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) listed below is coming up for renewal. Before submitting the renewal package to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 1, 1995.

ADDRESSES: United States Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, Office of Compliance, Manufacturing, Energy and Transportation Division, Energy and Transportation Branch (2223A), 401 M Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Rafael Sánchez, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, Office of Compliance, Manufacturing, Energy and Transportation Division, Energy and Transportation Branch (2223A), 401 M Street SW. Telephone: (202) 564–7028. Facsimile: (202) 564–0050.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected entities: Entities affected by this action are those which the total of all loading racks at which benzene is loaded into tank trucks, railcars, or marine vessels at each benzene production facility and each bulk terminal.

Title: NESHAP for Benzene Emissions from Bulk Transfer Operations—40 CFR Part 61, Subpart BB, OMB No. 2060–0182, Expiration Date: 1/31/96.

Abstract: The National Emission Standards for Benzene Emissions from Benzene Transfer Operations were proposed on September 14, 1989 and promulgated on March 7, 1990. The standards are codified at 40 CFR Part 61, Subpart BB.

These standards apply to the following facilities in benzene transfer operations: The total of all loading racks at which benzene is loaded into tank trucks, railcars, or marine vessels at each benzene production facility and each bulk terminal. Specifically exempted from the regulation are loading racks at which only the following are loaded: benzene-laden waste (covered under Subpart FF of Part 61), gasoline, crude oil, natural gas liquids, petroleum distillates (e.g., fuel oil, diesel, or kerosene), or benzeneladen liquid from coke by-product recovery plants. Any affected facility which loads only liquid containing less

than 70 weight-percent benzene or whose annual benzene loading is less than 1.3 million liters of 70 weight-percent or more benzene is exempt from the control requirements and need only maintain records and submit an initial report. The control requirements for bulk transfer facilities require that benzene emissions be routed to a control device that achieves a 98 weight-percent emissions reduction, and (2) that loading of benzene be limited to vapor-tight tank trucks or vapor-tight railcars.

Owners or operators of the affected facilities described must make the following one-time-only notices or reports: notification of anticipated startup; notification of actual startup; initial compliance report (or control exemption by sources below cut-off); notification of emission test, report following an emission test; notification of a monitoring system performance test; and report following a monitoring system performance test. These notifications and reports are general provisions and required of all sources subject to any NESHAP.

Monitoring and recording requirements specific to benzene transfer operating include vaportightness documentation, and monitoring and operation parameters specific to the control method chosen (incinerator, vent valves status, steam generator, process heater, flare, carbon adsorption). Sources must maintain records of periods exceeding most recent performance test parameters, including the date and time of any exceedance or deviation, the nature and cause of the malfunction and corrective measures taken.

Owners or operators are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any period during which the monitoring system is malfunctioning or inoperative. Reporting requirements specific to benzene transfer operations include an initial engineering report and a quarterly report by affected facilities subject to the standards at § 61.302. The quarterly reports include excess emissions and deviations in operating parameters. Sources not subject to the control standards must continue to record information and must file a report only the first year.

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:

(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 collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement

The majority of industry costs associated with the information collection activity in the standards are labor costs. The current average annual burden to industry from these recordkeeping and reporting requirements is estimated at 14,685 person-hours. The respondent costs have been calculated on the basis of \$14.50 per hour plus 110 percent overhead. The current average annual burden to industry is estimated to be \$447,158.

In addition to the loading rack affected facilities, owners and operators of tank trucks, railcars, and marine vessels are also impacted by the standards. Based upon available information, it has been estimated that there are 97 tank trucks and railcars, and 131 marine vessels subject to the standards. All tank trucks and railcars must be tested annually to ensure vaportightness. Marine vessels must either be checked for vapor-tightness or operated at negative pressure. In calculations of burden, 65 marine vessels are assumed to conduct vapor-tightness tests.

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 EPA's regulations are displayed in 40 CFR Part 9.

Send comments regarding these matters, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the address listed above.

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Retrofit/Rebuild Requirements for 1993 and Earlier Model Year Urban Buses; Approval of a Notification of Intent To Certify Equipment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.