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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5852-1]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Cooperative Agreements and Superfund State Contracts for Superfund Response Actions

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 EPA is planning to submit the following proposed and/or continuing Information Collection Requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Cooperative Agreements and Superfund State Contracts for Superfund Response Actions (EPA ICR No. 1487.06, OMB Control No. 2010-0020). Before submitting the ICRs to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collections as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 2, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Office of Grants and Debarment, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, Mailstop 3903F.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Remit comments to William G. Hedling, (202) 260-8269/Fax: (202) 401-2350; E-mail: hedling.william@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those which apply for EPA assistance under EPA's Superfund Rule (40 CFR part 35, subpart O).

Title: Cooperative Agreements and Superfund State Contracts EPA ICR No. 1487.06, OMB Control No. 2010-0020, Expiration 02/28/98.

Abstract: This is a request for a renewal of an existing Information Collection Request (ICR) due to expire on 2/28/98. This ICR authorizes the collection of information under EPA's Superfund Rule (40 CFR, part 35, subpart O) that establishes the administrative requirements for the Comprehensive Environmental

Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA)—funded cooperative agreements for State, local and Federally recognized Indian tribal government response actions. The regulation also codifies the administrative requirements for Superfund State Contracts for non-State lead remedial responses. This regulation includes only those provisions as mandated by CERCLA, required by OMB Circulars, or added by EPA to ensure sound and effective financial assistance management. This SF-83 includes all of these requirements under OMB Control Number 2010-0020. The information required by this regulation will be used by EPA award officials to make assistance awards, to approve payments, and to verify that the recipient is using Federal funds appropriately to comply with OMB Circulars and in meeting the cost recovery provisions of CERCLA. 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.

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, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

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

Burden Statement: The annual burden for this collection is estimated to average 10 hours per response. The estimated annual number of respondents is approximately 500. Therefore, the estimated total burden hours on respondents: $(10 \times 500) = 5,000$. The frequency of collection: As required. 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. Send comments regarding these matters, or any other aspect of information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the address listed above.

Dated: June 26, 1997.

Gary M. Katz,

Director, Grants Administration Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5852-4]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Combined Sewer Overflow Control Policy

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 following Information Collection Request (ICR) renewal has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Information Collection Request for the Combined Sewer Overflow Control Policy (OMB Control Number 2040-0170; EPA ICR Number 1680.02; Expiration Date: August 31, 1997). 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 1, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL: Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 1680.02.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Information Collection Request for the Combined Sewer Overflow Control Policy (OMB Control Number 2040-0170; EPA ICR Number 1680.02). This is a request for an extension of a currently approved information collection that expires on June 30, 1997.

Abstract: The information to be collected under this request is the