

support future RMP processes. As a result, RMP deleted Forms MMS-3160 and MMS-4051 and streamlined and modified required data elements on Forms MMS-4054 through MMS-4058. These revised forms will not be used until RMP implements its new financial accounting system, currently scheduled for implementation in October 2001.

MMS proposes to use these four revised forms for gathering oil and gas production data from industry as follows:

- a. Form MMS-4054, Oil and Gas Operations Report (OGOR),
- b. Form MMS-4055, Gas Analysis Report (GAR),
- c. Form MMS-4056, Gas Plant Operations Report (GPOR), and
- d. Form MMS-4058, Production Allocation Schedule Report (PASR).

The data from these forms are matched with sales and royalty data reported to MMS. The production reports provide MMS with ongoing information on lease, agreement (property) and facility production, sales volumes, and inventories. The reports summarize all operations on a property or facility during a reporting period. They identify production by API well number and sales by product. Data collected are used as a method of cross checking reported production with reported sales.

Industry will not begin using the revised forms until October 2001 when we implement our new financial accounting system. However, we are requesting approval of these revised forms immediately, so that industry can begin work on the necessary systems development and reprogramming adjustments and changes that may be required as they prepare for the new reporting requirements that will be effective October 2001. Please note that the existing forms (Forms MMS-4054, MMS-4055, MMS-4056, and MMS-4058) will continue to be used until the change over to the revised forms in the fall of 2001.

Failure to collect all of this information will prevent MMS from ensuring that all royalties owed on lease production are paid. Additionally, the data are shared electronically with the MMS's Offshore Minerals Management program, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and tribal and State governments so they can perform their lease management responsibilities.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Operators of Federal or Indian leases.

Frequency of Response: Monthly.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,450 operators.

Estimated Total Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: 89,717 hours.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden: \$1.5 million.

Comments: Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA requires each agency " * * * to provide notice * * * and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information.

. . ." Agencies must specifically solicit comments to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The PRA provides that 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. As required in 5 CFR 1320.8(d), MMS published a 60-day **Federal Register** Notice on February 23, 1999 (64 FR 8835), soliciting comments from the public on these revised forms.

Send your comments directly to the offices listed under the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days. Therefore, to ensure maximum consideration, OMB should receive public comments by June 19, 2000.

MMS Information Collection Clearance Officer: Jo Ann Lauterbach, telephone (202) 208-7744.

Dated: May 11, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Central Valley Project Improvement Act, Criteria for Evaluating Water Management Plans

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: To meet the requirements of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act (CVPIA) of 1992 and the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982, the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) developed and published the Criteria for Evaluating Water Conservation Plans, dated April 30, 1993. In September 1996 Reclamation revised the document and renamed it to Criteria for Evaluating Water Management Plans (Criteria). The Criteria have been revised again in 1999.

The City of Roseville and El Dorado Irrigation District have developed Water Management Plans (Plan) which Reclamation has evaluated and preliminarily determined to meet the requirements of the Criteria.

The 1999 Criteria were developed based on information provided during public scoping and review sessions held throughout Reclamation's Mid-Pacific (MP) Region. Reclamation uses these Criteria to evaluate the adequacy of all Plans developed by Central Valley Project contractors. The Criteria were developed and the Plans have been evaluated for the purpose of promoting the most efficient water use reasonably achievable by all MP Region contractors. Reclamation made a commitment (stated within the Criteria) to publish a notice of its draft determination of the adequacy of each contractor's Plan in the **Federal Register** to allow the public a minimum of 30 days to comment on its preliminary determinations.

DATES: All public comments must be received by June 19, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from public disclosure, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold a respondent's identity from public disclosure, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Please mail comments to Lucille Billingsley, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, MP-410, Sacramento, California 95825.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To be placed on a mailing list for any subsequent information, please contact Lucille Billingsley at the address above,

or by telephone at (916) 978-5215 (TDD 978-5608).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under provision of Section 3405(e) of the CVPIA (Title 34 Pub. L. 102-575), "The Secretary [of the Interior] shall establish and administer an office on Central Valley Project water conservation best management practices that shall * * * develop criteria for evaluating the adequacy of all water conservation plans developed by project contractors, including those plans required by section 210 of the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982." Also, according to Section 3405(e)(1), these criteria will be developed " * * * with the purpose of promoting the highest level of water use efficiency reasonably achievable by project contractors using best available cost-effective technology and best management practices."

The Criteria states that all parties (Contractors) that contract with Reclamation for water supplies (municipal and industrial contracts over 2,000 irrigable acre-feet and agricultural contracts over 2,000 irrigable acres) will prepare Plans which will be evaluated by Reclamation based on the following required information detailed in the sections listed below to develop, implement, monitor, and update their Plans. The sections are:

1. Description of the District
2. Inventory of Water Resources
3. Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Agricultural Contractors
4. BMP's for Urban Contractors
5. Plan Implementation
6. Exemption Process
7. Regional Criteria
8. 5-Year Revisions

Public comment on Reclamation's preliminary (*i.e.*, draft) determination of both the City of Roseville's and El Dorado Irrigation District's Plans are invited at this time. A copy of both Plans will be available for review at Reclamation's MP Regional Office located in Sacramento, California, and MP's Central California Area Office located in Folsom, California. If you wish to review a copy of the plan, please contact Ms. Billingsley to find the office nearest you.

Dated: May 11, 2000.

Mary Johannis,

Acting Regional Resources Manager, Mid-Pacific Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Refuge Water Supply Long-Term Water Service Agreements

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) has scheduled the first meeting for long-term water service contracts with the California Department of Fish and Game, Grassland Water District (representing the Grasslands Resources Conservation District), and long-term memoranda of understanding with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. This first meeting will include distribution of the draft agreements, establishing each party's negotiation team, and setting the schedule for future negotiation sessions. The public is welcome to observe the meeting process.

DATES: The first meeting will be held on Thursday, May 18, 2000 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Expo Inn, 1413 Howe Avenue, Sacramento, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stan Yarborough, Reclamation, at (916) 978-5516.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The water service contractual agreements are to provide "firm water supplies of suitable quality to maintain and improve wetland habitat areas on units of the National Wildlife Refuge System in the Central Valley of California; on the Gray Lodge, Los Banos, Volta, North Grasslands, and Mendota state wildlife management areas; and on the Grasslands Resources Conservation District in the Central Valley of California," in accordance with the requirements of section 3406(d) of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act (CVPIA). Before the enactment of the CVPIA, most of the Federal, State and local refuges identified above did not have firm water supplies to meet optimum refuge water management needs (Level 4 needs). The negotiation process that commences on May 18, 2000, is intended to yield new long-term refuge water service agreements to supply up to Level 4 needs. In some cases, these new agreements may replace existing agreements.

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Acting Regional Resources Manager, Mid-Pacific Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree in Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act Cost Recovery Action

In accordance with the Departmental Policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a Consent Decree in *United States v. Cytec Industries, Inc., Ford Motor Company, and SPS Technologies, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 00-CV-2248 was lodged with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania on May 2, 2000. This Consent Decree resolves certain claims of the United States against Cytec Industries, Inc., Ford Motor Company, and SPS Technologies ("Settling Defendants") under Sections 106 and 107(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607(a), for performance of Operable Unit 1 response action and for Operable Unit 1 future response costs at the Boarhead Farms Superfund Site located in Bridgeton Township, Pennsylvania. The Consent Decree requires the Settling Defendants to perform all Operable Unit 1 activities (as defined in the Decree) and to pay all Future Response Costs relating to Operable Unit 1 activities at the Boarhead Farms Superfund Site.

The Department of Justice will accept written comments on the proposed Consent Decree for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice. Please address comments to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044 and refer to *United States v. Cytec Industries, Inc., Ford Motor Company, and SPS Technologies, Inc.*, DOJ #90-11-2-06036.

Copies of the proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 615 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106 and at EPA Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103. A copy of the proposed Consent Decree may be obtained by mail from the U.S. Department of Justice, Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC