

monitoring provisions contained in 40 CFR part 257, subpart B.

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 74 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 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.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 152.

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 11,219.

**Estimated Total Annual Cost (in thousands of dollars):** \$2,014,382, which includes \$1,577,659 annualized capital or O&M costs.

**Changes in the Estimates:** There is a decrease of 2,362 hours in the total estimated burden currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved ICR Burdens. This decrease is due to the reduction in the total number of Construction & Demolition landfills.

Dated: January 14, 2009.

**John Moses,**

*Acting Director, Collection Strategies Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-RCRA-2008-0914, FRL-8765-7]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Reporting Requirements Under EPA's National Partnership for Environmental Priorities, EPA ICR Number 2076.02, OMB Control Number 2050-0190

**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 May 31, 2009. 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 March 24, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-RCRA-2008-0914, by one of the following methods:

- *www.regulations.gov:* Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- E-mail: *rcra-docket@epa.gov*.
- Fax: 202-566-9744.
- Mail: RCRA Docket (2822T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.
- Hand Delivery: 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Room 3334, Washington, DC 20460. 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-RCRA-2008-0914. 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*, 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* or e-mail. The *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* 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:** Newman Smith, Office of Solid Waste (5302W), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 703-308-8757; fax number: 703-308-8433; e-mail address: *smith.newman@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-RCRA-2008-0914, which is available for online viewing at *www.regulations.gov*, or in person viewing at the RCRA 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 RCRA Docket is (202) 566-0270.

Use *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 business and other for-profit, as well as State, Local, and Tribal governments.

*Title:* Reporting Requirements Under EPA's National Partnership For Environmental Priorities.

*ICR numbers:* EPA ICR No. 2076.03, OMB Control No. 2050-0190.

*ICR status:* This ICR is currently scheduled to expire on May 31, 2009. 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:* EPA currently has an ongoing national program that, through source reduction, reuse, and recycling, encourages a reduction in use or the minimization of release of hazardous chemicals. Participation in the National Partnership for Environmental Priorities (NPEP) (previously the National Waste Minimization Partnership Program) is completely voluntary. Participation begins when the *Enrollment Form* is submitted and accepted by EPA. The form asks for basic site identification information as well as information on the company's chemical reduction goals under the program.

Once in the program, partners will also have an opportunity to complete and submit a *Success Story* when they have accomplished steps toward reaching the goal(s) established during their enrollment in the program. The *Success Story* also serves as the application for the NPEP Achievement Award. These Success Stories will be available on EPA's National Waste Minimization Program Web site. Each success story will describe a partner's waste minimization techniques, implementation problems, lessons learned, benefits, and relevant implications. These forms will enable the Agency to establish a partner's progress and the overall success of the program. They will also allow the Agency to recognize partner accomplishments in a formal manner, if appropriate (*e.g.*, at a recognition ceremony or by congratulatory letter).

*Burden Statement:* The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 16 hours per response for the Enrollment Form and 9 hours per response for the Success Stories. 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:* 163.

*Frequency of response:* On occasion.

*Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent:* 1.

*Estimated total annual burden hours:* 642.

*Estimated total annual costs:* \$0. This includes an estimated burden cost of \$0 capital investment and \$0 maintenance and operational costs.

#### 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: January 9, 2009.

**Matt Hale,**

*Director, Office of Solid Waste.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OW-FRL-8765-6]

### Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health Act

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of 2009 BEACH Act Grants.

**SUMMARY:** The Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health (BEACH) Act, signed into law on October 10, 2000, amended the Clean Water Act (CWA), to incorporate provisions to reduce the risk of illness to users of the Nation's recreational waters. Section 406(b) of the CWA, as amended by the BEACH Act, authorizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to award grants to eligible States, Territories, Tribes, and local governments to develop and implement programs for monitoring coastal recreation waters, including the Great Lakes, and notifying the public of the potential exposure to disease-causing