ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6872–7]

Proposed CERCLA Prospective Purchaser Agreement; Master Metals, Inc., Superfund Site; City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, OH

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq., and the authority of the Attorney General of the United States to compromise and settle claims of the United States as delegated, notice is hereby given of a proposed prospective purchaser agreement concerning a portion of the Master Metals, Inc., Superfund site at 2850 W. Third Street, Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, 44113, with the Midwest Railway Preservation Society, Inc. (MRPS). The agreement covers approximately .4 acres of the approximately 4.3 acre site. The agreement requires MRPS to pay $2,000 to the Hazardous Substance Superfund; to grant future access rights; and to record appropriate deed notices. The agreement includes a covenant not to sue MRPS under sections 106 and 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607(a) and contribution protection for MRPS under section 113(f)(2), 42 U.S.C. 9613(f)(2). For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, the United States will receive written comments relating to the agreement. The United States will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the agreement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the agreement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. The United States’ response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604. Please contact Gwen Massenburg, Remedial Project Manager, at (312) 886–9983 to make arrangements to inspect the comments.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 19, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604. A copy of the proposed agreement may be obtained from Kris Vezner, Assistant Regional Counsel, at U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard (C–14J), Chicago, IL 60604, phone (312) 886–6827. Comments should reference the “Master Metals, Inc., Superfund Site—Cleveland—prospective purchaser agreement,” and should be addressed to Mr. Vezner.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kris Vezner, Assistant Regional Counsel, at U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard (C–14J), Chicago, IL 60604, phone (312) 886–6827.

Dated: September 6, 2000.

William E. Muno,
Director, Superfund Division, U.S. EPA Region 5.

[FRL–6871–9]

Application From the States of Utah and Arizona for the Prohibition of the Discharge of Vessel Sewage Into Lake Powell; Notice of Determination

This notice is to announce that discharging sewage, whether treated or not, from vessels into Lake Powell is now prohibited. Lake Powell is a reservoir on the Colorado River and is impounded by the Glen Canyon Dam at Page, Arizona. Approximately 95 percent of Lake Powell is located in Utah and 5 percent is in Arizona. The States of Utah and Arizona have jointly petitioned the Regional Administrators from Regions 8 and 9 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to prohibit the discharge of sewage from all vessels into Lake Powell. Under section 312(f)(3) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1322(f)(3), any state may make a prohibition of this type. However, no such prohibition is to apply until the EPA has determined that adequate facilities are reasonably available for the safe and sanitary removal and treatment of sewage from all vessels on the water to be covered by the prohibition.

On May 22, 2000, the EPA published a notice in the Federal Register describing the States’ application. (See 65 FR 32093.) In the notice, the EPA announced that it proposed to make an affirmative determination that adequate facilities exist. The EPA also asked for comments on the States’ application. The 45-day public comment period ended on July 6, 2000, and the EPA received no comments. Today the EPA is finalizing its determination that adequate facilities are reasonably available for the safe and
sanitary removal and treatment of sewage from all vessels on Lake Powell. With this determination, the States’ prohibition against discharging any sewage, whether treated or not, from any vessel into Lake Powell is now in effect.

According to the States’ application, jurisdictional and enforcement authority for this prohibition will reside with the respective States and the National Park Service. The Utah Department of Environmental Quality, the Utah Department of Natural Resources, the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, the Arizona Department of Fish and Game, the United States Coast Guard and the National Park Service, and Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, will all be the enforcing agents supporting the prohibition. The Navajo Nation bounds on the southeast portion of Lake Powell, but the jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation is not affected by the application of Utah and Arizona.

The States’ application certifies that there are six authorized vessel entry/take-out points on the Lake: Wahweap, Stateline, Hite, Bullfrog, Hall’s Crossing, and Antelope Point. The first five locations have major pumpout facilities. Due to the geomorphology of the Lake, it is nearly impossible to remove or launch a vessel from any other point on the Lake. A major water accessible vessel pumpout facility is also located at Dangling Rope. Each major facility has multiple pumps. In addition, eight supplemental mechanically operated floating pump out facilities are located at various areas on the Lake. These pumps are: Warm Creek Bay, located in Warm Creek Bay; Dominquez Butte, near Lake Powell Channel Mile Marker 22; Rock Creek, near Lake Powell Channel Mile Marker 35; Oak Bay, located near Lake Powell Channel Mile Marker 51; Escalante, located near Lake Powell Channel Mile Marker 68A; Rincon, near Lake Powell Channel Mile Marker 77A; Hall’s Creek Bay, located in Hall’s Creek Bay on the Eastside; and Forgotten Canyon, near Lake Powell Channel Mile Marker 106. There is a total of sixty-nine pumpouts on the Lake. All the facilities identified above are operational 24 hours per day. None of the facilities identified will exclude any vessel because of insufficient water depth adjacent to the facility. There are no fees to pump out at any facility. Treatment of all wastes from the pumpout facilities is to be in conformance with Federal law. This prohibition action is, therefore, intended to prohibit discharge of human wastes to the waters of the Lake to protect public health and the water quality of this important national resource.

For information, contact Douglas Johnson (8EPR–EP), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8, 999 18th Street (Suite 300), Denver, Colorado, 80202–2466. He can also be reached at (303) 312–6834.

Dated: September 1, 2000.

Rebecca W. Hanmer,
Acting Regional Administrator, EPA Region 8.


Laura Yoshii,
Deputy Regional Administrator, EPA Region 9.

Federal Communications Commission

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

September 8, 2000.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a current valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission’s burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before November 20, 2000. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

Federal Communications Commission

Public Information Collections Approved by Office of Management and Budget

September 12, 2000.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has received Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the following public information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. For further information contact Shoko B. Hair, Federal Communications Commission, (202) 418–1379.