

authority and meet the definition of "state" under the SDWA.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Mandatory Section 1414(c)(3)(A) of SDWA.

*Estimated number of respondents:* 55 (total).

*Frequency of response:* Annually.

*Total estimated burden:* 4,400 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

*Total estimated cost:* \$530,000 (per year), includes \$0 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

*Changes in estimates:* There is no change of hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. This is due to two considerations. First, the regulations have not changed over the past three years and are not anticipated to change over the next three years. Second, the growth rate for this industry is very low or non-existent, so there is no significant change in the overall burden. Since there are no changes in the regulatory requirements and there is no significant industry growth, there are also no changes in the capital/startup or operation and maintenance (O&M) costs.

**Courtney Kerwin,**

*Director, Regulatory Support Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OMS-2020-0454; FRL-10025-79-OMS]

### Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Public Health Emergency Workplace Response System (Renewal)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR), Public Health Emergency Workplace Response System (EPA ICR Number 2676.02, OMB Control Number 2030-0049) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through June 30, 2021. Public comments were previously requested, via the **Federal Register**, on May 12, 2020 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. 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 August 30, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OMS-2020-0454, 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. 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.

Submit written comments and recommendations to OMB for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel Coogan, Office of Resource and Business Operations, Office of Mission Support, Environmental Protection Agency; telephone number: 202-564-1862; email address: [coogan.daniel@epa.gov](mailto:coogan.daniel@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:* Because of the substantial risk to life, safety, or health of the workforce and the public, EPA requests an emergency approval to collect the necessary information from Federal employees, detailees, interns, volunteers, grantee recipients and contractors that perform work in EPA facilities to implement an effective COVID-19 Contact Tracing program.

Each item of information requested is based on CDC and industry best practice for Contact Tracing. This information is necessary to identify individuals in the workforce who are COVID-19 positive and to notify and trace persons in the workforce who were in close contact with the COVID-19 positive employee. Including contractors, interns, grantees, and volunteers, enables EPA to capture the total workforce and take appropriate action.

The following information will be collected for COVID Contact Testing:

- Name;
- Work location;
- Contact information;
- Supervisor;
- Health status;
- Close contacts (as defined by CDC) when in the office; and
- Building and floors visited during period of possible transmission (as defined by CDC).

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* EPA's Contract Tracing Program participants, including detailees, interns, volunteers, grantee recipients and contractors.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Voluntary.

*Estimated number of respondents:* 250 (total).

*Frequency of response:* Once.

*Total estimated burden:* 63 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

*Total estimated cost:* \$0 (per year), which includes annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

*Changes in the Estimates:* There is no change in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB.

**Courtney Kerwin,**

*Director, Regulatory Support Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-10018-65-OMS]

### Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** Office of Mission Support (OMS), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of a new system of records.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA), Office of Mission Support (OMS) is giving notice that it proposes to create a new system of records pursuant to the provisions of

the Privacy Act of 1974. The Public Health Emergency Workplace Response System is being created to collect workplace safety and personnel information in response to a public health emergency such as a pandemic or epidemic.

**DATES:** Persons wishing to comment on this system of records notice must do so by July 30, 2021. New routine uses for this new system of records will be effective July 30, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OMS-2020-0454, by one of the following methods:

*Regulations.gov:* [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

*Email:* [oei.docket@epa.gov](mailto:oei.docket@epa.gov).

*Fax:* 202-566-1752.

*Mail:* OMS Docket, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code: 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

*Hand Delivery:* OMS Docket, EPA/DC, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, 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-OMS-2020-0454. The EPA 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 Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI) or other information for which disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CUI or otherwise protected through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). The [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) website is an "anonymous access" system for EPA, which means the EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. Each agency determines submission requirements within their own internal processes and standards. EPA has no requirement of personal information. 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 name and other contact information in the body of your

comment. If the EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, the 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 the EPA public docket, visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

*Docket:* All documents in the docket are listed in the [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CUI or other information for which disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in hard copy at the OMS Docket, EPA/DC, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460. The 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, and the telephone number for the OMS Docket is (202) 566-1752.

Out of an abundance of caution for members of the public and our staff, the EPA Docket Center and Reading Room are closed to the public, with limited exceptions, to reduce the risk of transmitting COVID-19. Our Docket Center staff will continue to provide remote customer service via email, phone, and webform. We encourage the public to submit comments via <https://www.regulations.gov> or email, as there may be a delay in processing mail and faxes. Hand deliveries and couriers may be received by scheduled appointment only. For further information on EPA Docket Center services and the current status, please visit us online at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jill Smink at [smink.jill@epa.gov](mailto:smink.jill@epa.gov), (202) 540-9196.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA is creating the Public Health Emergency Workplace Response System, EPA-89, to support the Agency's ability to provide a safe and healthy working environment in EPA locations (i.e., locations where the Agency is conducting official business) during a public health emergency (e.g., a Presidential declaration of a national public health emergency, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services declaration of a public health

emergency, or other circumstances constituting a public health emergency). EPA-89 will allow the Agency to develop and institute safety measures in response to public health emergency contaminants (e.g., a pathogen or chemical) as needed, which may include:

- Contact Tracing—identification, monitoring, and support of an affected individual (an individual in an EPA location with confirmed or probable exposure to a public health emergency contaminant), and identification and contact of a potentially affected individual (an individual who was in contact with an affected individual or exposed to a public health emergency contaminant while in an EPA location);
- Medical Screening—examination of individuals entering an EPA location for symptoms or other indications consistent with exposure to a public health emergency contaminant; and
- Workplace Access Tracking and Planning—planning and tracking of location and time of individuals in EPA locations for purposes of contact tracing, social distancing, and/or management of exposure to public health emergency contaminants within EPA locations.

**SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:**

Public Health Emergency Workplace Response System, EPA-89.

**SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:**

Unclassified.

**SYSTEM LOCATION:**

Records are maintained at the EPA Headquarters, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460, regional offices, field offices and laboratories.

**SYSTEM MANAGER(S):**

Willie J. Abney, Division Director of Desktop Support Services Division (DSSD), Office of Mission Support, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460, Email Address: [Abney.Willie@epa.gov](mailto:Abney.Willie@epa.gov), Phone Number: 202-566-1366.

**AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:**

5 U.S.C. 6329c, 5 U.S.C. 7902, 29 U.S.C. 654, 29 U.S.C. 668, 42 U.S.C. 247d, 44 U.S.C. 3101, 42 U.S.C. 12101, 5 CFR part 339, 29 CFR part 1602, Executive Order 12196, *Occupational safety and health programs for Federal employees* (Feb. 26, 1980), OMB Memorandum M-20-23 *Aligning Federal Agency Operations with the National Guidelines for Opening Up America Again* (Apr. 20, 2020).

**PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM:**

EPA proposes to establish a new system of records to manage the Agency's planning and response to a

public health emergency in EPA locations. EPA intends to collect information in the system to assist EPA with maintaining safe and healthy workplaces, to protect individuals in EPA locations from risks associated with a public health emergency, to plan and respond to workplace and personnel flexibilities needed during a public health emergency, to facilitate EPA's cooperation with public health authorities, and assist with contact tracing. Contact tracing is defined as the identification, monitoring, and support of an affected individual (an individual in an EPA location with confirmed or probable exposure to a public health emergency contaminant), and identification and contact of a potentially affected individual (an individual who was in contact with an affected individual or exposed to a public health emergency contaminant while in an EPA location).

**CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:**

Categories of individuals covered by this system include EPA employees. The system also covers individuals working in EPA facilities or on official EPA business, including: EPA contractors, non-EPA government personnel or contractors, interns, grantees, fellows, and volunteers. Other categories of individuals covered by the system include: Visitors to EPA facilities; and potentially affected individuals at EPA locations or otherwise present during official EPA business. The system also covers individuals listed as emergency contacts for such individuals.

**CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:**

Information collected in the system may include but is not limited to: Contact information of the individuals (which may include name, address; phone number; email address); EPA LAN ID; EPA employee number; EPA staff office (e.g., organization chart structure) and supervisor contact information (which may include name, phone number, and email address); emergency contact information (which may include name, phone number, and email address); and Agency facility or location access information that includes, but is not limited to, the dates when the affected individual visited the facility or location, the areas that they visited within the facility (e.g., entrance used, office and cubicle number, shared spaces used) or at the location, the duration of time spent in the facility or location, the individuals they came in contact with, and security systems monitoring data; and facility cleaning

data. The system also collects Sensitive Personal Identifiable Information (SPII) such as medical information, including but not limited to, dates and results of any: Expected or confirmed medical testing (e.g., temperature readings, viral or bacterial exposure testing, antibody testing) performed in relation to a public health emergency; symptoms consistent with a public health emergency; potential or actual exposure to a public health emergency contaminant; immunizations and vaccination information; or other medical history related to the treatment of a public health emergency contaminant. The system may also collect information, including but not limited to, on: Recent travel details (including dates, locations, carriers); EPA staff certifications relating to dependent care obligations or whether EPA staff are in a high-risk category regarding a public health emergency contaminant; name and contact information of EPA staff assigned to track and respond to an individual's case; date and time of information entry; contents of communications between assigned EPA staff and affected individuals; and case status.

**RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

The information in this system is collected from the individual, the individual's manager, and from the individual's emergency contact. When necessary, for non-EPA personnel, information may also be collected from the individual's employer, grantee organization, other federal agencies, or similar designated external points of contact. Information is also collected from security systems monitoring access to Agency facilities (such as video surveillance and key card logs), human resources systems, emergency notification systems, and federal, state, and local agencies assisting with the response to a public health emergency.

**ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:**

The following routine uses apply to this system because the use of the record is necessary for the efficient conduct of government operations. The routine uses are related to and compatible with the original purpose for which the information was collected. Routine uses *I* and *J* are required under OMB M-17-12.

*A. Disclosure for Law Enforcement Purposes.*

Information may be disclosed to the appropriate Federal, State, local, tribal, or foreign agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or

implementing a statute, rule, regulation, or order, if the information is relevant to a violation or potential violation of civil or criminal law or regulation within the jurisdiction of the receiving entity.

*B. Disclosure Incident to Requesting Information.*

Information may be disclosed to any source from which additional information is requested (to the extent necessary to identify the individual, inform the source of the purpose of the request, and to identify the type of information requested,) when necessary to obtain information relevant to an agency decision concerning retention of an employee or other personnel action (other than hiring,) retention of a security clearance, the letting of a contract, or the issuance or retention of a grant, or other benefit.

*C. Disclosure to Congressional Offices.*

Information may be disclosed to a congressional office from the record of an individual in response to an inquiry from the congressional office made at the request of the individual.

*D. Disclosure to Department of Justice.*

Information may be disclosed to the Department of Justice, or in a proceeding before a court, adjudicative body, or other administrative body before which the Agency is authorized to appear, when:

- The Agency, or any component thereof;
- Any employee of the Agency in his or her official capacity;
- Any employee of the Agency in his or her individual capacity where the Department of Justice or the Agency have agreed to represent the employee; or

The United States, if the Agency determines that litigation is likely to affect the Agency or any of its components, is a party to litigation or has an interest in such litigation, and the use of such records by the Department of Justice or the Agency is deemed by the Agency to be relevant and necessary to the litigation.

*E. Disclosure to the National Archives.*

Information may be disclosed to the National Archives and Records Administration in records management inspections.

*F. Disclosure to Contractors, Grantees, and Others.*

Information may be disclosed to contractors, grantees, consultants, or volunteers performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement, job, or other activity for the Agency and who have a need to have access to the information in the

performance of their duties or activities for the Agency.

*G. Disclosures for Administrative Claims, Complaints and Appeals.*

Information from this system of records may be disclosed to an authorized appeal grievance examiner, formal complaints examiner, equal employment opportunity investigator, arbitrator or other person properly engaged in investigation or settlement of an administrative grievance, complaint, claim, or appeal filed by an employee, but only to the extent that the information is relevant and necessary to the proceeding. Agencies that may obtain information under this routine use include, but are not limited to, the Office of Personnel Management, Office of Special Counsel, Merit Systems Protection Board, Federal Labor Relations Authority, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and Office of Government Ethics.

*H. Disclosure in Connection With Litigation.*

Information from this system of records may be disclosed in connection with litigation or settlement discussions regarding claims by or against the EPA, including public filing with a court, to the extent that disclosure of the information is relevant and necessary to the litigation or discussions and except where court orders are otherwise required under section (b)(11) of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(11).

*I. Disclosure to Persons or Entities in Response to an Actual or Suspected Breach of Personally Identifiable Information.*

To appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when (1) the Agency suspects or has confirmed that there has been a breach of the system of records, (2) the Agency has determined that as a result of the suspected or confirmed breach there is a risk of harm to individuals, the Agency (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security; and (3) the disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and persons is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with the Agency's efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed breach or to prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm.

*J. Disclosure To Assist Another Agency in Its Efforts To Respond to a Breach.*

To another Federal agency or Federal entity, when the Agency determines that information from this system of records is reasonably necessary to assist the recipient agency or entity in (1) responding to a suspected or confirmed breach or (2) preventing, minimizing, or

remediating the risk of harm to individuals, the recipient agency or entity (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security, resulting from a suspected or confirmed breach.

*K. Disclosure to a Public Health Authority.*

To Federal agencies such as the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), State and local health departments, and other public health or cooperating medical authorities in connection with program activities and related collaborative efforts to deal more effectively with exposures to communicable diseases, and to satisfy mandatory reporting requirements when applicable.

*L. Disclosure to Governmental Organization.*

To appropriate federal, state, local, tribal, or foreign governmental agencies or multilateral governmental organizations, to the extent permitted by law, and in consultation with legal counsel, for the purpose of protecting the vital interests of a data subject or other persons, including to assist such agencies or organizations in preventing exposure to or transmission of a communicable or quarantinable disease or to combat other significant public health threats.

*M. Disclosure to Emergency Contacts.*

To a potentially affected individual's emergency contact for purposes of locating the individual to communicate that they may have been exposed to a public health emergency contaminant in an EPA location or while otherwise present during official EPA business.

*N. Disclosure for Contact Tracing.*

To affected individuals and/or potentially affected individuals, and/or, when needed, to the (potentially) affected individual's employer, grantee organization, federal agency to whom the individual is contracted, or other similar designated external points of contact, information necessary for contact tracing. For example: Informing an individual that they were exposed to an affected individual or public health emergency contaminant in an EPA location or while otherwise present during EPA business, and the timing and location of the exposure; or contacting the employer of a potentially affected individual in the course of trying to contact the potentially affected individual themselves.

Contact tracing is defined as: Identification, monitoring, and support of an affected individual (an individual in an EPA location with confirmed or probable exposure to a public health emergency contaminant), and

identification and contact of a potentially affected individual (an individual who was in contact with an affected individual or exposed to a public health emergency contaminant while in an EPA location), the same definition as above in Supplemental Information.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:**

These records are maintained electronically on computer storage devices such as computer tapes and disks, or on paper. The computer storage devices are managed by the EPA, Office of Mission Support, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460. Backup files will be maintained at a disaster recovery site. Computer records are maintained in a secure password-protected environment. Access to computer records is limited to those who have a need to know. Permission level assignments will allow users access only to those functions for which they are authorized. All records are maintained in secure, access-controlled areas or buildings.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:**

Records may be retrieved by any data category in the system (e.g., name, office, supervisor, date of medical testing, assigned EPA staff). Records are only retrievable by authorized EPA staff (who are EPA employees and/or contractors) and retrieval methods are limited by permission levels as described below under *Technical Safeguards*.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:**

EPA will retain and dispose of these records in accordance with the National Archives and Records Administration General Records Schedule. EPA-89 follows the EPA Records Policy for retention and disposal, per schedule 1012 (Information and Technology Management) and schedule 1049 (Information Access and Protection Records). The schedule provides disposal authorization for electronic files and hard copy printouts created to monitor system usage, including log-in files, audit trail files, and system usage files. Records in EPA-89 will be deleted or destroyed when the Agency determines they are no longer needed for administrative, legal, audit, or other purposes.

**ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:**

Security controls used to protect PII and SPII in EPA-89 are commensurate with those required for an information

system rated moderate for confidentiality, integrity, and availability, as prescribed in NIST Special Publication, 800-53, "Recommended Security Controls for Federal Information Systems," Revision 4.

#### *Administrative Safeguards.*

EPA staff must complete annual agency training for Information Security and Privacy. EPA instructs staff to lock and secure their computers when unattended.

#### *Technical Safeguards.*

The system administrator, an EPA staff member, authorizes appropriate permission levels for authorized EPA staff. Permission level assignments allow authorized users to access only those system functions and records specific to their Agency work need. EPA also has technical security measures including restrictions on computer access to authorized individuals and required use of a personal identity verification (PIV) card and password.

#### *Physical Safeguards.*

EPA equipment used for EPA-89 is located in the Federal cloud space not connected to other federal systems. Only authorized employees have access to this information in the Federal space.

#### **RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:**

Individuals seeking access to information in this system of records about themselves are required to provide adequate identification (*e.g.*, driver's license, military identification card, employee badge or identification card). Additional identity verification procedures may be required, as warranted. Requests must meet the requirements of EPA regulations that implement the Privacy Act of 1974, at 40 CFR part 16.

#### **CONTESTING RECORDS PROCEDURES:**

Requests for correction or amendment must identify the record to be changed and the corrective action sought. Complete EPA Privacy Act procedures are described in EPA's Privacy Act regulations at 40 CFR part 16.

#### **NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:**

Any individual who wishes to know whether this system of records contains a record about themselves, and to obtain a copy of any such record(s), should make a written request to the Attn: Agency Privacy Officer, MC 2831T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460, [privacy@epa.gov](mailto:privacy@epa.gov).

#### **EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:**

None.

#### **HISTORY:**

None.

#### **Vaughn Noga,**

*Senior Agency Official for Privacy.*

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[EPA-HQ-OEI-2011-0096; FRL-10025-76-OMS]**

### **Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (Renewal)**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR), Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (EPA ICR Number 2002.08, OMB Control Number 2025-0003) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through August 31, 2021. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on January 15, 2021, 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. 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:** Additional comments may be submitted on or before July 30, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments to EPA, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OEI-2011-0096, online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), [oei.docket@epa.gov](mailto:oei.docket@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:**

Shirley Miller or Dipti Singh, Information Exchange Services Division, Office of Information Management, Office of Mission Support (2823T), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-566-2908 or 202-566-0739, respectively; email address: [miller.shirley@epa.gov](mailto:miller.shirley@epa.gov) or [singh.dipti@epa.gov](mailto:singh.dipti@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:** The scope of this ICR is the electronic reporting components of CROMERR, which is designed to: (i) Allow EPA to comply with the Government Paperwork Elimination Act of 1998; (ii) provide a uniform, technology-neutral framework for electronic reporting across all EPA programs; (iii) allow EPA programs to offer electronic reporting as they become ready for CROMERR; and (iv) provide states with a streamlined process—together with a uniform set of standards—for approval of their electronic reporting provisions for all their EPA-authorized programs. Responses to the collection of information are voluntary. In order to accommodate CBI, the information collected must be in accordance with the confidentiality regulations set forth in 40 CFR part 2, subpart B. Additionally, EPA will ensure that the information collection procedures comply with the Privacy Act of 1974 and the OMB Circular 108.

**Form Numbers:** None.

**Respondents/affected entities:** Entities that report electronically to EPA and state, tribal, or local government authorized programs; and state, tribal, and local government authorized programs implementing electronic reporting.

**Respondent's obligation to respond:** Voluntary, required to obtain or retain a benefit (Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (CROMERR) established to ensure compliance with the Government Paperwork Elimination Act (GPEA)).

**Estimated number of respondents:** 132,724 (total).