

- The application must contain a list of the vehicle model(s) which will be equipped with the technology.

- The application must contain a detailed description of the test vehicles selected and an engineering analysis that supports the selection of those vehicles for testing.

- The application must contain all testing and/or simulation data required under the regulations, plus any other data the manufacturer has considered in the analysis.

Finally, the alternative methodology must be approved by EPA prior to the manufacturer using it to generate credits. As part of the review process defined by regulation, the alternative methodology submitted to EPA for consideration must be made available for public comment.<sup>4</sup> EPA will consider public comments as part of its final decision to approve or deny the request for off-cycle credits.

## II. Off-Cycle Credit Applications

Using the alternative methodology approach discussed above, Volkswagen Group of America ("Volkswagen") is applying for credits for model years prior to 2014, and thus prior to when the list of default credits became available. Volkswagen has applied for off-cycle credits using the alternative demonstration methodology pathway for the following technologies: High efficiency exterior lighting, active aerodynamics, active transmission warmup, active engine warmup, and several thermal control technologies. EPA has already approved credits for these technologies for several other manufacturers, and Volkswagen's request is consistent with previously approved methodologies and credits. The application covers 2010–2011 model year vehicles. These technologies are described in the predetermined list of credits available in the 2014 and later model years. The methodologies described by Volkswagen are consistent with those used by EPA to establish the predetermined list of credits in the regulations, and would result in the same credit values as described in the regulations. The magnitude of these credits is determined by specification or calculations in the regulations based on vehicle-specific measurements (*e.g.*, the area of glass or the lighting locations using the specified technologies), but would be no higher than the following established regulatory values:

Technology	Off-cycle credit—cars (grams/mile)	Off-cycle credit—trucks (grams/mile)
High efficiency lighting	1.0	1.0
Active seat ventilation	1.0	1.3
Active aerodynamics ...	Based on measured reduction in the coefficient of drag.	
Active transmission warm-up .....	1.5	3.2
Active engine warm-up .....	1.5	3.2
Solar reflective glass/ glazing .....	2.9	3.9
Solar reflective paint ...	0.4	0.5

## III. EPA Decision Process

EPA has reviewed the application for completeness and is now making the application available for public review and comment as required by the regulations. The off-cycle credit application submitted by the manufacturer (with confidential business information redacted) have been placed in the public docket (see **ADDRESSES** section above) and on EPA's website at <https://www.epa.gov/vehicle-and-engine-certification/compliance-information-light-duty-greenhouse-gas-ghg-standards>.

EPA is providing a 30-day comment period on the applications for off-cycle credits described in this notice, as specified by the regulations. The manufacturers may submit a written rebuttal of comments for EPA's consideration, or may revise an application in response to comments. After reviewing any public comments and any rebuttal of comments submitted by manufacturers, EPA will make a final decision regarding the credit requests. EPA will make its decision available to the public by placing a decision document (or multiple decision documents) in the docket and on EPA's website at the same manufacturer-specific pages shown above. While the broad methodologies used by these manufacturers could potentially be used for other vehicles and by other manufacturers, the vehicle specific data needed to demonstrate the off-cycle emissions reductions would likely be different. In such cases, a new application would be required, including an opportunity for public comment.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[[EPA–HQ–OECA–2013–0298; FRL–9984–74–OEI]]

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; NESHAP for Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers Area Sources (Renewal)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), NESHAP for Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers Area Sources (EPA ICR No. 2253.04, OMB Control No. 2060–0668) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through October 31, 2018. 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.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before November 30, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OECA–2013–0298 online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), by email to [docket.oeca@epa.gov](mailto:docket.oeca@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

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:** Patrick Yellin, Monitoring, Assistance, and Media Programs Division, Office of Compliance, Mail Code 2227A, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564–2970; fax number: (202) 564–0050; email address: [yellin.patrick@epa.gov](mailto:yellin.patrick@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Supporting documents, which explain

<sup>4</sup> See 40 CFR 86.1869–12(d)(2).

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>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting 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. Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b). 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. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

**Abstract:** The NESHAP for Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers Area Sources (40 CFR part 63, subpart JJJJJ) affects new and existing industrial, commercial, and institutional boilers that are located at or part of area sources of hazardous air pollutants (HAP). The standard contains six subcategories: existing boilers designed to burn biomass, coal, or liquid fuels and new boilers designed to burn biomass, coal, or liquid fuels. The information collection activities include initial and annual stack tests, fuel analyses, operating parameter monitoring, biennial tune-ups, one-time energy audits, one-time and periodic reports, and maintenance of records. Varying levels of requirements apply to each subcategory. The information collection activities will enable EPA to determine initial and continuous compliance with emission standards for regulated pollutants, and ensure that

facilities conduct proper planning, operation, and unit maintenance. The provisions of Section 114(a)(1) of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 7414(a)(1) provide the broad authority for the reporting of compliance monitoring and enforcement information, along with Subpart Q-Reports in 40 CFR 51: Sections 51.324(a) and (b), and 51.327.

**Respondents:** Owners and operators of industrial, commercial, or institutional boilers.

**Respondent's obligation to respond:** Mandatory (40 CFR 63, Subpart JJJJJ).

**Estimated number of respondents:** 96,985 (total).

**Frequency of response:** Initially, biennially, semiannually and annually.

**Annual estimated burden:** 1,656,984 hours.

**Annual estimated cost:** \$280.4 million, includes \$125.5 million annualized capital or operation and maintenance (O&M) costs.

**Changes in Estimates:** There is a projected increase in burden due to continued growth rates for certain subcategories of equipment subject to the standard.

**Courtney Kerwin,**

*Director, Regulatory Support Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

**[EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0365; FRL-9984-73-ORD]**

### Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) Air and Energy Subcommittee Meeting—November 2018

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development (ORD), gives notice of a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) Air and Energy Subcommittee.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and will continue on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. All times noted are Eastern Time. The meeting may adjourn early if all business is finished. Attendees should register by November 6, 2018. Requests for the draft agenda or for making oral presentations at the

meeting will be accepted up to one business day before the meeting.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the EPA's RTP Main Campus Facility, 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0365, by one of the following methods:

- **www.regulations.gov:** Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- **Email:** Send comments by electronic mail (email) to: [ORD.Docket@epa.gov](mailto:ORD.Docket@epa.gov), Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0365.
- **Fax:** Fax comments to: (202) 566-0224, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0365.
- **Mail:** Send comments by mail to: Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) Air and Energy Subcommittee Docket, Mail Code: 2822T, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC, 20004, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0365.

- **Hand Delivery or Courier:** Deliver comments to: EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), Room 3334, William Jefferson Clinton West Building, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0365. **Note:** This is not a mailing address. 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-ORD-2015-0365. The 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 email. The [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) website is an "anonymous access" system, which means the EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to the EPA without going through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), your email 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, the EPA recommends that you include your