

and respondents will be offered the opportunity to review a summary of the interview before publication. 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 Chapter 15. The Federal Register Notice required under CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on March 22, 1996 (FR Volume 61, Number 57).

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.67 hours per response. 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.

**Respondents/Affected Entities:** 60.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 30.

**Frequency of Response:** One time.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 85 hours.

**Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden:** \$0.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1782.01 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 10460.  
and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Desk Officer for EPA 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated June 3, 1996.  
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**Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review; National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Mercury**

**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) for the National Emission Standard for Mercury (40 CFR Part 61, Subpart E) described 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 burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before July 11, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL:** Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 0113.06.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Title:** National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air.

**Pollutants:** Mercury (Part 61, Subpart E).

This information collection is a renewal of an existing collection.

**Abstract:** A national emission standard was developed for mercury ore processing facilities, mercury chlor-alkali plants, and sludge incineration and drying plants to ensure that emissions from these facilities do not cause ambient concentrations of mercury to exceed the inhalation effects limit of 1 microgram per cubic meter. In order to ensure compliance with the standards, adequate recordkeeping and reporting is necessary. This information enables the Agency to: (1) Identify the sources subject to the standard; (2) ensure initial compliance with emission limits; and (3) verify continuous compliance with the standard. Responses are mandatory under 40 CFR Part 61. 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 Chapter

15. The Federal Register Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on March 26, 1996 [61 FR 13185].

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.3 hour per response. 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.

**Respondents/Affected Entities:** 298.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 298.

**Frequency of Response:** semi-annually, annually.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 37,066 hours.

**Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden:** \$0.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 0113.06 and OMB Control No. 2060-0097 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460  
and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 4, 1996.  
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*Director, Regulatory Information Division.*  
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