

Gambo Project transmission line; and (7) other appurtenances.

The Mallison Falls Project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) A 358-foot-long by 14-foot-high, reinforced concrete, masonry and cut granite diversion dam; (2) a 0.5-mile-long impoundment extending from the Mallison Falls dam upstream to the tailwaters of the Little Falls Project, with a surface area of approximately 8 acres at normal elevation, 90.6 feet USGS; (3) a 70-foot-long headgate structure; (4) a 675-foot-long, 41-foot-wide, by 6-foot-deep, bedrock lined intake canal; (5) a 33-foot-wide by 51-foot-long, reinforced concrete and masonry powerhouse; (6) two turbine generator units, each with a rated capacity of 400 kW, for a total project installed capacity of 800 kW; (7) a 675-foot-long bypassed reach; (8) an 11-kV transmission line tied into the Gambo Project transmission line; and (9) other appurtenances.

The Saccarappa Project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) A 322-foot-long diversion dam consisting of two concrete overflow structures separated by an island; (2) a 5.0-mile-long impoundment extending from the Saccarappa dam upstream to the tailwaters of the Mallison Falls Project, with a surface area of approximately 87 acres at normal elevation, 69.96 feet USGS; (3) two bypassed reaches measuring 475 feet and 390 feet long; (4) a 380-foot-long by 36-foot-wide intake canal; (5) a 49-foot-wide by 71-foot-long, masonry powerhouse; (6) three turbine generator units, each with a rated capacity of 450 kW for a total project capacity of 1,350 kW; (7) a 345-foot-long tailrace formed by a 33-foot-high guard wall; (8) a 1-mile-long 2.3-kV transmission line/generator lead; and (9) other appurtenances.

The five projects operate continuously to generate electricity that is utilized at Warren's pulp and paper mill facilities in Westbrook, Maine. Under typical daily operations, Warren maximizes output by manually controlling of each of the five projects in response to flow inputs from Warren's upstream Eel Weir Project (FERC No. 2984), located at the outlet of Sebago Lake, and various minor tributaries to the Presumpscot River downstream of the Eel Weir Project. Daily impoundment level fluctuations of 2 feet or less typically occur at the Little Falls, Mallison Falls, and Saccarappa Projects, impoundment fluctuations of up to 1 foot per day occur at the Dundee and Gambo Projects.

m. Locations of the Applications: Copies of each of the five applications are available for inspection and

reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20246, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The applications also may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222) for assistance). Copies also are available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h, above.

n. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The Commission directs pursuant to Section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions concerning the applications be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice.

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

All filings must: (1) Bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS", "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number(s) of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-00304; FRL-6759-8]

TSCA Section 8(a) Preliminary Assessment Information Rule; Request for Comment on Renewal of Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), EPA is seeking public comment and information on the following Information Collection Request (ICR): TSCA Section 8(a) Preliminary Assessment Information Rule (EPA ICR No. 0586.09, OMB No. 2070-0054). This ICR involves a collection activity that is currently approved and scheduled to expire on December 31, 2000. The information collected under this ICR relates to identifying, assessing, and managing human health and environmental risks from chemical substances, mixtures, or categories. 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 OPPTS-00304 and administrative record number AR-231, must be received on or before February 6, 2001.

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 OPPTS-00304 and administrative record number AR-231 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: *For general information contact:* Barbara Cunningham, Acting Director, Environmental Assistance Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (7408), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

For technical information contact: Paul Campanella, Chemical Control Division (7405), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania

Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 260-3948; fax number: (202) 260-8168; e-mail address: campanella.paul@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you are a manufacturer or importer of chemical substances, mixtures, or categories. Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Type of business	NAICS codes
Basic Chemical Manufacturing	3251
Resin, Synthetic Rubber and Artificial Synthetic Fibers and Filaments Manufacturing	3252
Paint, Coating, and Adhesive Manufacturing	3255
Pesticide, Fertilizer, and Other Agricultural Chemical Manufacturing	3253
Other Chemical Product and Preparation Manufacturing	3259
Petroleum Refineries	32411

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 Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes are provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this action might apply to certain entities. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical 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," "Regulations and Proposed Rules," 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 4084 for a copy of the ICR.

C. In Person

The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPPTS-00304 and administrative record number AR-231. 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 TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, North East Mall Rm. B-607, Waterside Mall, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. The Center is open from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Center is (202) 260-7099.

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 OPPTS-00304 and administrative record number AR-231 on the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments to: Document Control Office (7407), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments to: OPPT Document Control Office (DCO) in East Tower Rm. G-099, Waterside Mall, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. The DCO is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the DCO is (202) 260-7093.

3. *Electronically.* Submit your comments and/or data electronically by e-mail to: oppt.ncic@epa.gov, or mail your computer disk to the address identified in Units III.A.1. and 2. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

Comments and data will also be accepted on standard disks in WordPerfect 6.1/8.0 or ASCII file format. All comments in electronic form must be identified by docket control number OPPTS-00304 and administrative record number AR-231. 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 technical person listed 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 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.

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

EPA is seeking comments on the following ICR:

Title: TSCA Section 8(a) Preliminary Assessment Information Rule.

ICR numbers: EPA ICR No. 0586.09, OMB No. 2070-0054.

ICR status: This ICR is currently scheduled to expire on December 31, 2000. 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 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: TSCA section 8(a) authorizes EPA to promulgate rules under which manufacturers, importers and processors of chemical substances and mixtures must maintain records and submit reports to EPA. EPA has promulgated the Preliminary Assessment Information Rule (PAIR) under TSCA section 8(a). EPA uses PAIR to collect information to identify, assess, and manage human health and environmental risks from chemical substances, mixtures, or categories. PAIR requires chemical manufacturers and importers to complete a standardized reporting form to help evaluate the potential for adverse

human health and environmental effects caused by the manufacture or importation of identified chemical substances, mixtures, or categories. Chemicals identified by EPA or any other Federal agency, for which a justifiable information need for production, use or exposure-related data can be satisfied by the use of the PAIR are proper subjects for TSCA section 8(a) PAIR rulemaking. In most instances the information that EPA receives from a PAIR report is sufficient to satisfy the information need in question.

Responses to the collection of information are mandatory (see 40 CFR part 712). Respondents may claim all or part of a notice 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.

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 for this collection of information is estimated to average 28.45 hours per response. The following is a summary of the estimates taken from the ICR:

Respondents/affected entities: Manufacturers and importers of chemical substances, mixtures, or categories.

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 48.

Frequency of response: On occasion.

Estimated average number of responses for each respondent: 2.4.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 3,355.

Estimated total annual burden costs: \$250,000.

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

There is a net decrease of 134 hours (from 3,489 hours to 3,355 hours) in the total estimated respondent burden compared with that identified in the information collection request most recently approved by OMB. This decrease is attributable to carrying through in the burden hour totals the adjustment made to the unit burden of the CBI substantiation requirement, which is that only 75% of sites or reports are expected to make CBI claims. This adjustment was made in the unit burden calculations in the previous ICR but was not carried through in the industry totals. In addition, a few minor mathematical corrections were made to the estimates in the previous ICR.

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 technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Hazardous substances, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: November 30, 2000.

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Acting Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6913-7]

Proposed Settlement Agreement, Clean Air Act Citizen Suit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed settlement agreement; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended ("Act"), 42 U.S.C. 7413(g), notice is hereby given of a proposed settlement