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*Title:* Federal Operating Permit Regulations (Renewal).

*ICR numbers:* EPA ICR No. 1713.06, OMB Control No. 2060-0336.

*ICR Status:* This ICR was scheduled to expire on March 31, 2007, but an emergency extension granted by OMB on March 13, 2007 extended the expiration date to June 30, 2007. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB. 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 in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

*Abstract:* Title V of the Clean Air Act (Act) requires States to develop and implement a program for issuing operating permits to all sources that fall under any Act definition of "major" and certain other non-major sources that are subject to Federal air quality regulations. The Act further requires EPA to develop regulations that establish the minimum requirements for those State operating permits programs, to oversee implementation of the State programs, and to operate a Federal operating permits program in areas not subject to an approved State program.

The EPA regulations setting forth requirements for the Federal operating permits program are at part 71, title 40, chapter I of the Code of Federal Regulations. These are referred to as the "Part 71 Federal Operating Permit Regulations," which are the subject of the ICR addressed in this notice. The part 71 program is being implemented for sources located in Indian country, Outer Continental Shelf sources, and in areas that do not have part 70 programs.

*Burden Statement:* The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for the part 71 collection of information is estimated to average 221 hours per permitted source. 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 which have subsequently changed; 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:* Sources are required to obtain a part 71 permit from EPA if (1) they are located in areas where there is no approved State, local, or Tribal part 70 program (such as Indian country, the Outer Continental Shelf, and Deepwater ports); (2) they are located in areas where the State, local, or Tribal permitting authority is deficient in implementing an approved part 70 program (none currently or expected); or (3) if EPA has objected to a draft part 70 permit and the State, local, or Tribal permitting authority has failed to adequately resolve the objection (rare).

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 123 sources.

*Frequency of Response:* Sources must apply for an initial permit when the source becomes subject, renew permits every 5 years, submit monitoring reports semi-annually, and submit a compliance certification annually. In addition, approximately 50 percent of sources apply for an administrative amendment each year, 50 percent for a minor permit modification, and 10 percent for a significant permit modification.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 27,218 hours for sources.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$1,128,784 for sources, includes \$0 annualized capital or O&M costs.

*Changes in the Estimates:* There is an increase of 3,141 hours in the estimated annual burden for sources compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB. This increase is due to the larger number of sources that will be subject to non-delegated program administration by EPA as a consequence of there being more major sources subject to the program (123 as opposed to 105 in the last ICR) and as a normal consequence of changes in the mix of source activities over time. The increase is not due to any EPA actions to revise regulations or policy since the last ICR update. In its role as the permitting authority for the part 71 program, EPA's

estimated annual burden will decrease by over 24,000 hours as compared to the currently approved ICR. This reduction is due to a change in assumptions to eliminate the scenario where EPA issues a Notice of Deficiency and takes over permitting in a State due to poor implementation or enforcement of a part 70 program.

Dated: June 6, 2007.

**Sara Hisel-McCoy,**

*Acting Director, Collection Strategies Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OEI-2007-0412; FRL-8327-6]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Central Data Exchange (CDX) Information Collection Request; EPA ICR No. 2002.04, OMB Control No. 2025-0025

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit a request to renew an existing approved Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This ICR is scheduled to expire on 11/30/2007.

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 August 14, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OEI-2007-0412, by one of the following methods:

- [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov): Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- *E-mail:* [oei.docket@epa.gov](mailto:oei.docket@epa.gov).

- *Fax:* (202) 566-9744.

- *Mail:* U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), OEI Docket, Mail Code: 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

- *Hand Delivery:* EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), Public Reading Room, Room 3334, EPA West Building, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. Such deliveries are only accepted

during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

**Instructions:** Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OEI-2007-0412. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or e-mail. The [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Central Data Exchange (CDX), 2823T, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-566-2133; fax number: 202-566-1684; e-mail address: [holloway.katrail@epa.gov](mailto:holloway.katrail@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**How Can I Access the Docket and/or Submit Comments?**

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OEI-2007-0412, which is available for online viewing at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), or in person viewing at the Office of Environmental Information Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public

Reading Room is open from 8 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 Office of Environmental Information Docket is 202-566-1752.

Use [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) to obtain a copy of the draft collection of information, submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the 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 in this document.

**What Information is EPA Particularly Interested in?**

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it 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. In particular, EPA is requesting comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25) on examples of specific additional efforts that EPA could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very small businesses affected by this collection.

**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 and provide specific examples.
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. Offer alternative ways to improve the collection activity.

6. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline identified under **DATES**.

7. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket ID 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.

**What Information Collection Activity or ICR Does This Apply to?**

**Affected entities:** Entities potentially affected by this action are state, tribal, and local environmental programs.

**Title:** Central Data Exchange (CDX) Information Collection Request

**ICR numbers:** EPA ICR No. 2002.04, OMB Control No. 2025-0025

**ICR status:** "This ICR is currently scheduled to expire on 11/30/2007." 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 in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

**Abstract:** The scope of this Information Collection Request has been reduced to CDX activities. Collection activities associated with the CROMERR rule will be addressed in future notices as appropriate. The information planned to be collected will focus on CDX registration and activities. To further the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, CDX will provide Agency's compliance to the Government Paperwork Elimination Act (GPEA). This will reduce burden on public when having to submit data to the EPA. Responses to the collection of information are voluntary. In order for CDX to accommodate CBI, the information collected must be in accordance with the confidentiality regulations set forth in 40 CFR Part 2, Subpart B. Additionally, EPA will ensure that the information collection procedures comply with the Privacy Act of 1974 and the OMB Circular 108.

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.4 hours per registrant. 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 which have subsequently changed; 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 the Agency's estimate, which is only briefly summarized here:

*Estimated total number of potential respondents:* 17,000.

*Frequency of response:* Annually.

*Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent:* 17,000.

*Estimated total annual burden hours:* 23,800 hours.

*Estimated total annual costs:* \$850,000. This includes an estimated burden cost of \$225,000 and an estimated cost of \$225,000 for capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

#### **Are There Changes in the Estimates From the Last Approval?**

For CDX flows that are subject to Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (CROMERR) electronic signature requirements, user registration involves the collection of information sufficient to establish the identity of the user and his or her authorization to sign the report(s) in question. For purpose of establishing identity, in most cases the registration process involves asking the user to sign and submit a paper electronic signature agreement that sets forth the terms and conditions under which the user will electronically sign submissions to CDX; the user will also be asked to supply certain items of personal information, including—in a few cases—government-issued identifiers such as a social security number. For purposes of establishing signatory authorization, registration may involve collecting information about the user's position in the organization for which s/he will sign reports, either from the user or from some official in the organization.

This ICR renewal accounts for the burden on registrants of providing this information for CDX flows. When this ICR was originally submitted for approval, it accounted for the

CROMERR-related burden on registrants for all EPA programs that might incorporate electronic reporting, whether or not the program's electronic reporting involved a CDX flow. By agreement with the affected programs, the CROMERR burden not connected with a CDX flow will now be accounted for under the ICRs specific to those programs. As a result, the burden associated with this CDX-specific ICR renewal is substantially reduced from what was calculated for the original version.

#### **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. At that time, 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**.

Dated: June 5, 2007.

**Doreen Sterling,**

*Director, Information Exchange & Services Division.*

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[EPA-HQ-AO-2007-0408; FRL-8327-8]**

#### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Regulatory Pilot Projects (Renewal); EPA ICR No. 1755.08; OMB Control No. 2010-0026**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit a request to renew an existing approved Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This ICR is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2007. 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 August 14, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OA-2007-0408 identified by the Docket ID numbers provided for each item in the text, by one of the following methods:

- *http://www.regulations.gov:* Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- *E-mail:* [oei.docket@epa.gov](mailto:oei.docket@epa.gov).

- *Fax:* (202) 566-9744.

- *Mail:* OA Docket, EPA Docket

Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460.

- *Hand Delivery:* Office of the Administrator Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

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