

information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: In the EPA ICR No. Number 1836.01, OMB Control Number 2040-0195, for 1998-2001, the total burden was estimated to be approximately 696.20 hours at a cost of \$37,954.63. These figures were based on the one time effort of approximately 12 hours and 26 minutes by each of the 56 states who wish to adopt the administrative penalty authority necessary in order to obtain or retain primacy. This estimate includes the time for gathering, analyzing, writing, and reporting information. There will be no capital, start-up, or operation and maintenance costs. This data collection does not involve periodic reporting or recordkeeping. Since approximately one half of the states have already submitted revision applications, we estimate the burden for the continuing ICR to be \$18,977.32. 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.

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Phil Oshida,

Acting Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6972-4]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Public Water Systems Supervision Program

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 EPA is planning to submit the

following continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Public Water Systems Supervision Program (PWSSP), EPA ICR No. 0270.40; OMB No. 2040-0090. The current ICR approval expires on 9/30/01. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before July 2, 2001.

ADDRESSES: People interested in getting information or making comments about the draft PWSSP ICR should direct inquiries or comments to the Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, Drinking Water Protection Branch, Mail Code 4606, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Naylor, (202) 260-5135, fax (202) 401-2345, e-mail: naylor.richard@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Affected entities:* Entities potentially affected by this action are public water systems, primacy agents including regulators in the States, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Trust Territories; Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages, and in some instances, U.S. EPA Regional Administrators and staff.

Title: Information Collection Request for Public Water Systems Supervision Program, OMB Control No. 2040-0090; EPA ICR No. 0270.40; expires 09/30/2001.

Abstract: This ICR contains record keeping and reporting requirements that are mandatory for compliance with 40 CFR parts 141 and 142. Sections 1401 and 1412 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), as amended, require EPA to establish National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs) that ensure the safety of drinking water. These regulations, contained in 40 CFR parts 141 and 142, are designed to reduce any exposure to contaminants—microbial, organic and inorganic chemicals, and radionuclides in finished drinking water to safe levels. The Act further requires EPA to ensure compliance with and enforce these regulations. Section 1445 of SDWA stipulates that every supplier of water shall conduct monitoring, maintain records, and provide such information as is needed for the Agency to carry out its compliance and enforcement responsibilities with respect to SDWA. Ensuring implementation of these requirements by public water systems is principally a responsibility of the States, particularly the 49 States that have

assumed primary enforcement responsibility (primacy) for public water systems under SDWA section 1413. As part of the Public Water Systems Supervision Program, the Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water's Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS) collects data from the States on public water systems regulated by EPA. Without comprehensive, up-to-date information on drinking water contamination, States and EPA would not be able to ensure "a supply of drinking water which dependably complies with such maximum contaminant levels" (SDWA section 1401 (1) (d)).

An Agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information if it does not display a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR chapter 15.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to: (i) evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and, (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses).

Burden Statement: The OMB currently approved burden associated with this ICR is: 9,531,172 burden hours per year; and \$180,567 burden costs. Since the publication of the ICR for the Public Water Systems Supervision Program in December 1993, EPA has developed rule specific ICRs for each new or revised drinking water rule. Most of the rules addressed in the 1993 PWSSP ICR (e.g., Radionuclides Rule, Public Notification Rule, Lead and Copper Rule, Total Trihalomethanes Rule, Surface Water Treatment Rule and the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule) have been revised to varying degrees. Accordingly, in the revision of the PWSSP ICR, EPA will ensure that there is no double counting of burden with the individual ICRs for the revised rules.

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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. Any recommendations from the drinking water community and the general public on this issue will be given consideration by the Agency.

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Phil Oshida,

Acting Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6972-7]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Regulations for a Voluntary Emissions Standards Program Applicable to Manufacturers of Light-Duty Vehicles and Trucks Beginning in Model Year 1997

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: Regulations for a Voluntary Emissions Standards Program Applicable to Manufacturers of Light-Duty Vehicles and Trucks Beginning in Model Year 1997, OMB Control Number 2060-0345, expiration date 04/30/01. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 1, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 1761.03 and OMB Control No. 2060-0345, to the following addresses: Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Collection Strategies Division (Mail Code 2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; and to the 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: 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. 1761.03. For technical questions about the ICR contact: Chestine Payton, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, Certification and Compliance Division, (202) 564-9328, fax (202) 565-2057. E-mail address: *payton,chestine@epa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulations for a Voluntary Emissions Standards Program Applicable to Manufacturers of Light-Duty Vehicles and Trucks Beginning in Model Year 1997 (OMB #2060-0345, approved through 04/30/01). This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The information collection is conducted to support averaging, banking, and trading provisions included in the National Low Emission Vehicle (LEV) program. These averaging, banking, and trading provisions give the automobile manufacturers a measure of flexibility in meeting the fleet average Non-methane organic gas (NMOG) standards and the five-percent cap on Tier 1 vehicles and transitional low emission vehicles (TLEVs) in the ozone transport region (OTR). EPA will use the reported data to calculate credits and debits and otherwise ensure compliance with the applicable production levels and emissions standards. When a manufacturer opted into the Voluntary National LEV program, reporting will be mandatory.

Manufacturers submit information regarding the annual sales, calculation, generation, and usage of emission credits in an annual report. In addition, upon transferring credits to another manufacturer, the manufacturer submits this information along with their annual report. This information will be submitted to EPA in annual reports and will involve approximately 18

respondents at a total annual cost of about \$580,212.

EPA currently has in place an Information Collection Request (ICR) and clearance for annual sales/production reporting for light-duty vehicles and trucks. This ICR reflects additional requirements to collate the annual sales/production data and implement the credit calculation program.

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 part 9 and 48 CFR chapter 15. The **Federal Register** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on February 21, 2001 (66 FR 11020); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and record keeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 241 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 purpose 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: Manufacturers of light-duty vehicles and light-duty trucks.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 18.

Frequency of Response: Annually.
Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden Per Respondent: 4,338.

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 address. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1761.03 and OMB Control No. 2060-0345 in any correspondence.