

average 89.1 hours, and to the information repository, estimated to average 7.6 hours. The annual recordkeeping burden associated with activities related to both the pre-application meeting, estimated to average 0.5 hours (to retain documentation), and to the information repository, estimated to average 26.5 hours. 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:

Owners and operators of facilities that treat, store, or dispose of hazardous waste.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 395.

Frequency of Response: 790.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 7253 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden: \$9,204.00.

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. 1688.03 and OMB Control No. 2050-0149 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OP Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460 (or E-Mail Farmer.Sandy@epamail.epa.gov); 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: October 11, 1998.

Richard Westlund,

Acting Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6191-3]

National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology, Environmental Information and Public Access Committee (EIPAC) Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92463, EPA gives notice of a two-day meeting of the Environmental Information and Public Access Committee (EIPAC) of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT). The NACEPT provides advice and recommendations to the Administrator of EPA on a broad range of environmental policy issues. This meeting of the Environmental Information and Public Access Committee will focus on providing stakeholder input to the Agency on information management issues, especially information resource activities that may impact the proposed reorganization of EPA's IRM programs. Issues include public access to environmental information, quality and integration of media information, and the use of EPA data to respond to requirements of the Government Performance and Results Act and the National Environmental Performance Partnerships.

DATES: The two-day public meeting will be held on December 8-9, 1998, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On both days, the meeting will be held at the Crown Plaza Hotel, 14th and K Streets, N.W., Washington, DC.

ADDRESSES: Material or written comments may be transmitted to the Committee through Deborah Ross, Designated Federal Officer for EIPAC, U.S. EPA, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management (1601-F), 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Additional information is available from Deborah Ross at telephone number (202) 260-9752.

Dated: November 6, 1998.

Gordon Schisler,

Deputy Director, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6190-8]

Proposed CERCLA Administrative Settlement; Conservation Chemical Company of Illinois, Inc. Superfund Site, Gary, Lake County, Indiana

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9622(l), notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement under section 122(h) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(h), for recovery of EPA's past response costs and future oversight costs, and the performance of specified future response activities at the Conservation Chemical Company of Illinois, Inc. site in Gary, Lake County, Indiana ("the Site"). The settling parties are as follows: Lucent Technologies Inc. (for Western Electric; Teletype; and Bell Telephone Laboratories); Gary Steel Supply Company; Bethlehem Steel Corporation; LaSalle Steel Company; AlliedSignal Inc. (for Universal Oil Products); K. A. Steel Chemicals Inc.; Union Oil Company of California d/b/a/ UNOCAL; The Steel Company (formerly known as Chicago Steel & Pickling); Union Carbide Corporation; Ansul, Incorporated (for Ansul Co.); Motorola Inc.; PPG Industries, Inc.; Crucible Materials Corporation, Trent Tube Division; American Chain & Cable Co., Inc.; and Navistar International Transportation Corp. (for International Harvester). EPA is providing the settling parties with orphan share compensation, to be credited against a portion of EPA's unreimbursed past costs. The settlement requires the settling parties to pay \$258,304 to the Hazardous Substance Superfund for EPA's past costs through November 30, 1997. The settlement also requires the settling parties to pay all of EPA's future oversight costs, incurred in connection with the Site, on and after December 1, 1997. The settlement further requires the settling parties to fund and conduct substantial specified future cleanup activities at the Site. The settlement includes a covenant not to sue the settling parties pursuant section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607(a), and a covenant not to sue the settling parties for the judicial imposition of damages or civil penalties or to take administrative action for work completed under the