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David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

June 22, 2000.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Application Type:* Non-Project Use of Project Land.

b. *Project No.:* P-1494-209.

c. *Date Filed:* June 6, 2000.

d. *Applicant:* Grand River Dam Authority.

e. *Name of Project:* Pensacola Project.

f. *Location:* The Pensacola Project is located on the Grand (Neosho) River in Craig, Delaware, Mayes, and Ottawa Counties, Oklahoma. This project does not utilize Federal or Tribal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contract:* Bob Sullivan, Grand River Dam Authority, P.O. Box 409, Vinita, OK 74301, (918) 256-5545.

i. *FERC Contact:* Shannon Dunn at shannon.dunn@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 208-0853.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions, or protests:* July 27, 2000.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Please include the project number P-1494-209) on any comments, motions, or protests filed.

k. *Description of Project:* Grand River Dam Authority, licensee for the Pensacola Project, requests approval to grant permission to John Ahern, d/b/a Beehern Properties to dredge approximately 7,500 to 8,500 cubic yards of material to deepen the cove for dock construction and boat access. The dock project would consist of 2 docks and 1 breakwater containing 20 slips. The proposed project is in the Zena area of the Grand Lake O' the Cherokees.

l. *Locations of the application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room

2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filing must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", OR "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00663; FRL-6592-3]

Certification of Pesticide Applicators; Renewal of Pesticide Information Collection Activities and Request for Comments

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that EPA is seeking public comment on the following Information Collection Request (ICR): "Certification of Pesticide Applicators (EPA ICR No. 0155.07, OMB No. 2070-0029)." This is a request to renew an existing ICR that is currently approved and due to expire September 30, 2000. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection activity and its expected burden and costs. Before submitting this ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval under the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the collection.

DATES: Written comments, identified by the docket control number OPP-00663, must be received on or before August 28, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit III. of the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION." To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-00663 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Nancy Vogel, Field and External Affairs Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305-6475; fax number: (703) 305-5884; e-mail address: vogel.nancy@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you run an EPA approved certified pesticide applicator program for restricted use pesticides or are a certified pesticide applicator using restricted use pesticides that must comply with requirements of section 11 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and 40 CFR part 171. Potentially affected

categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Category	NAICS code	SIC codes	Examples of potentially affected entities
Farms—agriculture production crops	0191	010	Pesticide applicator
Farms—agriculture production animals	0291	020	Pesticide applicator
Commercial exterminating services	561710	734	Pesticide applicator, pesticide dealers
Administration of environmental quality programs	924110	951	States, Federal Agencies, Indian Tribes
Administration of general economic programs		964	States, Federal Agencies, Indian Tribes
Retail nurseries, lawn, and garden supply stores	111421, 444220	526	Pesticide dealers, pesticide applicator
Miscellaneous nondurable goods (dealers)	4229	519	Pesticide dealers

This table is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed in this table could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes and the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes are provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this action might apply to certain entities. If you have 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?

A. Electronically

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/>. 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/>.

B. Fax-on-Demand

Using a faxphone call (202) 401-0527 and select item 6081 for a copy of the ICR.

C. In Person

The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP-00663. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI).

This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

III. How Can I Respond to this Action?

A. How and to Whom Do I Submit the Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPP-00663 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. The PIRIB is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

3. *Electronically.* You may submit your comments and/or data

electronically by e-mail to: “opp-docket@epa.gov,” or you can submit a computer disk as described in Units III.A.1. and 2. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect 6.1/8.0 or ASCII file format. All comments in electronic form must be identified by docket control number OPP-00663. Electronic comments may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

B. How Should I Handle CBI that I Want to Submit to the Agency?

Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. You may claim information that you submit to EPA in response to this document as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public version of the official record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public version of the official record without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person identified under “FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.”

C. What Should I Consider when I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.

3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.

4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.

5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.

6. Offer alternative ways to improve the collection activity.

7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this notice.

8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket control number and administrative record number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

D. What Information is EPA Particularly Interested in?

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimates of the burdens of the proposed collections of information.

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

4. Minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated or electronic collection technologies or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs is specifically looking for comments related to business activities of the commercial pesticide applicators and firms sector. Specifically, EPA is looking information related to "usual and customary" business practices. To determine if the Agency has correctly calculated the respondent burden estimated for this business sector, the Agency would like information which identifies whether or not business would collect the following information regardless of the Agency's reporting requirements contained in 40 CFR 171.11(c)(7)(i)(A)-(H). This information includes:

1. Name and address of the person for whom the pesticide was applied.

2. Location of the pesticide application.

3. Target pest(s).

4. Specific crop or commodity, as appropriate, and site, to which the pesticide was applied.

5. Year, month, day, and time of application.

6. Trade name and EPA registration number of the pesticide applied.

7. Amount of the pesticide applied and percentage of active ingredient per unit of pesticide used.

8. Type and amount of the pesticide disposed of, method of disposal, date(s) of disposal, and location of the disposal site.

Commenters should identify whether or not they are a commercial pesticide applicator or firm and identify by number, (e.g., 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8) those activities which the commenter considers to be usual and customary business practices.

IV. What Information Collection Activity or ICR Does this Action Apply to?

EPA is seeking comments on the following ICR:

Title: Certification of Pesticide Applicators.

ICR numbers: EPA ICR No. 0155.07, OMB No. 2070-0029.

ICR status: This is a renewal of an existing ICR that is currently approved by OMB and is due to expire September 30, 2000. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information that is subject to the approval under the PRA, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's information collections appear on the collection instruments or instructions, in the **Federal Register** notices for related rulemakings and ICR notices, and, if the collection is contained in a regulation, in a table of OMB approval numbers in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: FIFRA allows EPA to classify a pesticide as "restricted use" if the pesticide meets certain toxicity or risk criteria. Restricted use pesticides, because of their potential to harm persons or the environment, may be applied only by a certified applicator or someone under the direct supervision of a certified applicator. In order to become a certified applicator, a person must meet certain standards of competency. Once approved by EPA, participating States can implement a certified applicator program. In non-participating States, EPA administers certification programs.

V. What are EPA's Burden and Cost Estimates for this ICR?

Under the PRA, "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. For this collection it 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.

The ICR provides a detailed explanation of this estimate, which is only briefly summarized in this notice. The annual public burden is estimated to be 1,285,865.16 hours. The following is a summary of the estimates taken from the ICR:

Respondents/affected entities: 57 States, Federal Agencies, and Indian Tribes; 266 pesticide dealers, 48 applicators in Colorado and 412,922 commercial pesticide applicators and firms.

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 413,293.

Frequency of response: Once annually.

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

Estimated total annual burden hours: 1,285,865.16 hours.

Estimated total annual burden costs: \$20,118,111.96.

VI. Are There Changes in the Estimates from the Last Approval?

The annual burden hours related to the activities of this ICR have increased from 997,222 hours to 1,285,865.16 hours. The significant increase is attributed to the increase in the number of commercial applicators and firm respondents, an increase of 82,922 respondents. There was no change in burden per response.

VII. What is the Next Step in the Process for this ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR

1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the person listed under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT."

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: June 20, 2000.

Susan H. Wayland,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-100157; FRL-6594-4]

ABT Associates, Inc., Chemical Information Services, Inc., and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy; Transfer of Data

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that pesticide related information submitted to EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), including information that may have been claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI) by the submitter, will be transferred to ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, in accordance with 40 CFR 2.307(h)(3) and 2.308(i)(2). ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, have been awarded a contract to perform work for OPP, and access to this information will enable ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, to fulfill the obligations of the contract.

DATES: ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, will be given access to this information on or before July 3, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Erik R. Johnson, FIFRA Security Officer, Information Resources and

Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 703-305-7248; e-mail address: johnson.erik@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action applies to the public in general. As such, 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."

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

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II. Contractor Requirements

EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) is restructuring the fees charged to pesticide registrants to establish pesticide tolerances under the Tolerance Fee Rule. The rule will assess tolerance fees for some chemicals that were previously exempt from tolerance fees, and there are some existing tolerances that will be assessed fees retroactively.

Under Contract No. 68-W6-0040, ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, will perform broad professional and expert support by providing an analysis calculating the economic impacts of the proposed rule on the pesticide industry (including manufacturers of inert materials). The analysis will include the calculations of the fee-based costs of the rule in terms of the number of tolerance petitions at each fee level, as well as an analysis of the economic impact of these costs on the various industry segments bearing the costs.

The OPP has determined that access by ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for

Food and Agricultural Policy, 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 ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, 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, ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, are 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 ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, until the requirements in this document have been fully satisfied. Records of information provided to ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, will be maintained by EPA Project Officers for this contract. All information supplied to ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, by EPA for use in connection with this contract will be returned to EPA when ABT Associates, Inc. and its subcontractors, Chemical Information Services, Inc. and National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy, have completed their work.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Business and industry, Government contracts, Government property, Security measures.