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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On May 30, 2008 (73 FR 31087), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments. Any additional comments on this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0094, which is available for online viewing at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), or in-person viewing at the Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue, 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 Air and Radiation Docket is 202-566-1742.

Use EPA's electronic docket and comment system at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and to access those documents in the docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "docket search," then key in the docket ID number identified above. Please note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, Confidential Business Information (CBI), or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. For further information about the electronic docket, go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Title:** Reporting Requirements under EPA's Climate Leaders Partnership (Renewal).

**ICR numbers:** EPA ICR No. 2100.03, OMB Control No. 2060-0532.

**ICR Status:** This ICR is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2008. 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, and included on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable.

**Abstract:** In an effort to aid implementation of U.S. commitments in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the President announced a Climate Change Strategy on February 14, 2002, wherein he set a national U.S. greenhouse gas (GHG) intensity goal of 18 percent by 2012. Part of that strategy challenges companies to set GHG reduction goals by working with EPA through the voluntary Climate Leaders program. EPA has developed this renewal ICR to ensure that the program remains credible by obtaining continued authorization to collect information from Climate Leaders Partners to ensure the partners are meeting their GHG goals over time. Companies that join Climate Leaders voluntarily agree to the following: Completing and submitting a Partnership Agreement; negotiating a corporate GHG reduction goal; submitting a GHG inventory management plan; participating in an onsite review of the inventory management plan, and reporting to EPA, on an annual basis, the company's GHG emissions inventory, and progress toward their GHG reduction goal via Climate Leaders Annual GHG Inventory Summary and Goal Tracking Form. The information contained in the inventories of the companies that join Climate Leaders may be considered Confidential Business Information (CBI) and is maintained as such. EPA uses the data obtained from the companies to assess the success of the program in achieving its GHG reduction goals. Responses to the information collection are voluntary.

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to equal 19,636 hours and to average 87 hours per respondent. 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:** Climate Leaders Partner Corporations.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 225.

**Frequency of Response:** Annually, on occasion, one-time.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 19,636.

**Estimated Total Annual Cost:** \$1,847,826, which includes \$0 annualized capital/startup costs; \$105 annualized Operating and Maintenance (O&M) costs and \$1,847,721 annualized labor costs.

**Changes in the Estimates:** There is an increase of 7,681 hours in the total estimated burden compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB. Although the reporting requirements of the Climate Leader Partnership have been streamlined to reduce the individual burden for each reporter, the increase in overall costs are due to the continued growth in the number of companies participating in the Partnership. EPA has collaborated with partners to develop these revised reporting requirements, which are better suited for establishing and tracking progress of corporate GHG reduction goals. This change is result of a more interactive program approach between EPA and Climate Leaders Partners and a larger number of partners in the program since the currently approved ICR.

Dated: October 23, 2008.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8734-8]

### EPA Office of Children's Health Protection and Environmental Education Staff Office; Request for Nominations of Candidates for the National Environmental Education Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) Office of Children's Health Protection and Environmental Education Staff

Office is soliciting applications of environmental education professionals for consideration on the National Environmental Education Advisory Council (NEEAC). There are currently two vacancies on the Advisory Council that must be filled: one State Department of Education (2009–2012); one Primary and Secondary Education (2009–2012). Additional avenues and resources may be utilized in the solicitation of applications.

**DATES:** Applications should be submitted by November 21, 2008 per instructions below.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit non-electronic application materials to Ginger Potter, Designated Federal Officer, National Environmental Education Advisory Council, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Children's Health Protection and Environmental Education (MC:1704A), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, Ph: 202–564–0453, FAX: 202–564–2754, e-mail: [potter.ginger@epa.gov](mailto:potter.ginger@epa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information regarding this Request for Nominations, please contact Ms. Ginger Potter, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), EPA National Environmental Education Advisory Council, at [potter.ginger@epa.gov](mailto:potter.ginger@epa.gov) or (202) 564–0453. General information concerning NEEAC can be found on the EPA web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/enviroed>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* Section 9(a) and (b) of the National Environmental Education Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101–619) mandates a National Environmental Education Advisory Council. The Advisory Council provides the Administrator with advice and recommendations on EPA implementation of the National Environmental Education Act. In general, the Act is designed to increase public understanding of environmental issues and problems, and to improve the training of environmental education professionals. EPA will achieve these goals, in part, by awarding grants and/or establishing partnerships with other Federal agencies, state and local education and natural resource agencies, not-for-profit organizations, universities, and the private sector to encourage and support environmental education and training programs. The Council is also responsible for preparing a national biennial report to Congress that will describe and assess the extent and quality of environmental education, discuss major obstacles to improving environmental education, and identify

the skill, education, and training needs for environmental professionals.

The National Environmental Education Act requires that the Council be comprised of eleven (11) members appointed by the Administrator of EPA. Members represent a balance of perspectives, professional qualifications, and experience. The Act specifies that members must represent the following sectors: primary and secondary education (one of whom shall be a classroom teacher)—two members; colleges and universities—two members; business and industry—two members; non profit organizations involved in environmental education—two members; state departments of education and natural resources—one member each; senior Americans—one member. Members are chosen to represent various geographic regions of the country, and the Council strives for a diverse representation. The professional backgrounds of Council members should include education, science, policy, or other appropriate disciplines. Each member of the Council shall hold office for a one (1) to three (3) year period. Members are expected to participate in up to two (2) meetings per year and monthly or more conference calls per year. Members of the Council shall receive compensation and allowances, including travel expenses, at a rate fixed by the Administrator.

**Expertise Sought:** The NEEAC staff office seeks candidates with demonstrated experience and/or knowledge in any of the following environmental education issue areas: (a) Integrating environmental education into state and local education reform and improvement; (b) state, local and tribal level capacity building; (c) cross-sector partnerships; (d) leveraging resources for environmental education; (e) design and implementation of environmental education research; (f) evaluation methodology; professional development for teachers and other education professionals; and (g) targeting under-represented audiences, including low-income, multi-cultural, senior citizens and other adults.

The NEEAC staff office is also looking for individuals who demonstrate the ability to make the time commitment, strong leadership skills, strong analytical skills, strong communication and writing skills, the ability to stand apart and evaluate programs in an unbiased manner, team players, have the conviction to follow-through and to meet deadlines, and the ability to review items on short notice.

**How to Submit Applications:** Any interested and qualified individuals

may be considered for appointment on the National Environmental Education Advisory Council. Applications should be submitted in electronic format to the Designated Federal Officer [potter.ginger@epa.gov](mailto:potter.ginger@epa.gov) and contain the following: contact information including name, address, phone and fax numbers and an e-mail address; a curriculum vita or resume; the specific area of expertise in environmental education and the sector/slot the applicant is applying for; recent service on other national advisory committees or national professional organizations and; a one-page commentary on the applicant's philosophy regarding the need for, development, implementation and/or management of environmental education nationally. Additionally, a supporting letter of endorsement is required. This letter may also be submitted electronically as described above.

Persons having questions about the application procedure or who are unable to submit applications by electronic means, should contact Ginger Potter, DFO, at the contact information provided above in this notice. Non-electronic submissions must contain the same information as the electronic. The NEEAC Staff Office will acknowledge receipt of the application. The NEEAC Staff Office will develop a short list for more detailed consideration. Short list candidates will be required to fill out the Confidential Disclosure Form for Special Government Employees Serving Federal Advisory Committees at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA Form 3110–48). This confidential form allows government officials to determine whether there is a statutory conflict between that person's public responsibilities (which include membership on a Federal advisory committee) and private interests and activities and the appearance of a lack of impartiality as defined by Federal regulation. The form may be viewed and downloaded from the following URL address: <http://www.epa.gov/sab/pdf/epaform3110-48.pdf>.

Dated: October 10, 2008.

**Ginger Potter,**

*Designated Federal Officer.*

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