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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–ORD–2015–0659; FRL–9939–98–OEI]

Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for Citizen Science and Crowdsourcing Projects (New)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency has submitted an information collection request (ICR), “Generic Clearance for Citizen Science and Crowdsourcing Projects (New)” (EPA ICR No. 2521.01, OMB Control No. 2080–NEW) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). This is a request for approval of a new collection. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** (80 FR 59148) on October 1, 2015 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 January 15, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA–HQ–ORD–2015–0659 to (1) EPA online using 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, and (2) OMB via email to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov. Address comments to OMB Desk Officer for EPA.

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: Jay Benforado, IOAA–ORD, Mail Code 8101R, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202–564–3262; fax number: 202–565–2494; email address: benforado.jay@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 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: EPA relies on scientific information. Citizen science and crowdsourcing techniques will allow the Agency to collect qualitative and quantitative data that might help inform scientific research, assessments, or environmental screening; validate environmental models or tools; or enhance the quantity and quality of data collected across the country’s diverse communities and ecosystems to support the Agency’s mission. Information gathered under this generic clearance will be used by the Agency to support the activities listed above and might provide unprecedented avenues for conducting breakthrough research. Collections under this generic ICR will be from participants who actively seek to participate on their own initiative through an open and transparent process (the Agency does not select participants or require participation); the collections will be low-burden for participants; collections will be low-cost for both the participants and the Federal Government; and data will be available to support the scientific research (including assessments, environmental screening, tools, models, etc.) of the Agency, states, tribal or local entities where data collection occurs. EPA may, by virtue of collaborating with non-federal entities, sponsor the collection of this type of information in connection with citizen science projects. When applicable, all such collections will accord with Agency policies and regulations related to human subjects research and will follow the established approval paths through EPA’s Human Subjects Research Review Official.

Finally, personally identifiable information (PII) will only be collected when necessary and in accordance with applicable federal procedures and policies. If a new collection is not within the parameters of this generic ICR, the Agency will submit a separate ICR to OMB for approval.

Form Numbers: None.

Respondents/affected entities: Individuals.

Respondent’s obligation to respond: Voluntary.

Estimated number of respondents: 42,500 (total).

Frequency of response: The frequency of responses will range from once to on occasion.

Total estimated burden: 389,083 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b)

Total estimated cost: \$12,893,959 (per year), includes \$525,000 annualized capital for operation & maintenance costs.

Changes in the Estimates: This is a new information collection.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OW–2011–0465; FRL 9940–12–OEI]

Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Water Quality Standards Regulation (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency has submitted an information collection request (ICR), “Water Quality Standards Regulation (Renewal)” (EPA ICR No. 0988.12, OMB Control No. 2040–0049) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through December 31, 2015. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** (80 FR 37616 on July 1, 2015), 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. 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 January 15, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2011-0465, online using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), by email to ow-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:

Tangela Cooper, Office of Water, Office of Science and Technology, Standards and Health Protection Division, (4305T), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-566-0369; email address: cooper.tangela@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 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: Water quality standards are provisions of state, tribal, and federal law that consist of designated uses for waters of the United States, water quality criteria to protect the designated uses, and an antidegradation policy. Section 303(c) of the Clean Water Act requires states and authorized tribes to establish water quality standards, and to review and, if appropriate, revise their water quality standards once every three years. The Act also requires EPA to review and either approve or disapprove the new or revised standards, and to promulgate replacement federal standards if necessary. Section 118(c)(2) of the Act specifies additional water quality standards requirements for waters of the Great Lakes system.

The Water Quality Standards Regulation (40 CFR part 131 and portions of part 132) governs national implementation of the water quality standards program. The Regulation describes requirements and procedures for states and authorized tribes to develop, review, and revise their water quality standards, and EPA procedures for reviewing and approving the water quality standards. The regulation also establishes specific additional requirements for water quality standards and their implementation in the waters of the Great Lakes system, contained in the Water Quality Guidance for the Great Lakes System (40 CFR part 132).

Form Numbers: None.

Respondents/affected entities: States, territories, and Indian tribes with EPA-approved standards; NPDES-permitted facilities that discharge into the Great Lakes.

Respondent's obligation to respond: Mandatory or required to obtain or retain a benefit, pursuant to 40 CFR parts 131 and 132.

Estimated number of respondents: 2,787 (total).

Frequency of response: Generally annual.

Total estimated burden: 292,305 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

Total estimated cost: \$13,579,575 (per year). There are no annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

Changes in Estimates: There is an increase of 15,324 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. This increase reflects an increase in the estimated number of respondents to reflect EPA's approval of water quality standards for four additional tribes, and minor adjustments to reflect updated estimates of Great Lakes activities.

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EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

[Public Notice 2015-6020]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: Export-Import Bank of the United States.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review and comments request.

Form Title: EIB 15-03, Small Business Exporter Survey on US Content Requirement.

SUMMARY: The Export-Import Bank of the United States (Ex-Im Bank), as a part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to comment on the proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

Under Ex-Im Bank's Short and Medium-Term Insurance and Medium-Term Guarantee programs exported goods and services must meet established content requirement to be eligible for Ex-Im Bank financing and ensure that US-jobs benefit from Ex-Im bank programs. Ex-Im Bank relied upon the exporter's self-certification of content was never verified. The small business exporter survey seeks to obtain feedback from customers on US content requirement. This survey will help Ex-Im Bank better understand small business customers' perspectives on the bank's existence, monitoring, ability to perform compliance on potential areas of concern for exporters and how Ex-Im Bank's requirement impacts their small business. The objective is to identify possible service improvements and better understand small business owners' experiences working with Ex-Im Bank.

The survey can be reviewed at: <http://www.valuerecoveryholding.com/pending/surveyquestionnaire.html>

DATES: Comments should be received on or before February 16, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically on WWW.REGULATIONS.GOV or by mail to Nigussie Haile, Export Import Bank of the United States, 811 Vermont Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20571

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Titles and Form Number: EIB 15-03, Small Business Exporter Survey on US Content Requirement.

OMB Number: 3048-XXXX.

Type of Review: Regular.

Need and Use: The information requested enables Ex-Im Bank to identify possible service improvements to the benefit of small business exporters.

The number of respondents: 1,000.
Estimated time per respondents: 10 minutes.

The frequency of response: One time.
Annual hour burden: 166.7 total hrs.

Government Expenses

Reviewing time per response: 5 minutes.

Responses per year: 1,000.