

comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6856-3]

Withdrawal of Request for Comment on Renewal Information Collections for the Notification of Episodic Releases of Oil and Hazardous Substances; and the Continuous Release Reporting Regulations (CRRR) Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing that it has withdrawn the following notices published in the **Federal Register** (June 13, 2000) that solicited comment on EPA's request to renew existing ICRs: Notification of Episodic Release of Oil and Hazardous Substances (EPA ICR No. 1049.09, OMB No. 2050-0046) (65 FR 37128); and Continuous Release Reporting Regulations (CRRR) under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) (EPA ICR No. 1445.05, OMB No. 2050-0086) (65 FR 37131).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Why Are the Requests for Comment Withdrawn?

The EPA has withdrawn the request for comment so that it may include more information in each of the

Information Collection Requests before asking the public to comment and so that it may issue another notice to give the public a 60 day period for comment.

II. Does EPA Intend To Renew the Existing ICRs?

Yes, EPA plans to submit the continuing Information Collection Requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Notification of Episodic Releases of Oil and Hazardous Substances (EPA ICR No. 1049.09, OMB No. 2050-0046); and Continuous Release Reporting Regulations (CRRR) under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA)(EPA ICR No. 1445.05, OMB No. 2050-0086).

III. When Will the Comment Period Begin?

EPA will announce its plan to submit the Information Collection Request in subsequent **Federal Register** notices. The subsequent **Federal Register** notices will also include detailed Agency milestones and a schedule for completion of the renewal process for each Information Collection Request.

Dated: August 15, 2000.

Larry G. Reed,

Acting Director, Office of Emergency and Remedial Response.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6855-5]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission of EPA ICR# 0794.09 to OMB for Review and Approval

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 notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) entitled: Notification of Substantial Risk under TSCA Section 8(e) (EPA ICR# 0794.09; OMB# 2070-0046) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated cost and burden. 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 March 2, 2000 (65 FR 11306). One comment was received, which is addressed in the attachment to this ICR.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before September 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 0794.09 and OMB Control No. 2070-0046, to the following addresses: Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Collection Strategies Division (Mail Code: 2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., 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, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandy Farmer by phone at (202) 260-2740, or via e-mail at:

"farmer.sandy@epa.gov," or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr/icr.htm> and refer to EPA ICR No. 0794.09.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Notification of Substantial Risk under TSCA Section 8(e) (OMB Control No. 2070-0046; EPA ICR No. 0794.09), expiring 09/30/2000. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Section 8(e) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) requires that any person who manufactures, imports, processes or distributes in commerce a chemical substance or mixture and who obtains information that reasonably supports the conclusion that such substance or mixture presents a substantial risk of injury to health or the environment must immediately inform EPA of such information. EPA routinely disseminates TSCA section 8(e) data it receives to other Federal agencies to provide information about newly discovered chemical hazards and risks.

Responses to the collection of information are mandatory (see 15 U.S.C. 2607(e)). Respondents may claim all or part of a document confidential. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14 and 40 CFR part 2. 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