to Wasteload Allocations Under Selected Total Maximum Daily Loads (Permit Number IDG-13-0000), Cold Water Aquaculture Facilities in Idaho (Not Subject to Wasteload Allocations) (Permit Number IDG-13-1000), and Fish Processors Associated With Aquaculture Facilities in Idaho (Permit Number IDG-13-2000)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Extension of Public Comment Period on three draft general NPDES permits for Idaho aquaculture facilities and associated fish processors.

SUMMARY: On June 19, 2006, EPA Region 10 proposed to reissue three general permits to cover aquaculture facilities and associated fish processors in Idaho. 71 FR 35269. In response to requests from the regulated community, EPA is extending the public comment period from August 3 to August 18, 2006.

DATES: The end of the public comment period is now extended to August 18, 2006. Comments must be received or postmarked by that date.

Public Comment: Interested persons may submit written comments on the draft permits to the attention of Sharon Wilson at the address below. All comments should include the name,