

Costs Allocated to Nuclear Suppliers.

Another purpose of the statute, to ensure that nuclear suppliers pay the contingent costs for a covered incident outside the United States that is not a Price-Anderson incident, is met primarily by subsections 934(e) (“Retrospective Risk Pooling Program”) and (f) (“Reporting”). These provisions: (1) Require participation in a retrospective risk pooling program to cover contingent costs for which nuclear suppliers would be responsible; and (2) authorize the Secretary to collect information necessary for developing and implementing the formula to calculate the deferred payments. For such an incident outside the United States, subsection 934(e) requires that nuclear suppliers that supply certain nuclear equipment and technology and transport of nuclear materials contribute to a pool of money used to reimburse the United States for its contribution to the international supplementary fund. In an arrangement known as retrospective pooling, the obligation to pay into the pool will be deferred until the United States’ is called upon to contribute with respect to an actual nuclear incident that has occurred. Article VII.1; 934(e)(1).

The following illustrates the combined operation of the Convention and section 934 in the case of a covered incident that is not a Price-Anderson incident. For a covered incident that takes place in the territory of another Contracting Party, the responsible operator (alone or in combination with available public funds) would provide the first tier of compensation pursuant to the national law of the Installation State. If nuclear damage exceeds the first tier, all Contracting Parties, including the Installation State, would contribute to the international supplementary fund according to the Article IV formula.

As a Contracting Party, the United States would contribute an amount determined by application of the formula in Article IV. Under section 934, the amount of the contribution required of the United States would be funded through payments of United States nuclear suppliers under the retrospective risk pooling program. As previously noted, the formula depends upon the installed capacity of the Contracting Parties at the time of the incident and the UN assessment rate assigned to each State. The exact amount owed by the United States would depend upon the number and generating capacity of the States that participate in the Convention at the time of a nuclear incident. For additional information, the IAEA Web site for the Office of Legal Affairs contains a calculator that can be used to run scenarios and estimate the contribution amount from various States. (<http://ola.iaea.org/CSCND/calculate.asp>).

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a nuclear incident covered by the PAA, at no additional cost to reactor operators. (The numbers used in this example were selected to facilitate understanding of how the mechanism operates, and do not reflect the actual numbers that would result from application of the PAA.)

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Energy Information Administration****Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

AGENCY: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission For OMB Review; Comment Request.

SUMMARY: The EIA has submitted the “Voluntary Reporting of Greenhouse Gases,” form EIA–1605 to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and a three-year extension under section 3507(h)(1) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13)(44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

DATES: Comments must be filed by August 26, 2010. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within that period, you should contact the OMB Desk Officer for DOE listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to OMB Desk Officer for DOE, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. To ensure receipt of the comments by the due date, submission by FAX (202–395–7285) or e-mail to Christine_J_Kymn@omb.eop.gov. is recommended. The mailing address is 725 17th St., NW., Washington, DC, 20503. The OMB Desk Officer may be telephoned at (202) 395–4638. (A copy of your comments should also be provided to EIA’s Statistics and Methods Group at the address below.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Alethea Jennings. To ensure receipt of the comments by the due date, submission by FAX (202–586–5271) or e-mail (alethea.jennings@eia.doe.gov) is also recommended. The mailing address is Statistics and Methods Group (EI–70), Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC, 20585–0670. Ms. Jennings may be contacted by telephone at (202) 586–5879.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This section contains the following information about the energy information collection submitted to OMB for review: (1) The collection numbers and title; (2) the sponsor (*i.e.*, the Department of Energy component); (3) the current OMB docket number (if applicable); (4) the type of request (*i.e.*, new, revision, extension or

reinstatement); (5) response obligation (*i.e.*, mandatory, voluntary, or required to obtain or retain benefits); (6) a description of the need for and proposed use of the information; (7) a categorical description of the likely respondents; (8) estimate number of respondents and (9) an estimate of the total annual reporting burden (*i.e.*, the estimated number of likely respondents times the proposed frequency of response per year times the average hours per response).

1. Forms EIA–1605, “Voluntary Reporting of Greenhouse Gases”.
2. Energy Information Administration.
3. OMB Number 1905–0194.
4. Three-year extension to an existing approved request.
5. Voluntary.
6. EIA–1605 form is designed to collect voluntarily reported data on greenhouse gas emissions, achieved reductions of these emissions, and carbon fixation. Data are used to establish a publicly available database. Respondents are participants in a domestic or foreign activity that either reduces greenhouse gas emissions or increases sequestration.
7. Individuals or households; business or other for-profit institutions; farms; Federal government; State, local or tribal government.
8. Estimate number of respondents.
9. 6000 hours.

Please refer to the supporting statement as well as the proposed forms and instructions for more information about the purpose, who must report, when to report, where to submit, the elements to be reported, detailed instructions, provisions for confidentiality, and uses (including possible nonstatistical uses) of the information. For instructions on obtaining materials, *see* the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Statutory Authority: Section 13(b) of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974, Public Law 93–275, codified at 15 U.S.C. 772(b).

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