

at twenty-two elementary schools in El Paso selected to represent areas close to and far away from the city center, and the border crossings as well as those areas in between. At these schools, those children who received parental permission on a returned questionnaire will attempt to perform a lung function examination. The examination, conducted according to American Thoracic Society guidelines, consists of blowing three to eight times into a tube connected to a spirometer and is no more stressful than blowing out a candle. A new, sterile, disposable mouthpiece will be used for each child. A field technician will record each child's height and weight, and coach the child to perform the breathing test. The examinations will be conducted in the child's elementary school during normal school hours with a school nurse on site.

The information collected in this study will be used by scientists within EPA's Office of Research and Development. The data will be used to: (i) provide a better understanding of the association between exposures to particulate matter and co-pollutants and respiratory illness in children; (ii) assess the classification of children's exposure using data from the study questionnaire, direct air pollutant measurements and exposure models for refining exposure estimation methods in air pollution health studies; (iii) identify key exposure factors for school age children to air pollutants; (iv) assess the prevalences of pulmonary illness, including reduced lung function, in school children living in a metropolitan area along the US-Mexico border. The information will appear in the form of EPA reports, journal articles, and will also be made publicly available.

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** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on December 13, 1999 (64 FR 69528); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.40 hours for each questionnaire response and 0.35 hours for each lung function examination. There are no direct respondent costs for this data collection. There is no annual recordkeeping burden for this ICR. 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: School officials, parents and children in the El Paso Independent School District.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 13,400.

Frequency of Response: Once.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 5,145 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden (non-labor costs): \$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. 1940.01 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information, Collection Strategies Division (2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, 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: March 2, 2000.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Pesticides; Application for Experimental Use Permit (EUP) To Ship and Use a Pesticide for Experimental Purposes Only; Submission of EPA ICR No. 0276.09 to OMB for Review and Approval; Agency Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of submission to OMB.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) entitled: Application for Experimental Use Permit (EUP) to Ship and Use a Pesticide for Experimental Purposes Only, (EPA ICR No. 0276.09, OMB No. 2070-0040) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to the OMB procedures in 5 CFR 1320.12. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated cost and burden. The Agency is requesting that OMB renew for 3 years the existing approval for this ICR, which was scheduled to expire on November 31, 1999, and has been extended until May 31, 2000. A **Federal Register** notice announcing the Agency's intent to seek OMB approval for this ICR and a 60-day public comment opportunity, requesting comments on the request and the contents of the ICR, was issued on September 15, 1999 (64 FR 50081). EPA did not receive any comments on this ICR during the comment period.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before April 7, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the ICR, contact Sandy Farmer by phone at (202) 260-2740, or via e-mail at "farmer.sandy@epa.gov", or using the address indicated below. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 0276.09 and OMB Control No. 2070-0040. For technical questions about the ICR contact Angela Hofmann at (202) 260-2922.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to:

Ms Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information, Collection Strategies Division (2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20460; and to:

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and

Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20503.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Review Requested:* This is a request to renew a currently approved information collection pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12.

Title: Application for Experimental Use Permit (EUP) to Ship and Use a Pesticide for Experimental Purposes Only.

Abstract: This information collection program provides the EPA with the data necessary to determine whether to issue an experimental use permit under section 5 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended. FIFRA requires that before a pesticide product may be distributed or sold in the U.S. it must be registered by EPA. However, section 5 authorizes EPA to issue experimental use permits which allow pesticide companies to temporarily ship pesticide products for experimental use for the purpose of gathering data necessary to support the application for registration of a pesticide product. In general, EUP's are either issued for a pesticide not registered with the Agency or for a registered pesticide for a use not registered with the Agency.

The information collected and reported under an EUP is a summary of that which is routinely submitted in connection with registration. The EUP allows for large scale field testing, if necessary, in order to collect sufficient data to support registration. An EUP is not required if the person conducting the tests does not expect to receive benefits in pest control.

EPA Form 8570-17, *Application For An Experimental Use Permit To Ship And Use A Pesticide For Experimental Purposes Only*, is filed by the prospective registrant for a permit to generate information or data necessary to register a pesticide under section 3 of FIFRA. This information from the applicant is necessary in order to grant and effectively monitor the EUP. Beyond the information as supplied on EPA Form 8570-17, is a final report on the results of the experimental program which includes information such as: amount of the product applied; the crops or sites treated; any observed adverse effects; any adverse weather conditions which may have inhibited the program; the goals achieved; and the disposition of containers, unused pesticide material, and affected food/feed commodities.

If the food/feed treated under the terms of an experimental use permitted are to be shipped in commerce, the applicant must also submit a petition for

temporary tolerance pursuant to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA). This program is more fully described in ICR No. 2070-0024, "Maximum Residue Limit (MRL) Petitions for Pesticides on Food/Feed and New Inert Ingredients, EPA No. and not covered under this ICR. In addition, the activities related to pesticide registration, e.g., labeling and recordkeeping, are covered by a separate ICR (EPA ICR No. 0277; OMB Control No. 2070-0060).

Burden Statement: The annual "respondent" burden for the Application for Experimental Use Permit (EUP) to Ship and Use a Pesticide for Experimental Purposes Only regulation is estimated to average 10.10 hours per application. 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: EUP applicants.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 75.

Frequency of Response: Only when an application is made.

Estimated total/average number of responses for each respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 757.

Estimated Total Annualized Labor Costs: \$61,297.

Changes in Burden Estimates: The change in respondent burden hours, from 1,303 to 757 hours per year is a result of the estimated reduction in the number of annual respondents, from 110 to 75. The change in annual respondent labor cost is a result of the estimated increase in hourly rates. —

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Disclosure of Confidential Business Information Obtained Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act to EPA Contractor Science Applications International Corporation and its Subcontractors

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice, request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") hereby complies with the requirements of 40 CFR 2.310(h) for authorization to disclose to the Science Applications International Corporation ("SAIC"), of San Francisco, California, and its subcontractors, Superfund confidential business information ("CBI") submitted to EPA Region 9.

DATES: Comments may be submitted by March 22, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Katherine Meltzer (PMD-8), 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katherine Meltzer, Policy & Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, (415) 744-1609.

Notice of Required Determinations, Contract Provisions and Opportunity to Comment: The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 ("CERCLA") as amended, (commonly known as "Superfund") requires completion of enforcement activities at Superfund sites in concert with other site events. EPA has entered into a contract, No. 68-S9-00-01, with SAIC for Superfund enforcement support services. These services will be provided to EPA by SAIC and its subcontractors Cotton & Co. of Alexandria, VA; Indus Corporation of Vienna, VA; Jonas & Associates, Inc. of Walnut Creek, CA; Petroleum Properties of Dixon CA; KPMG LLP of San Francisco, CA; McDonald & Associates of Capay, CA; Orswell & Kasman of Pasadena, CA; Power Partners, Inc. of San Francisco, CA; and ReVision, Inc. of Denver, CO. EPA has determined that disclosure of CBI to SAIC employees, and its subcontractors' employees, is necessary in order that SAIC may carry out the work required by that contract with EPA. The information EPA intends