

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

[Docket No. ED-2014-ICCD-0144]

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Quick Response Information System (QRIS) 2015-2018 System Clearance**

**AGENCY:** Institute of Education Sciences/ National Center for Education Statistics (IES), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 16, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting Docket ID number ED-2014-ICCD-0144 or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason, ED will temporarily accept comments at [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted; ED will ONLY accept comments during the comment period in this mailbox when the regulations.gov site is not available. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Mailstop L-OM-2-2E319, Room 2E103, Washington, DC 20202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Kashka Kubzdela 202-502-7411.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed

information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Quick Response Information System (QRIS) 2015-2018 System Clearance.

*OMB Control Number:* 1850-0733.

*Type of Review:* An extension of an existing information collection.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Government.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 104,004.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 31,704.

*Abstract:* The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) Quick Response Information System (QRIS) consists of the Fast Response Survey System (FRSS) and the Postsecondary Education Quick Information System (PEQIS). The QRIS currently conducts surveys under OMB generic clearance 1850-0733, which expires in May 2015. This submission requests approval to continue the current clearance conditions through 2018. FRSS primarily conducts surveys of the elementary/secondary sector (districts, schools) and public libraries. PEQIS conducts surveys of the postsecondary education sector. FRSS and PEQIS surveys are cleared under the QRIS generic clearance. The QRIS clearance is subject to the regular clearance process at OMB with a 60-day notice and a 30-day notice as part of the 120-day review period. Each individual FRSS or PEQIS survey is then subject to clearance process with an abbreviated clearance package, justifying the particular content of the survey, describing the sample design, the timeline for the survey activities, and the questionnaire. The review period for each individual survey is 45 days, including a 30-day **Federal Register** notice period. OMB will provide comments as soon after the end of the 30-day notice period as possible. This generic clearance request is for surveys of surveys of state education agencies, school districts,

schools, postsecondary institutions, and libraries.

Dated: October 14, 2014.

**Kate Mullan,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-9918-06-Region 3]

**Adequacy Status of the Submitted Maintenance Plans for the Delaware Portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-New Jersey 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standard Nonattainment Areas for Transportation Conformity Purposes**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of adequacy.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, EPA is notifying the public that EPA has found that the Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets (MVEBs) in the Delaware portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-New Jersey 1997 and 2006 fine particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) Maintenance Plans, submitted as a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision by the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), are adequate for transportation conformity purposes.

**DATE:** This is effective on November 3, 2014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Asrah Khadr, Environmental Engineer, Office of Air Program Planning (3AP30), United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103, (215) 814-2071; [khadr.asrah@epa.gov](mailto:khadr.asrah@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Today's notice is simply an announcement of a finding that EPA has already made. EPA Region III sent a letter to the DNREC on September 12, 2014 stating that EPA has found that the MVEBs in the Maintenance Plans for budget years 2017 and 2025, submitted on December 12, 2012, are adequate for transportation conformity purposes. As a result of EPA's finding, the State of Delaware must use the 2017 and 2025 MVEBs from the December 12, 2012 Maintenance Plans for future conformity determinations in the Delaware portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-New

Jersey 1997 PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS nonattainment area. Receipt of the submittal was announced on EPA's transportation conformity Web site. No

comments were received. The findings letter is available at EPA's conformity Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/stateresources/transconf/adequacy.htm>.

The adequate direct PM and nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) MVEBs are provided in Table 1.

TABLE 1—DELAWARE PORTION OF THE PHILADELPHIA-WILMINGTON-NEW JERSEY 1997 AND 2006 PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS MAINTENANCE PLANS MVEBs FOR DIRECT PM AND NO<sub>x</sub>

| Budget years | Motor vehicle emissions budget for direct PM-tons per year | Mobile vehicle emissions budget for NO <sub>x</sub> -tons per year |
|--------------|--|--|
| 2017 .....   | 199  | 6,273  |
| 2025 .....   | 199  | 6,273  |

Transportation conformity is required by section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act (CAA). EPA's conformity rule requires that transportation plans, transportation improvement programs, and projects conform to SIPs and establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they do. Conformity to a SIP means that transportation activities will not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's MVEBs are adequate for conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). EPA described the process for determining the adequacy of submitted SIP budgets in a July 1, 2004 preamble starting at 69 FR 40038 and used the information in these resources in making this adequacy determination. Delaware did not provide emission budgets for sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), volatile organic compounds (VOCs), or ammonia for the Delaware portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-New Jersey nonattainment area because it concluded that emissions of these precursors from motor vehicles are not significant contributors to the area's PM<sub>2.5</sub> air quality problem. The transportation conformity rule provision at 40 CFR 93.102(b)(2)(v) indicates that conformity does not apply for these precursors, due to the lack of MVEBs for these precursors and the State's conclusion that motor vehicle emissions of SO<sub>2</sub>, VOCs, and ammonia do not contribute significantly to the area's PM<sub>2.5</sub> nonattainment problem. This provision of the transportation conformity rule predates and was not disturbed by the January 4, 2013 decision in the litigation on the PM<sub>2.5</sub> implementation rule.<sup>1</sup> EPA has

preliminarily concluded that the State's decision to not include budgets for SO<sub>2</sub>, VOCs, and ammonia is consistent with the requirements of the transportation conformity rule. That decision does not affect EPA's adequacy finding for the submitted direct PM and NO<sub>x</sub> MVEBs for the Delaware portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-New Jersey nonattainment area.

Please note that an adequacy review is separate from EPA's SIP review process. The Maintenance Plans containing the 2017 and 2025 MVEBs were approved by EPA on August 5, 2014 (79 FR 45350). The MVEBs have been approved as part of the Delaware SIP, finding the MVEBs adequate makes them available for use for transportation conformity purposes.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.

Dated: October 1, 2014.

**William C. Early,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region III.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9918-07-Region 3]

### Clean Air Act Operating Permit Program; Petition To Object to Title V Permits for Mettiki Coal, LLC; Maryland

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

**ACTION:** Notice of final action.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA), the EPA Administrator signed an Order, dated September 26, 2014, granting a petition to object to a state operating permit issued by the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE). The Order responds to a February 5, 2013 petition.

the Court remanded to EPA the implementation rule for the PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS because it concluded that EPA must implement that NAAQS pursuant to the PM-specific implementation provisions of subpart 4 of Part D of Title I of the CAA, rather than solely under the general provisions of subpart 1.

The petition was submitted by the Environmental Integrity Project (EIP), as well as Benjamin Feldman, and Brenda and Shayne Lambert (Petitioners). This Order constitutes final action on that petition requesting that the Administrator object to the issuance of the proposed CAA title V permit.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the final Order, the petition, and all pertinent information relating thereto are on file at the following location: EPA, Region III, Air Protection Division (APD), 1650 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103. EPA requests that if at all possible, you contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to view copies of the final Order, petition, and other supporting information. You may view the hard copies Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., excluding Federal holidays. If you wish to examine these documents, you should make an appointment at least 24 hours before the visiting day. The final Order is also available electronically at the following Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/region07/air/titles/petitiondb/petitiondb.htm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Talley, Air Protection Division, EPA Region III, telephone (215) 814-2117, or by email at [talley.david@epa.gov](mailto:talley.david@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The CAA affords EPA a 45-day period to review and object to, as appropriate, operating permits proposed by state permitting authorities. Section 505(b)(2) of the CAA authorizes any person to petition the EPA Administrator within 60 days after the expiration of this review period to object to a state operating permit if EPA has not done so. Petitions must be based only on objections raised with reasonable specificity during the public comment period, unless the petitioner demonstrates that it was impracticable to raise these issues during the comment period or that the grounds for objection or other issue arose after the comment period.

<sup>1</sup> EPA issued conformity regulations to implement the 1997 PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS in July 2004 and May 2005 (69 FR 40004, July 1, 2004 and 70 FR 24280, May 6, 2005, respectively). Those actions were not part of the final rule recently remanded to EPA by the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia in *NRDC v. EPA*, No. 08-1250 (Jan. 4, 2013), in which