

Title: Pressed Wood Manufacturing Industry Survey.

ICR Numbers: EPA ICR No. 2328.01, OMB Control No. 2070-TBD.

ICR Status: This ICR is for a new information collection activity. 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 has initiated a proceeding to investigate whether and what type of regulatory or other action might be appropriate to control the levels of formaldehyde emitted from pressed wood products, as described in EPA's Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPR) for Formaldehyde Emissions from Pressed Wood Products, which published in the **Federal Register** on December 3, 2008 (73 FR 73620). As part of this investigation, EPA seeks to survey U.S. pressed wood manufacturers to collect information on the categories and volume of pressed wood manufactured; the types of resins used in the manufacturing process; the formaldehyde emissions levels from the pressed wood; recent or planned changes to reduce formaldehyde emissions and the resulting costs; and any issues that may affect the ability to reduce formaldehyde emissions. The survey will be sent to all U.S. pressed wood manufacturers identified by EPA (*i.e.*, it will be a census). This survey asks for readily obtainable information, so the plant does not have to generate new information (for example, by testing product emissions) to complete the survey.

When EPA sought comments on the ICR on December 24, 2008 (73 FR 79083), the Agency intended to use the same questionnaire for all pressed wood manufacturers. EPA has now modified the survey so that there are two different questionnaires. One questionnaire is for manufacturers of hardwood plywood, particleboard, and medium density fiberboard (which are the products subject to the CARB rule). The second questionnaire is for manufacturers of hardboard or structural composites (glued laminated timber, I-joists, oriented strandboard, softwood plywood, and structural composite

lumber) that are not subject to the CARB rule. These manufacturers are unlikely to have as much readily available information to use responding to the survey, this questionnaire asks for a more limited set of information.

EPA will request that all U.S. pressed wood manufacturers voluntarily complete the survey. If EPA does not achieve a sufficient survey response rate to accurately characterize the industry, EPA will consider whether to exercise the authority available to it under TSCA section 11(c), 15 U.S.C. 2610(c). TSCA section 11(c) provides EPA with the authority to issue subpoenas requiring the production of reports, papers, documents, answers to questions, and other information that the Administrator deems necessary. EPA could potentially use its TSCA section 11(c) authority to issue subpoenas requiring recipients (*i.e.*, non-respondents) to complete and return the survey.

Respondents may elect to claim certain submitted information as confidential business information (CBI) if there is a legitimate need to do so as described in EPA's regulations at 40 CFR part 2. These claims will be handled according to EPA procedures described in the regulation at 40 CFR part 2. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14, 15 U.S.C. 2613, and the regulation at 40 CFR part 2.

The information collected through the survey will allow EPA to predict a future baseline for the types of resins that will be used in pressed wood, and the levels of formaldehyde that will be emitted from them. EPA will also use this information to assess the incremental benefits and costs of potential actions at the national level on formaldehyde emissions from pressed wood products. This information is necessary to inform Agency decisionmaking about the need for and scope of regulatory or other actions to control the levels of formaldehyde emitted from pressed wood products. If this survey is not conducted, EPA will not have this data to establish the baseline for its actions nor insight into the adjustments that plants in the industry are planning to make. Therefore, this survey is necessary for the proper performance of Agency functions.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to range between 14 and 20 hours per response, depending upon the nature of the respondent. 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; 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.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are facilities engaged in the manufacturing of pressed wood products, including glued laminated timber, hardboard, medium density fiberboard, oriented strandboard, particleboard, hardwood and softwood plywood, prefabricated I-joists, and structural composite lumber (which includes laminated veneer lumber, laminated strand lumber, parallel strand lumber, and oriented strand lumber).

Frequency of Collection: Once.

Estimated average number of responses for each respondent: 1.

Estimated No. of Respondents: 343.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 5,804 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Costs: \$324,220.

Changes in Burden Estimates: This is a new ICR. This estimated burden for this new ICR is estimated to be 5,804 hours and is a program change.

Dated: November 16, 2009.

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Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed

to the Office of Federal Activities at 202-564-7146 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated July 17, 2009 (74 FR 34754).

Draft EISs

EIS No. 20090312, ERP No. D-COE-F39043-OH, Cleveland Harbor Dredged Material Management Plan, Operations and Maintenance, Cuyahoga County, OH.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about air quality impacts, and recommended implementation of mitigation measures. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20090315, ERP No. D-FTA-K40273-CA, Crenshaw Transit Corridor Project, Proposes to Improve Transit Services, Funding, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA), Los Angeles County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about the air quality analysis, and offered additional suggestions for water quality impact analysis and mitigation. Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20090382, ERP No. D-IBR-K39123-CA, Central Valley Project Water Supply Contracts Under Public Law 101-514 (Section 206), Proposed Water Service Contracts with the El Dorado County Water Agency, El Dorado County, CA.

Summary: EPA does not object to the proposed action. Rating LO.

Final EISs

EIS No. 20090340, ERP No. F-AFS-J65499-UT, Pockets Resource Management Project, Additional Information on Analysis and Disclosure on the Effect of the PA and Alternatives on Three Unroaded and Undeveloped Areas Identified on a 2005 Draft Map, Proposes to Salvage Dead and Dying Spruce/Fir, Regenerate Aspen, and Manage Travel, Escalante Ranger District, Dixie National Forest, Garfield County, UT.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

EIS No. 20090375, ERP No. F-AFS-L65575-OR, Deadlog Vegetation Management Project, To Implement Treatments that would Reduce the Risk of High Intensity, Stand Replacement Wildlife and the Risk of Heavy Tree Mortality from Insects and Disease, Deschutes National Forest Lands, Deschutes County, OR.

Summary: EPA does not object to the proposed action.

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Environmental Impacts Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-1399 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements.

Filed 11/09/2009 through 11/13/2009. Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 20090391, Final EIS, AFS, CA, Salt Timber Harvest and Fuel Hazard Reduction Project, Proposing Vegetation Management in the Salt Creek Watershed, South Fork Management Unit, Hayfork Ranger District, Shasta-Trinity National Forest, Trinity County, CA, Wait Period Ends: 12/21/2009, Contact: Sand Mack 406-375-2638.

EIS No. 20090392, Draft Supplement, FHW, HI, Saddle Road (HI-200) Improvements Project. Proposed Improvement from Mamalahoa Highway (HI-190) to Milepost 41, Hawaii County, HI, Comment Period Ends: 01/07/2010, Contact: Melissa Dickard 720-963-3691.

EIS No. 20090393, Final EIS, DOE, MN, Mesaba Energy Project, Proposes to Design, Construct and Operate a Coal-Based Integrated Gasification Cycle (IGCC) Electric Power Generating Facility, Located in the Taconite Tax Relief Area (TTRA), Itasca and St. Louis Counties, MN, Wait Period Ends: 12/21/2009, Contact: Richard A. Hargis, Jr 412-386-6065.

EIS No. 20090394, Draft EIS, USN, GU, Guam and Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Military Relocation, Proposed Relocating Marines from Okinawa, Visiting Aircraft Carrier Berthing, and Army Air and Missile Defense Task Force, Implementation, GU, Comment Period Ends: 01/04/2010, Contact: Kyle Fujimoto 808-472-1442.

EIS No. 20090395, Draft EIS, FTA, CO, North Metro Corridor Project, Proposed a Commuter Rail Transit from downtown Denver, Colorado, north to State Highway (SH) 7, in the Cities of Denver, Commerce City, Thornton, Northglenn, and Adams

County, CO, Comment Period Ends: 01/15/2010, Contact: David Beckhouse 720-963-3306.

EIS No. 20090396, Draft Supplement, CGD, AL, Bienville Offshore Energy Terminal (BOET) Deepwater Port License Application Amendment (Docket # USCG-2006-24644), Proposes to Construct and Operate a Liquefied Natural Gas Receiving and Regasification Facility, Outer Continental Shelf of the Gulf of Mexico, South of Fort Morgan, AL, Comment Period Ends: 01/04/2010, Contact: Lt. Hannah Kawamoto 202-372-1438.

EIS No. 20090397, Draft EIS, USA, 00, Programmatic—Louisiana Coastal Area (LCA) Beneficial Use of Dredged Material (BUDMAT) Program Study, To Establish the Structure and Management Architecture of the BUDMAT Program, Implementation, MS, TX and LA, Comment Period Ends: 01/04/2010, Contact: Elizabeth McCasland 504-862-2021.

Amended Notices.

EIS No. 20090324, Draft EIS, AFS, 00, Nebraska National Forests and Grassland Travel Management Project, Proposes to Designate Routes and Areas Open to Motorized Travel, Buffalo Gap National Grassland, Oglala National Grassland, Samuel R. McKelvie National Forest, and the Pine Ridge and Bessey Units of the Nebraska National Forest, Fall River, Custer, Pennington, Jackson Counties; SD and Sioux, Dawes, Cherry, Thomas and Blaine Counties, NE., Comment Period Ends: 12/24/2009, Contact: Mark Reichert 530-841-4422.

Revision to FR Published 09/25/2009: Extending Comment Period from 11/09/2009 to 12/24/2009.

EIS No. 20090366, Final EIS, FHW, CO, US-36 Corridor, Multi-Modal Transportation Improvements between I-25 in Adams County and Foothills Parkway/Table Mesa Drive in Boulder, Adams, Denver, Broomfield, Boulder and Jefferson Counties, CO, Wait Period Ends: 12/14/2009, Contact: Monica Pavlik 720-963-3012.

Revision to FR Notice Published 10/30/2009: Extending Comment Period from 11/30/2009 to 12/14/2009.

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