

FERC-912—COGENERATION AND SMALL POWER PRODUCTION, PURPA SECTION 210(m) REGULATIONS FOR TERMINATION OR REINSTATEMENT OF OBLIGATION TO PURCHASE OR SELL—Continued

	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden and cost per response <sup>5</sup>	Total annual burden hours and total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1)
Reinstatement of obligations to purchase	0	0	0	0, \$0	0, \$0	0
Termination of obligation to sell .....	0	0	0	0, \$0	0, \$0	0
Reinstatement of obligation to sell .....	0	0	0	0, \$0	0, \$0	0
<b>Total</b> .....					60, \$4,320	864

<sup>5</sup> The estimates for cost per response are derived using the following formula: Average Burden Hours per Response \* \$72.00 per Hour = Average Cost per Response. The hourly cost figure comes from the FERC average salary (\$149,489/year). Commission staff believes the FERC average salary to be representative wage for industry respondents.

*Comments:* Comments are invited on:  
 (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility;  
 (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;  
 (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and  
 (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: August 18, 2015.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-9932-96-Region 10]

**Proposed Issuance of the NPDES General Permit for Offshore Seafood Processors in Federal Waters off the Washington and Oregon Coast (Permit Number WAG520000)**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed issuance of NPDES general permit and request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Director, Office of Water and Watersheds, EPA Region 10, is proposing to issue a general National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for Offshore Seafood Processors discharging in Federal Waters off the coasts of Washington and Oregon, pursuant to the provisions of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1251, *et*

*seq.* As proposed, the draft general permit authorizes the discharge of treated seafood processing wastes from facilities to Federal Waters of the contiguous zone and ocean.

**DATES:** The public comment period for the draft general permit will be from the date of publication of this Notice until October 8, 2015. Comments must be received or postmarked by no later than midnight Pacific Daylight Time on October 8, 2015. Persons wishing to request a public hearing should submit their written request by October 8, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on the proposed general permit should be sent to Lindsay Guzzo, Office of Water and Watersheds; USEPA Region 10; 1200 6th Ave., Suite 900, OWW-191; Seattle, Washington 98101. Comments may also be received via electronic mail at [Guzzo.Lindsay@epa.gov](mailto:Guzzo.Lindsay@epa.gov). A copy of the permit and other support documents can be found on the Region 10 Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/waterpermits.htm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lindsay Guzzo at [Guzzo.Lindsay@epa.gov](mailto:Guzzo.Lindsay@epa.gov) or (206) 553-0268. Requests may also be made to Audrey Washington at (206) 553-0523 or [Washington.Audrey@epa.gov](mailto:Washington.Audrey@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Public Comment**

The draft general permit contains technology-based effluent limitations, administrative and monitoring requirements, as well as other standard conditions, prohibitions, and management practices. A fact sheet has been prepared which sets forth the principle factual, legal, policy, and scientific information considered in the development of the draft general permit. Copies of the draft general permit, fact sheet, Biological Evaluation, Essential Fish Habitat Assessment, and Ocean Discharge Criteria Evaluation are

available online at <http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/waterpermits.htm> (click on draft permits, then Oregon and Washington), at the EPA Region 10 headquarters at the address listed above any time between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or mailed upon request. Interested persons may submit written comments to the attention of Lindsay Guzzo at the address above. All comments must include the name, address, and telephone number of the commenter, a concise statement of comment and the relevant facts upon which it is based. Comments of either support or concern which are directed at specific, cited permit requirements are appreciated.

After the expiration date of the Public Notice on October 8, 2015, the Director, Office of Water and Watersheds, EPA Region 10, will make a final determination with respect to issuance of the general permit. The proposed requirements contained in the draft general permit will become final upon issuance if no significant comments are received during the public comment period.

**Public Hearing**

Persons wishing to request a public hearing should submit their written request by October 8, 2015 stating the nature of the issues to be raised as well as the requester's name, address and telephone number to Lindsay Guzzo at the address above. If a public hearing is scheduled, notice will be published in the **Federal Register**. Notice will also be posted on the Region 10 Web site, and will be mailed to all interested persons receiving letters of the availability of the draft permit.

**Endangered Species Act**

Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA), 16 U.S.C. 1531-1544, requires federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service

(NMFS) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) if their actions have the potential to either beneficially or adversely affect any threatened or endangered species. To address these ESA requirements, and in support of the EPA's informal consultation with the Services, a Biological Evaluation (BE) was prepared to analyze these potential effects. The results of the BE concluded that discharges from Offshore Seafood Processing facilities will either have *no effect* or are *not likely to adversely affect* threatened or endangered species in the vicinity of the discharges. The fact sheet, the draft permits and the BE are being sent to the Services for review of consistency with those programs established for the conservation of endangered and threatened species. Any additional comments or conservation recommendations received from the Services regarding threatened or endangered species will be considered prior to issuance of the general permit.

Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act [16 U.S.C. 1855(b)] requires federal agencies to consult with NOAA Fisheries when any activity proposed to be permitted, funded, or undertaken by a federal agency may have an adverse effect on designated Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) as defined by the Act. To address the requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, the EPA prepared an EFH Assessment concluding that offshore seafood processors operations may adversely affect essential fish habitat. However, the EPA expects that effects on essential fish habitat, while possible, are likely to be limited in extent for several reasons. For more information please see the Biological Evaluation/EFH assessment. Any additional comments or conservation recommendations received from NOAA Fisheries regarding EFH will be considered prior to issuance of the general permit.

#### Executive Order 12866

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) exempts this action from the review requirements of Executive Order 12866 pursuant to Section 6 of that order.

#### Paperwork Reduction Act

The EPA has reviewed the requirements imposed on regulated facilities in the draft general permit and finds them consistent with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

#### Regulatory Flexibility Act

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, a federal agency must prepare an initial regulatory flexibility analysis "for any proposed rule" for which the agency "is required by section 553 of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), or any other law, to publish general notice of proposed rulemaking." The RFA exempts from this requirement any rule that the issuing agency certifies "will not, if promulgated, have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities." The EPA has concluded that NPDES general permits are permits, not rulemakings, under the APA and thus not subject to APA rulemaking requirements or the FRA.

Dated: August 14, 2015.

**Daniel D. Opalski,**

*Director, Office of Water and Watersheds, Region 10.*

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2007-0269; FRL 9929-63-OEI]

#### Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Transportation Conformity Determinations for Federally Funded and Approved Transportation Plans, Programs and Projects (Renewal)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency has submitted an information collection request (ICR), "Transportation Conformity Determinations for Federally Funded and Approved Transportation Plans, Programs and Projects (Renewal)" (EPA ICR No. 2130.05, OMB Control No. 2060-0561) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is approved through August 31, 2015. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** (80 FR 9454) on February 23, 2015 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. A fuller description of the ICR is given below, including its estimated burden and cost to the public.

**DATES:** Additional comments may be submitted on or before September 23, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2007-0269, to (1) EPA online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method) or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB via email to [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). Address comments to OMB Desk Officer for EPA.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Astrid Larsen, Transportation and Climate Division, State Measures and Transportation Planning Center, Environmental Protection Agency, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105; telephone number: 734-214-4812; fax number: 734-214-4052; email address: [larsen.astrid@epa.gov](mailto:larsen.astrid@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Supporting documents which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

*Abstract:* Transportation conformity is required under Clean Air Act section 176(c) (42 U.S.C. 7506(c)) to ensure that federally supported transportation activities are consistent with the purpose of the State Air Quality Implementation plan (SIP). Transportation activities include transportation plans, Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs), and federally funded or approved highway or transit projects. Conformity to the purpose of the SIP means that transportation activities will not cause or contribute to new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the relevant National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) or interim milestones. Transportation conformity applies under EPA's conformity regulations at