ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule
State Authorized Program Revision
Approval: State of New York

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces EPA’s approval, under regulations for Cross-Media Electronic Reporting, of the State of New York’s request to revise its EPA-authorized program to allow electronic reporting.

DATES: EPA’s approval is effective January 12, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Evi Huffer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information, Mail Stop 2823T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 566–1697, huffer.evi@epa.gov, or David Schwarz, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information, Mail Stop 2823T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 566–1704, schwarz.david@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 13, 2005, the final Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (CROMERR) was published in the Federal Register (70 FR 59848) and codified as part 3 of title 40 of the CFR. CROMERR establishes electronic reporting as an acceptable regulatory alternative to paper reporting and establishes requirements to assure that electronic documents are as legally dependable as their paper counterparts. Subpart D of CROMERR, requires that State, Tribal or local government agencies that receive, or wish to begin receiving, electronic reports under their EPA-authorized programs must apply to EPA for a revision or modification of those programs and get EPA approval. Subpart D provides standards for such approvals based on consideration of the electronic document receiving systems that the State, Tribe, or local government will use to implement the electronic reporting. Additionally, in § 3.1000(b) through (e) of 40 CFR part 3, subpart D provides special procedures for program revisions and modifications to allow electronic reporting, to be used at the option of the State, Tribe or local government in place of procedures available under existing program-specific authorization regulations. An application submitted under the subpart D procedures must show that the State, Tribe or local government has sufficient legal authority to implement the electronic reporting components of the programs covered by the application and will use electronic document receiving systems that meet the applicable subpart D requirements.

On August 21, 2009, the State of New York Department of Environmental Conservation (NYDEC) submitted an application for its Hazardous Waste Annual Reporting System (HWARS) for revision of its EPA-authorized program under title 40 CFR. EPA reviewed NYDEC’s request to revise its EPA-authorized program and, based on this review, EPA determined that the application met the standards for approval of authorized program revisions set out in 40 CFR part 3, subpart D. In accordance with 40 CFR 3.1000(d), this notice of EPA’s decision to approve New York’s request for revision to its authorized program is being published in the Federal Register. Specifically, EPA has approved the State of New York’s request to revise its Part 272—Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Programs EPA-authorized program for electronic reporting of hazardous waste information under 40 CFR parts 262, 264, and 265, for electronic submissions that do not include an electronic signature but instead provide for a handwritten signature on a separate paper submission report.

NYDEC was notified of EPA’s determination to approve its application with respect to the authorized programs listed above.


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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Draft Toxicological Review of Methanol: In Support of the Summary Information in the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public comment period and listening session.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing a public comment period and a public listening session for the external review draft document titled “Toxicological Review of Methanol: In Support of Summary Information on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)” (EPA/635/R–09/013). The draft document was prepared by the National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) within the EPA’s Office of Research and Development (ORD). The public comment period and the EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) meeting, which will be scheduled at a later date and announced in the Federal Register, are separate processes that provide opportunities for all interested parties to comment on the document. EPA intends to forward the public comments that are submitted in accordance with this notice to the SAB peer-review panel prior to the meeting for their consideration. When finalizing the draft document, EPA intends to consider any public comments that EPA receives in accordance with this notice.

EPA is also announcing a listening session to be held on February 23, 2010, during the public comment period for this draft document. This listening session is a step in EPA’s revised IRIS process, announced on May 21, 2009, to develop human health assessments for inclusion in the IRIS database. The purpose of the listening session is to allow all interested parties to present scientific and technical comments on draft IRIS health assessments to EPA and other interested parties during the public comment period and before the external peer review meeting. EPA welcomes the scientific and technical comments that will be provided to the Agency by the listening session participants. The comments will be considered by the Agency as it revises the draft assessment in response to the independent external peer review and the public comments. All presentations submitted to EPA according to the instructions below will become part of the official public record.

EPA is releasing this draft document solely for the purpose of pre-dissemination peer review under applicable information quality guidelines. This document has not been formally disseminated by EPA. It does not represent and should not be construed to represent any Agency policy or determination.

DATES: The public comment period begins January 12, 2010, and ends March 15, 2010. Technical comments should be in writing and must be received by EPA by March 15, 2010.

The listening session on the draft IRIS health assessment for methanol will be held on February 23, 2010, beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 4 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. If you would like to make a presentation at the listening session, please contact EPA by March 15, 2010.
session, you should register by February 16, 2010, indicate that you wish to make oral comments at the session, and indicate the length of your presentation. When you register, please indicate if you will need audio-visual aid (e.g., lap top and slide projector). In general, each presentation should be no more than 30 minutes. If, however, there are more requests for presentations than the allotted time allows, then the time limit for each presentation will be adjusted. A copy of the agenda for the listening session will be available at the meeting. If no speakers have registered by February 16, 2010, the listening session will be cancelled and EPA will notify those registered of the cancellation.

Listening session participants who want EPA to share their comments with the external peer reviewers should also submit written comments during the public comment period using the detailed and established procedures described in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice. Comments submitted to the docket prior to the end of the public comment period will be submitted to the external peer reviewers and considered by EPA in the disposition of public comments. All comments must be submitted to the docket. Comments received after the public comment period closes will not be submitted to the external peer reviewers.

ADDRESSES: The draft “Toxicological Review of Methanol: In Support of Summary Information on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)” is available primarily via the Internet on the NCEA home page under the Recent Additions and Publications menus at http://www.epa.gov/ncea. A limited number of paper copies are available from the Information Management Team, NCEA; telephone: 703–347–8561; facsimile: 703–347–8691. If you are requesting a paper copy, please provide your name, mailing address, and the document title.

Comments may be submitted electronically via http://www.regulations.gov, by mail, by facsimile, or by hand delivery/courier. Please follow the detailed instructions as provided in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice.

The listening session on the draft methanol assessment will be held at the EPA offices at Two Potomac Yard (North Building), 7th Floor, Room 7100, 2733 South Crystal Drive, Arlington, Virginia, 22202. To attend the listening session, register by February 16, 2010, by sending an e-mail to IRISListeningSession@epa.gov, (subject line: Methanol Listening Session); by calling Christine Ross at 703–347–8592; or by faxing a registration request to 703–347–8689. Please reference the “Methanol Listening Session” and include your name, title, affiliation, full address and contact information. Please note that to gain entrance to this EPA building to attend the meeting, attendees must have photo identification with them and must register at the guard’s desk in the lobby. The guard will retain your photo identification and will provide you with a visitor’s badge. At the guard’s desk, attendees should give the name Christine Ross and the telephone number, 703–347–8592, to the guard on duty. The guard will contact Ms. Ross who will meet you in the reception area to escort you to the meeting room. When you leave the building, please return your visitor’s badge to the guard and you will receive your photo identification.

A teleconference line will also be available for registered attendees/speakers. The teleconference number is 866–299–3188 and the access code is 926–378–7897, followed by the pound sign (#). The teleconference line will be activated at 8:45 am, and you will be asked to identify yourself and your affiliation at the beginning of the call.

Information on Services for Individuals with Disabilities: EPA welcomes public attendance at the Methanol Listening Session and will make every effort to accommodate persons with disabilities. For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact the Office of Environmental Information (OEI) Docket (Mail Code: 0398) at the following locations:

- Telephone: 919–541–0245; or e-mail: OEIDocket@epa.gov.
- Fax: 919–541–4828; or e-mail: OEIDocket@epa.gov.

For information on the public listening sessions, please contact Christine Ross, IRIS Staff, National Center for Environmental Assessment, (8601P), U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone: 703–347–8592; facsimile: 703–347–8689; or e-mail: IRISListeningSession@epa.gov.

If you have questions about the document, contact Jeffrey Gift, Ph.D., National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA), U.S. EPA, 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, B243–01, Durham, NC 27711; telephone: 919–541–4828; facsimile: 919–541–0245; or e-mail: gift.jeff@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Information About IRIS

IRIS is a database that contains potential adverse human health effects information that may result from chronic (or lifetime) exposure to specific chemical substances found in the environment. The database (available on the Internet at http://www.epa.gov/iris) contains qualitative and quantitative health effects information for more than 540 chemical substances that may be used to support the first two steps (hazard identification and dose–response evaluation) of a risk assessment process. When supported by available data, the database provides oral reference doses (RfDs) and inhalation reference concentrations (RfCs) for chronic health effects, and oral slope factors and inhalation unit risks for carcinogenic effects. Combined with specific exposure information, government and private entities can use IRIS data to help characterize public health risks of chemical substances in a site-specific situation and thereby support risk management decisions designed to protect public health.

II. How To Submit Technical Comments to the Docket at http://www.regulations.gov

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–ORD–2009–0398 by one of the following methods:

- E-mail: ORD.Docket@epa.gov.
- Fax: 202–566–1753.

Hand Delivery: The OEI Docket is located in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center, EPA West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center’s 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 Public Reading Room is 202–566–1744. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket’s normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. If you provide comments by mail or hand delivery, please submit
the OEI Docket in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center.
Dated: December 17, 2009.

Rebecca Clark,
Acting Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment.

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EXPATORY–IMPORT BANK OF THE U.S.

[Public Notice 141]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: Export-Import Bank of the U.S.

ACTION: Submission for OMB Review and Comments Request, OMB 3048–0020.

Form Title
Notification by Insured of Amounts Payable Under Single Buyer Export Credit Insurance Policy (Standard Assignment) EIB 92–32.

SUMMARY: The Export-Import Bank of the United States (Ex-Im Bank), as a part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to comment on the proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. By neutralizing the effect of export credit insurance and guarantees offered by foreign government and by absorbing credit risks that the provide section will not accept, Export Import Bank enables U.S. exporters to compete fairly in foreign markets. These collections of information are used by exporters to convey legal rights to their financial institution lenders to share insurance policy proceeds from Export Import Bank approved insurance claims.

Changes to Form: Notification by Insured of Amounts Payable under Multi-Buyer Export Credit Insurance Policy (Standard Assignment) EIB 92–31.

Section B 5(b)

Change:
in the event Ex-Im Bank approves the Insured’s claim for payment, a check will be issued payable to the order of the Insured, unless the Insured provides the name of an assignee on the “Notice of Claim and Proof of Loss” in which case a check will be forwarded to the assignee, made payable jointly to the order of the Insured and the assignee named on the Notice of Claim and Proof of Loss.

To:
in the event Ex-Im Bank approves the Insured’s claim for payment, a wire transfer will be made to an assignee designated by the Insured on the “Notice of Claim and Proof of Loss.”

Section C 2(b)

Change:
to make all claim payments relating to this assignment by check forwarded to the Assignee, made payable jointly to the order of the Insured and the Assignee.

Changes to form: Notification by Insured of Amounts Payable under Single Buyer Export Credit Insurance Policy (Standard Assignment) EIB 92–32.

Section B 3(b)

Change:
in the event Ex-Im Bank approves the Insured’s claim for payment, a wire transfer will be made to an assignee designated by the Insured on the “Notice of Claim and Proof of Loss”. In which case a check will be forwarded to the assignee, made payable jointly to the order of the Insured and the assigned named on the Notice of Claim and Proof of Loss.

To:
in the event Ex-Im Bank approves the Insured’s claim for payment, a wire transfer will be made to the Assignee, payable to the Assignee.

Changes to form: Notification by Insured of Amounts Payable under Multi-Buyer Export Credit Insurance Policy (Standard Assignment) EIB 92–31.

Section C 2(b)

Change:
to make all claim payments relating to this assignment by check forwarded to the Assignee, made payable jointly to the order of the Insured and the Assignee.


Section C.2. (c)

Change: