

research requirements) are covered by a separate ICR (EPA ICR Number 0309.10, OMB Control Number 2060-0150). The health-effects information will be used to determine if there are any products whose evaporative or combustion emissions pose an unreasonable risk to public health, thus meriting further investigation and potential regulation. This information is required for specific groups of fuels and additives as defined in the regulations. For example, all gasolines and gasoline additives which consist of only carbon, hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, and/or sulphur, and which involve a gasoline oxygen content of less than 1.5 weight percent, fall into a "baseline" group. Oxygenates, such as ethanol and methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), when used in gasoline at oxygen levels of at least 1.5 weight percent, define separate "nonbaseline" groups for each oxygenate. Additives which contain elements other than carbon, hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, and/or sulphur fall into separate "atypical" groups. There are similar grouping requirements for diesel fuels and additives.

Manufacturers may perform the research independently or may join with other manufacturers to share in the costs for each applicable group. Several research consortiums (groups of manufacturers) have been formed. The largest consortium, organized by the American Petroleum Institute (API), represents most of the manufacturers of baseline and nonbaseline gasolines, diesel fuels, and additives. The research is structured into three tiers of requirements for each group. Tier 1 requires an emissions characterization and a literature search for information on the health effects of those emissions. Voluminous Tier 1 data were submitted by API and others in 1997. Tier 1 data were submitted for biodiesel and a water/diesel fuel emulsion in 1998 and 2000, respectively. Tier 2 requires short-term inhalation exposures of laboratory animals to emissions to screen for adverse health effects. Alternative Tier 2 testing can be required in lieu of the standard Tier 2 if EPA concludes that such testing would be more appropriate. The EPA reached that conclusion with respect to gasoline and gasoline-oxygenate blends, and alternative requirements have been established for the API consortium for baseline gasoline and six gasoline-oxygenate blends. A similar situation exists with the Ethyl Corporation and its manganese additive MMT, and alternative requirements have been established. The API submitted Tier 2 data for diesel in 1997. Tier 2 data were submitted for biodiesel

and a water/diesel fuel emulsion in 2000 and 2002, respectively. Tier 3 provides for follow-up research, if necessary. No Tier 3 requirements have been established, and it is unlikely that any will be during the next three years. Thus, Tier 3 is not addressed in this ICR. Under section 211 of the Clean Air Act, (1) submission of the information is necessary for a manufacturer to obtain registration of a new fuel or additive, and thus be allowed to introduce that product into commerce, and (2) the information shall not be considered confidential.

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Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15,175 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: Manufacturers of Fuels and Fuel Additives.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 60,700.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$6.8 million, includes \$1.4 million annualized capital or O&M costs.

Changes in the Estimates: There is a decrease of 6,767 hours in the total estimated burden currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved ICR Burdens. This decrease is due to the incorrect allocation of hours to some of the capital/start-up costs and operating and maintenance costs in the previous ICR.

Dated: March 13, 2003.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[RCRA-1999-0050, FRL-7475-8]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Part B Permit Application, Permit Modifications, and Special Permits

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: Part B Permit Application, Permit Modifications, and Special Permits, EPA ICR # 1573.10, OMB No. 2050-0009, expires on March 31, 2003. 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 May 2, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Follow the detailed instructions in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Eberly, Office of Solid Waste (5303W), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308-8645, or by e-mail at eberly.david@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. RCRA-1999-0050, which is available for public viewing at the RCRA Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the RCRA Docket is (202) 566-0270. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. Use

EDOCKET to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified above.

Any comments related to this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice, and according to the following detailed instructions: (1) Submit your comments to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by email to the *rcra-docket@epa.gov*, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, RCRA Docket, 5305T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) Mail your comments to OMB at: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EDOCKET as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EDOCKET. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket. Although identified as an item in the official docket, information claimed as CBI, or whose disclosure is otherwise restricted by statute, is not included in the official public docket, and will not be available for public viewing in EDOCKET.

Title: Part B Permit Application, Permit Modifications, and Special Permits, OMB Control No. 2050-0009, EPA ICR No. 1573.10, expiring on March 31, 2003. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB.

Abstract: Section 3005 of Subtitle C of RCRA requires treatment, storage or disposal (TSD) facilities to obtain a permit. To obtain the permit, the TSD must submit an application describing the facility's operation. There are two parts to the RCRA permit application—part A and part B. Part A defines the processes to be used for treatment, storage, and disposal of hazardous

wastes; the design capacity of such processes; and the specific hazardous wastes to be handled at the facility. Part B requires detailed site specific information such as geologic, hydrologic, and engineering data. In the event that permit modifications are proposed by the applicant or EPA, modifications must conform to the requirements under sections 3004 and 3005.

This ICR provides a comprehensive discussion of the requirements for owner/operators of TSDFs submitting applications for a part B permit or permit modification. The information collections contained in this ICR are divided into three sections: demonstrations and exemptions from requirements (40 CFR part 264), contents of the part B application (40 CFR part 270), and permit modifications and special permits (40 CFR part 270).

Demonstrations and Exemptions From Requirements

40 CFR part 264 contains minimum standards for TSDFs consisting of both administrative and technical requirements. Owner/operators may obtain exemption from certain requirements by submitting demonstrations to EPA. In most cases, these demonstrations will be submitted along with the part B application. Section 264.90 allows owner/operators to submit a demonstration for exemption from the subpart F requirements regarding releases to the uppermost aquifer. In addition, owner/operators of tank systems, surface impoundments, waste piles, landfills, land treatment facilities and incinerators may apply for exemptions from certain technical requirements by submitting demonstrations under §§ 264.193, .221, .251, .272, .301 and .344, respectively.

Contents of the Part B Application 40 CFR part 270 contains requirements for owner/operators submitting a part B permit application. Section 270.1 allows owner/operators of certain facilities closing by removal or decontamination to petition for an exemption from post-closure permit requirements. Section 270.10 requires owner/operators of certain facilities to provide information on the potential for public exposure resulting from unit-related releases.

Part B of the permit application consists of the general and specific information requirements contained in §§ 270.14 through 270.29. These part B information requirements reflect the standards promulgated in 40 CFR part 264. Under § 270.14(a), owner/operators who can demonstrate that the information prescribed in part B cannot

be provided to the extent required may receive case-by-case allowances from EPA.

General information requirements are outlined in § 270.14. Sections 270.14(b)(1)–(14) require owner/operators to provide information on compliance with general facility standards. Financial assurance information is required under §§ 270.15–.18. Section 270.14(b)(19) requires owner/operators to submit a topographical map, and § 270.14(b)(21) covers special requirements for owner/operators of land disposal facilities granted case-by-case extensions under § 268.5 or petitions under § 268.6. Information on ground-water quality and monitoring programs for land disposal facilities is discussed under §§ 270.14(c)(1)–(8). Section 270.14(d) establishes part B information requirements for solid waste management units.

In addition to the general part B information that must be submitted by all owner/operators of TSDFs, there are unique information requirements related to the type of unit for which the owner/operator is seeking a permit. The requirements under §§ 270.15–.21 and .23 address specific requirements for the following types of units: containers, tank systems, surface impoundments, waste piles, incinerators, land treatment units, landfills, boilers and industrial furnaces, and miscellaneous units. Sections 270.24 and 270.25 apply to facilities with process vents or equipment subject to the requirements of 40 CFR parts 264/265, subparts AA and BB, respectively. Section 270.26 applies to facilities with drip pads subject to the requirements of 40 CFR parts 264/265, subpart W.

Some owner/operators may also be required to submit a schedule of compliance leading to compliance with RCRA and regulations as part of their application. The requirements for schedules of compliance are contained in § 270.33.

Permit Modifications and Special Permits

Sections 270.40 through 270.42 address the requirements for permit modifications. Section 270.40 applies to owner/operators transferring ownership or operational control of a facility. These owner/operators must submit Class 1 permit modifications as well as a written agreement containing specific transfer information. Requirements for owner/operators submitting permit modifications at the request of the Agency are contained in § 270.41. Requirements for Class 1, 2, and 3 permit modifications submitted at the

request of the permittee are contained in § 270.42(a)–(c). Section 270.42(d) allows permittees to request that the Agency determine the classification for a specific modification. Sections 270.42(e) and (g) discuss requirements for temporary authorization and permit modifications for newly regulated wastes and units, respectively.

In 40 CFR part 264, subpart S, EPA promulgated regulations for corrective action management units (CAMUs). 40 CFR 264.552(d) requires owner/operators to prepare and submit information that enables EPA to designate a CAMU.

Requirements for permit renewal are contained in §§ 270.50 and 270.51. In order to renew an expiring permit, owner/operators must submit an application containing the information required under § 270.14 and the applicable sections of §§ 270.15 through 270.29.

Sections 270.60 and 270.62 through 270.65 address the requirements associated with special types of permits. These include permits by rule (§ 270.60); hazardous waste incinerator permits (§ 270.62); permits for land treatment demonstrations using field test or laboratory analyses (§ 270.63); interim permits for UIC wells (§ 270.64); and research, development and demonstration permits (§ 270.65).

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 July 23, 1999 (64 FR 39986); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 165 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: Business.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 74.

Frequency of Response: Occasional.
Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 12,209 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Capital, Operating/Maintenance Cost Burden: \$2,468,000.

Changes in the Estimates: There is a decrease of 165,523 hours in the total estimated burden currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved ICR Burdens. This is due to a lower number of affected facilities.

Dated: March 25, 2003.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP–2003–0085; FRL–7290–2]

Product Registration Maintenance Fees; Renewal of Pesticide Information Collection Activities and Request for Comments

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) this notice announces that EPA is seeking public comment on the following Information Collection Request (ICR): Product Registration Maintenance Fees (EPA ICR No. 1214.06, OMB Control No. 2070–0100). This is a request to renew an existing ICR that is currently approved and due to expire January 31, 2004. 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 ID number OPP–2003–0085, must be received on or before June 2, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit III. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Vogel, Field and External Affairs Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001; telephone number: (703) 305–6475; fax number: (703) 305–5884; e-mail address: vogel.nancy@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you are an individual or entity engaged in activities related to the registration of a pesticide product. Potentially affected entities may include, but are not limited to:

- Pesticide and other agricultural chemical manufacturing (NAICS 325320), e.g., Pesticide registrants.

This listing 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 above could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether this action might apply to certain entities. To determine whether you or your business may be affected by this action, you should carefully examine the applicability provisions in the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

II. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?

A. Docket

EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPP–2003–0085. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal