

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: This rule incorporates the Agency's streamlined process for Tribes to be determined eligible to implement directly provisions of the CAA. Some of the Tribes may have compiled the information necessary to apply for eligibility determination for purposes of the Clean Water Act or Safe Drinking Water Act. The number of respondents will vary depending upon air quality conditions and major sources on reservations. The annual burden associated with eligibility is estimated to be 40 hours per Tribe and average respondent per hour labor cost is \$25.13, with no associated projected capital or Operations and Management costs. The estimated number of respondent Tribes applying for CAA programs over the next three years is 36.

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.

Dated: October 22, 1997.

Richard D. Wilson,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Air & Radiation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00506; FRL-5747-8]

Versar Inc.; Transfer of Data

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice to certain persons who have submitted information to EPA in connection with pesticide information requirements imposed under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA). Versar Inc. has been awarded a contract to perform work for the EPA Office of Pesticide Programs, and will be provided access to certain information submitted to EPA under FIFRA and FFDCA. Some of this information may have been claimed to be confidential business information (CBI) by submitters. This information will be transferred to Versar Inc. consistent with the requirements of 40 CFR 2.307(h)(3) and 2.308(i)(2), and will enable Versar Inc. to fulfill the obligations of the contract.

DATES: Versar Inc. will be given access to this information no sooner than November 3, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: BeWanda B. Alexander, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location, telephone number, and e-mail address: Rm. 700N, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-5259, e-mail:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under Contract No. 68-W6-0030, Versar Inc. will perform reviews of pesticide field exposure studies for planned program activities, special review, and reregistration for the Chemistry and Exposure Branches of the Office of Pesticide Programs. This contract involves no subcontractor. The Office of Pesticide Programs has determined that access by Versar Inc. to information on all pesticide chemicals is necessary for the performance of this contract. Some of this information may be entitled to confidential treatment. The information has been submitted to EPA under sections 3, 4, 6, and 7 of FIFRA and under sections 408 and 409 of FFDCA.

In accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 2.307(h)(2), the contract with Versar Inc. prohibits use of the information for any purpose not

specified in the contract; prohibits disclosure of the information to a third party without prior written approval from the Agency; and requires that each official and employee of the contractor sign an agreement to protect the information from unauthorized release and to handle it in accordance with the FIFRA Information Security Manual. In addition, Versar Inc. is required to submit for EPA approval a security plan under which any CBI will be secured and protected against unauthorized release or compromise. No information will be provided to this contractor until the above requirements have been fully satisfied. Records of information provided to this contractor will be maintained by the Project Officer for this contract in the EPA Office of Pesticide Programs. All information supplied to Versar Inc. by EPA for use in connection with this contract will be returned to EPA when Versar Inc. has completed its work.

Dated: October 7, 1997.

Daniel M. Barolo,

Director, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00507; FRL-5757-9]

Versar Inc., Syracuse Research Corp., and General Sciences Corp; Transfer of Data

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice to certain persons who have submitted information to EPA in connection with pesticide information requirements imposed under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA). Versar Inc. and its subcontractors, Syracuse Research Corp. (SRC) and General Sciences Corp. (GSC), have been awarded a contract to perform work for the EPA Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics and other EPA programs, and will be provided access to certain information submitted to EPA under FIFRA and FFDCA. Some of this information may have been claimed to be confidential business information (CBI) by submitters. This information will be transferred to Versar Inc. and its subcontractors, SRC and GSC, consistent with the requirements of 40 CFR 2.307(h)(3) and 2.308(i)(2), and will