

[FRL-5255-1]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before August 7, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL: Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, please refer to EPA ICR #1734.02.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxics**

Title: Use and Exposure Information Voluntary Project. (EPA ICR No.: 1734.02). This is a new collection.

Abstract: EPA will collect, from members of the chemical industry, use and exposure information on chemical substances in commerce that are subject to OPPT's Risk Management (RM) review process. Members of the chemical industry will report data on exposures at manufacturing sites as well as information on subsequent exposures by users of the substances in commerce.

Participation is strictly voluntary; however, EPA anticipates a high response rate because of the active participation of the major chemical industry trade associations in the development of the questionnaire.

EPA amended this ICR to respond to comments received from the public.

EPA will use the information collected under this ICR to meet their responsibility under the Existing Chemicals Program to screen, assess and develop strategies for managing risks posed by chemical substances in commerce.

Burden Statement: Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 hours per respondent for reporting. There is no recordkeeping requirement. This estimate includes the time needed to review instructions, gather and submit the information, and report the information.

Respondents: Manufacturers and importers of chemical substances.

Estimated number of respondents: 120 respondents.

Estimated number of responses per respondents: 1.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 1,200 hours.

Frequency of collection: Twice a year.

Send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, (please refer to EPA ICR #1734.02 to: Sandy Farmer, EPA ICR #1734.02, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Regulatory Information Division (2136), 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

and
Tim Hunt, Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503.

Dated: June 29, 1995.

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Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response

Title: Emergency Planning and Release Notification Requirements (EPCRA sections 302, 303, and 304)—EPA #1395.02; OMB #2050-0092). This ICR requests reinstatement of a previously approved ICR.

Abstract: The Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) established broad emergency planning and facility reporting requirements. Section 302 (40 CFR 355.30) requires any facility here an

extremely hazardous substance (EHS) is present in an amount at or in excess of the threshold planning quantity (TPQ) to notify the state emergency response commission (SERC) by May 17, 1987. This activity has been completed; the section 302 costs and burden hours for this ICR, therefore, reflect only the estimate of the cost and burden incurred by those additional facilities who come to have an EHS in excess of the PQ during the years 1995 through 1998.

Section 303 (40 CFR 355.30) requires local emergency planning committees (LEPCs) to prepare emergency plans for facilities that have EHSs in excess of the TPQ's in their local planning district. Facilities are required to provide local planners with information necessary for the preparation of emergency plans. In addition, the facilities are required to inform LEPCs of any relevant changes in chemical use or production that may effect the emergency plans. Section 303 requires LEPCs to complete their emergency plans by October 17, 1988. This ICR therefore reflects the costs attributable to the requirement of annually updating the local emergency response plans.

Section 304 (40 CFR 355.40) requires facilities to report to SERCs and LEPCs releases in excess of quantities established by EPA. Facilities are required to report releases above the reportable quantity (RQ) of any EHS or other hazardous substance identified under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA). Notice of release must be given to both the LEPC and SERC. In addition, facilities must provide a written follow-up report providing additional information on the release, its impacts, and any actions taken in response.

Burden Statement: The average reporting burden for regulated facilities is estimated to be 175,941 hours. This estimate includes the notification that the facility is subject, informing LEPCs of any changes which may affect emergency planning, notification of emergency releases, and the development and submittal of written follow-up notices after reportable releases.

The average burden on state and local entities (SERCs and LEPCs) is estimated to be 796,721 hours. This estimate includes updating emergency plans (LEPCs), review of emergency plans (SERCs), and the retention of records of all emergency response plans, MSDSs, and inventory forms and make them available to the public.

Respondents: All states are required to create State Emergency Response