

three forms as follows. The Partner Registration Form identifies the organization and the facilities that will participate in WasteWise. Each Partner develops its own waste reduction goals and submits a one-page Goals Identification Form to EPA every three years. Partners also report annually on the progress made toward achieving these goals in the Annual Reporting Form.

The EPA WasteWise program uses the voluntarily submitted information to: (1) Identify and recognize outstanding waste reduction achievements by individual organizations, (2) compile aggregate results that indicate overall accomplishments of WasteWise Partners, (3) identify cost-effective waste reduction strategies to share with other organizations, and (4) identify topics on which to develop assistance and information efforts.

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Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 37 hours per response. 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: WasteWise Program Volunteers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1270.

Frequency of Response: On Occasion, annually.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 64,260.

Estimated Total Annualized Capital, O&M Cost Burden: 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. 1698.04 and OMB Control No. 2050-0139 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: May 30, 2000.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6709-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request, Data Generation for Pesticide Registration

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR), has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Data Generation for Pesticide Re-registration, OMB No. 2070-0107, expiration date May 30, 2000. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection activity and its expected burden and costs; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before July 6, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the ICR contact Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by E-Mail at Farmer.Sandy@epamail.epa.gov or

download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1504.04. For technical questions about the ICR contact Angela Hofmann at (202) 260-2922.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Data Generation for Pesticide Reregistration OMB Control No. 2070-0107, EPA ICR No. 1504.04, expiration date May 30, 2000.

Abstract: Pursuant to section 4 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, EPA must assess health and safety data for all pesticide active ingredients originally registered before November 1, 1984, to determine whether such pesticides' use poses unreasonable risks to human health or the environment. In addition, the Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (FQPA), requires the Agency to reassess all existing tolerances (maximum limits for pesticide residues in food or feed) to ensure that they meet the safety standard in FQPA.

Currently, EPA is implementing Phase 5 of the Reregistration Program. In this final stage, the Agency is actively reviewing the studies submitted for each pesticide and determining whether or not the pesticide is eligible for reregistration—that is, whether the data base is substantially complete, and the pesticide does not cause unreasonable adverse effects to people or the environment when used in accordance with approved labeling. EPA is also reassessing tolerances for any related food uses, and considering whether the pesticide meets the new safety standard in FQPA.

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Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3,024 hours per response. 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:
Pesticide registrants seeking re-registration.

Estimated number of potential Responses: 30.

Frequency of response: Once, after the Record of Decision is issued.

Estimated total annual Respondent burden: 90,725 hours.

Estimated total annual Capital, O&M 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. 1504.04 and OMB Control No. 2070-0107 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: May 22, 2000.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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EPA-USDA Committee To Advise on Reassessment and Transition; Notice of Establishment and Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of establishment and public meeting.

SUMMARY: The EPA-USDA Committee to Advise on Reassessment and Transition (CARAT) is being established in

accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act as a subcommittee under the auspices of the EPA National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT). The purpose of CARAT is to provide advice and counsel to the Administrator of EPA and the Secretary of Agriculture regarding strategic approaches for pest management planning and tolerance reassessment for pesticides as required by the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (FQPA). CARAT is preceded by the Tolerance Reassessment Advisory Committee and will be guided by the principles set forth by the Vice President for EPA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to work together to ensure smooth implementation of FQPA through use of sound science, consultation with stakeholders, increased transparency, and reasonable transition for agriculture.

DATES: The first meeting of CARAT will be held on Friday, June 23, 2000, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A background information session, with limited public seating, is being offered to the CARAT members on Thursday, June 22, 2000, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The first meeting of CARAT will be held on June 23, 2000, at the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) Conference Center, 4301 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22203; telephone number: 703-907-5500. The NRECA Conference Center is located adjacent to the Ballston Metro Stop. The background information session, with limited public seating, will be held on June 22, 2000, for CARAT members at 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Mall #2, Rm. 1126 (Fishbowl), Arlington, VA 22202; telephone number: 703-305-7090.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margie Fehrenbach or Terria Northern (7501C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 703-305-7090 or 703-305-7093; fax number: 703-308-4776; e-mail address: Fehrenbach.Margie@epa.gov or Northern.Terria@epa.gov.

I. Does This Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general; however, it may be of interest to persons who are concerned about implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act (Public Law 104-170). Passed in 1996, this new law strengthens the nation's system for regulating pesticides on food. CARAT was preceded by the Tolerance

Reassessment Advisory Committee which was established in 1998 in response to Vice President Gore's request for EPA and USDA to work together to ensure smooth implementation of FQPA. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of This Document and Other Related Documents?

You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. To access information about CARAT, go directly to the Home Page for EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs at <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/carat>.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Agriculture, Chemicals, Foods, Pesticides and Pests.

Dated: May 30, 2000.

Susan H. Wayland,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Benchmark Dose Software

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Benchmark Dose Software (BMDS Version 1.2). BMDS was developed by EPA's National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) as a tool to facilitate the application of benchmark dose methods to the assessment of hazardous pollutants. The software and supporting documentation are available to Agency