

U.S. Department of Labor, and includes benefits. As in previous ICRs, 50 percent overhead costs were added to the average State rate.

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**James A. Hanlon,**

Director, Office of Wastewater Management.  
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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OAR-2003-0042-FRL-7495-8]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Information Requirements for Importation of Nonconforming Vehicles; Information Requirements for Importation of Nonconforming Nonroad Compression Ignition (CI) and Small Spark Ignition (SI) Engines

**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 proposed and/or continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Information Requirements for Importation of Nonconforming Vehicles, OMB Control Number 2060-0095, expiration date 08/31/03; Information Requirements for Nonconforming Nonroad Compression Ignition (CI) and Small Spark Ignition (SI) Engines, OMB Control Number 2060-0294, expiration date 08/31/03. 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 7, 2003.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mrs. Chestine Payton, Certification and Compliance Division, Outreach and Planning Group, 6405J, telephone (202) 564-9240, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, telefax (202) 565-2057, and email [payton.chestine@epa.gov](mailto:payton.chestine@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID number OAR-2003-0042, which is available for public viewing at the Air 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 Air Docket is (202) 566-1742. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. You may use EDOCKET to obtain a copy of the draft collection of information, 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 within 60 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 [air-and-r-docket@epa.gov](mailto:air-and-r-docket@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, OAR, Mailcode 6102T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

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. For further information about the electronic docket, see EPA's **Federal Register** notice describing the electronic docket at 67 *FR* 38102 (May 31, 2002), or go to [www.epa.gov/edocket](http://www.epa.gov/edocket).

**Affected entities:** Entities potentially affected by this action include individuals and businesses (including Independent Commercial Importers) importing on and off-road motor vehicles, motor vehicle engines, or nonroad engines, including nonroad engines incorporated into nonroad equipment or nonroad vehicles.

**Title:** Information Requirements for Importation of Nonconforming Vehicles, OMB #2060-0095, expiring 08/31/03; Information Requirements for Nonconforming Nonroad Compression Ignition (CI) and Small Spark Ignition (SI) Engines, OMB #2060-0294, expiring 08/31/03.

**Abstract:** Individuals and businesses importing on and off-road motor vehicles, motor vehicle engines, or nonroad engines, including nonroad engines incorporated into nonroad equipment or nonroad vehicles report and keep records of vehicle importations, request prior approval for vehicle importations, or request final admission for vehicles conditionally imported into the U.S. The collection of this information is mandatory in order to ensure compliance of nonconforming vehicles with Federal emissions requirements. Joint EPA and Customs regulations at 40 CFR 85.1501 *et seq.*, 89.601 *et seq.*, 90.601 *et seq.*, and 19 CFR 12.73 and 12.74 promulgated under the authority of Clean Air Act sections 203 and 208 give authority for the collection of information. This authority was extended to nonroad engines under section 213(d). The information is used by program personnel to ensure that all Federal emission requirements concerning imported nonconforming motor vehicles and nonroad engines are met. Any information submitted to the Agency for which a claim of confidentiality is made is safeguarded according to policies set forth in title 40, chapter 1, part 2, subpart B—Confidentiality of Business Information (see CFR part 2), and the public is not permitted access to information containing personal or organizational identifiers. 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 annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.7 hours per response (OMB #2060-0095), and 0.5 hours per response (OMB #2060-0294) respectively. 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.

#### OMB #2060-0095

**Respondents/Affected entities:** Individuals and businesses importing motor vehicles and motor vehicle engines.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 13,000.

**Frequency of Response:** 1.6 responses/year.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 15,800.

**Estimated Total Annualized Costs Burden:** \$ 1,266,000.

#### OMB #2060-0294

**Respondents/Affected entities:** Individuals and businesses importing compression-ignition nonroad engines and small spark-ignition nonroad engines, including those incorporated into nonroad equipment or vehicles.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 1,500.

**Frequency of Response:** 100 responses/year.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 76,370.50.

**Estimated Total Annualized Costs Burden:** \$ 93,765.00.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7495-7]

### Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Process for Exempting Critical Uses of Methyl Bromide

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of solicitation of applications and information on alternatives.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is soliciting applications for the Critical Use Exemption from the phaseout of methyl bromide. This application process offers users of methyl bromide the opportunity to provide technical and economic information to support a "critical use" claim.

Methyl bromide is a chemical pesticide that has been identified under the *Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer* and the Clean Air Act, as an ozone-depleting substance. It is scheduled for complete phaseout by January 1, 2005. The Critical Use Exemption is designed to allow continued production and import of methyl bromide after the phaseout for those uses that have no technically and economically feasible alternatives. Because Critical Use Exemptions are exemptions from the January 1, 2005, methyl bromide phaseout, they will become effective after that date.

Applicants for the exemption are requested to submit technical and economic information to EPA for U.S. review. The U.S. will then create a

national nomination for review by the Parties to the Montreal Protocol. EPA encourages users with similar circumstances of use to submit a single application. Please contact your state regulatory agency to receive information about their involvement in the process.

**DATES:** Applications for the Critical Use Exemption must be postmarked on or before August 6, 2003. The response period is now 90 days reflecting the clarifications and reduction of burden in the application.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications for the methyl bromide Critical Use Exemption should be submitted in duplicate (two copies) by mail to: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Programs, Biological and Economic Analysis Division, Attention Methyl Bromide Review Team, Mail Code 7503C, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460 or by courier delivery (other than U.S. Post Office overnight) to: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Programs, Biological and Economic Analysis Division, Attention Methyl Bromide Review Team, Crystal Mall II, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202. Applicants are encouraged to send an electronic version of their application and/or attached documents along with their paper submission or sent via electronic mail to [bromide.methyl@epa.gov](mailto:bromide.methyl@epa.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

**General Information:** U.S. EPA Stratospheric Ozone Information Hotline, 1-800-296-1996.

**Technical Information:** Bill Chism, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Programs (7503C), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, 703-308-8136.

**Economic Information:** David Widawsky, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Programs (7503C), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, 703-308-8150.

**Regulatory Information:** Hodayah Finman, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Global Programs Division (6205J), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, 202-564-2651.

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