

clearance of this notice by the Office of Management and Budget is required.

*Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act*

Western has determined that this rule is exempt from Congressional notification requirements under 5 U.S.C. 801 because the action is a rulemaking of particular applicability relating to rates or services and involves matters of procedure.

Dated: December 5, 2001.

**Michael S. HacsKaylo,**  
Administrator.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-7120-4]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Servicing of Motor Vehicle Air Conditioners**

**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 renewal of the Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Servicing of Motor Vehicle Air Conditioners, OMB Control Number 2060-0247, EPA Number 1617.04, which will expire on May 31, 2002. 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 February 19, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Global Programs Division, (6205-J), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. To obtain a copy of the ICR, free of charge, you may contact the Stratospheric Ozone Hotline at 1/800-296-1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nancy Smagin 202-564-9126 202-564-2156 [smagin.nancy.epa.gov](mailto:smagin.nancy.epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Affected entities:* Entities potentially affected by this action are those that service motor vehicle air conditioners. Entities that service motor vehicle air conditioners must send a one-time recovery/recycle equipment certification to EPA. New technical colleges seeking

EPA authorization to certify technicians to service motor vehicle air conditioners. Additional laboratories, although highly unlikely, seeking to become EPA certified to test refrigerant, which has been reclaimed to the industry standard.

*Title:* "Servicing of Motor Vehicle Air Conditioners"

*OMB Control No.:* 2060-0247; EPA ICR No. 1617.04, expiring on May 31, 2002.

*Abstract:* Section 609(d)(3)-(4) of the Act requires that all entities that service motor vehicle air conditioners acquire approved refrigerant recycling equipment. Proposed automotive technician certification programs are required to be approved by EPA in section 609(b)(4). Under section 609(b)(2)(A), independent laboratories must seek EPA approval to assure that they meet an industry accepted standard of quality. Owners may show that they possess substantially identical equipment as addressed in section 609(b)(2)(B), and obtain certification from EPA. The recordkeeping requirements for motor vehicle recycling programs are derived from section 114 of the Act. Responses collected or recorded are required to ensure that EPA standards are met, and are consistent with the least stringent of the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) J standards.

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 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 estimated annual burden associated with recordkeeping is 5,320 hours, and the total annual costs are estimated at \$266,000. The estimated annual reporting burden is estimated at 3,562 hours, and the total annual costs are estimated at \$178,100. The total annual public burden of capital/start-up and total burden hours is 8,882, and the summary total of all capital/start-up costs and total annual costs is \$444,100.

Dated: December 12, 2001.

**Paul Stolpman,**

Director, Office of Atmospheric Programs.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-7120-7]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Renewal; Federal Plan Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements for Large Municipal Waste Combustors Constructed on or Before September 20, 1994 (Subpart FFF)**

**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: Federal Plan Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements for Large Municipal Waste Combustors Constructed on or Before September 20, 1994 (subpart FFF), ICR Number, 1847.02, OMB Control Number, 2060-0390, expiration date, December 31, 2001. 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 January 22, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the ICR contact Susan Auby at EPA by phone at (202) 260-4901, by E-mail at [auby.susan@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:auby.susan@epamail.epa.gov), or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1847.20. For technical questions about the ICR contact Carolyn Young, 202-564-7062, Office of Compliance, [young.carolyn@epa.gov](mailto:young.carolyn@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Federal Plan Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements for Large Municipal Waste Combustors Constructed on or before September 20, 1994 (subpart FFF); OMB Control Number 2060-0390, EPA ICR Number 1847.02, expiration date December 31, 2001. This is a renewal notice.

*Abstract:* This information collection is required as a result of a Federal plan to implement and enforce the Clean Air Act (CAA) emission guidelines (40 CFR part 60, subpart Cb) for large municipal waste combustors (MWC's) that were promulgated under the authority of CAA sections 111 and 129. The emission guidelines are not federally enforceable. Under the CAA section 129(b)(2), States were required to submit State plans to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for approval by December 19, 1996 that implement and enforce the guidelines. Section 129(b)(3) requires EPA to promulgate a Federal plan to implement and enforce the guidelines in those States that have not submitted an approvable plan to EPA by December 19, 1997. Reporting and recordkeeping requirements would apply to MWC units with capacities to combust greater than 250 tons per day (tpd) (large MWC's). The EPA Regional Offices will collect the required information (after promulgation of the MWC Federal plan) to ensure that the subpart FFF Federal plan is being implemented and enforced for affected facilities in States that have not submitted an approvable State plan by December 19, 1997.

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. Respondents are owners or operators of municipal waste combustors with a capacity to combust greater than 250 tons per day located in States that do not have EPA-approved State plans. All respondents must submit notification of five increments of progress and emission rates. The information will be used to ensure that the MWC Federal plan requirements are being achieved on a continuous basis. 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 August 17, 2001. A

comment was received from Mark Strohfus, Great River Energy, 17845 E. Hwy 10, PO Box 800 Elk River, MN 55330-0800.

*Burden Statement:* The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3,218 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 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.

*Respondents/Affected Entities:* Owners/Operators Municipal Waste Combustors (MWC).

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 56.

*Frequency of Response:* one-time, quarterly, semi-annual and annual.

*Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:* 58,915 hours.

*Estimated Total Annualized Capital and Operating & Maintenance Cost Burden:* \$3,218.

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 addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1847.02 and OMB Control No. 2060-0390 in any correspondence.

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Dated: December 12, 2001.

**Oscar Morales,**

*Director, Collection Strategies Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7120-6]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Application for Reference and Equivalent Method Determination

**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: Application for Reference and Equivalent Method Determination, OMB Control Number 2080-0005, expiration date December 31, 2001. 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 January 22, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 0559.07 and OMB Control No. 2080-0005, to the following addresses: Susan Auby, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Collection Strategies Division (Mail Code 2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; 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:** For a copy of the ICR, contact Susan Auby at EPA by phone at (202) 260-4901, by e-mail at [auby.susan@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:auby.susan@epamail.epa.gov), or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 0559.07. For technical questions about the ICR, contact Elizabeth T. Hunike on 919-541-3737; facsimile number: 919-541-1153; e-mail: [Hunike.Elizabeth@epa.gov](mailto:Hunike.Elizabeth@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Application for Reference and Equivalent Method Determination, OMB Control Number 2080-0005, EPA ICR No. 0559.07, expiring December 31, 2001. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* State air monitoring agencies are required to use EPA-designated reference or equivalent methods in their air monitoring networks to determine compliance with the national ambient air quality