

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2003-0004; FRL-9946-05]

Access to Confidential Business Information by Abt Associates, Inc.**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has authorized its contractor, Abt Associates of Bethesda, MD, to access information which has been submitted to EPA under all sections of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be Confidential Business Information (CBI).

DATES: Access to the confidential data occurred on April 27, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For technical information contact: Scott Sherlock, Environmental Assistance Division (7408M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-8257; email address: Sherlock.scott@epa.gov.

For general information contact: The TSCA-Hotline, ABVI-Goodwill, 422 South Clinton Ave., Rochester, NY 14620; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; email address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. General Information****A. Does this action apply to me?**

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to all who manufacture, process, or distribute industrial chemicals. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action.

B. How can I get copies of this document and other related information?

The docket for this action, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2003-0004, is available at <http://www.regulations.gov> or at the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics Docket (OPPT Docket), Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), West William Jefferson Clinton Bldg., Rm. 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. 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 OPPT Docket is (202) 566-0280. Please review the visitor instructions and additional information about the docket available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

II. What action is the Agency taking?

Under EPA contract number EP-W-16-009, contractor Abt Associates of 4800 Montgomery Lane, Bethesda, MD and 55 Wheeler Street, Cambridge, MA is assisting the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) in the development of economic assessments; surveys; and non-regulatory activities that will require access to data and other confidential business information. The contractor is also assisting in evaluating the potential risks of new chemical substances including microorganisms and evaluating existing chemicals for risk and for the need to develop data bearing on such risks.

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under EPA contract number EP-W-16-009, Abt Associates required access to CBI submitted to EPA under all section(s) of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract. Abt Associates personnel were given access to information submitted to EPA under all section(s) of TSCA. Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be CBI.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under all sections of TSCA that EPA has provided Abt Associates access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract is taking place at EPA Headquarters and Abt Associates' sites located in Bethesda, MD and Cambridge, MA, in accordance with EPA's *TSCA CBI Protection Manual*.

Access to TSCA data, including CBI, will continue until March 30, 2021. If the contract is extended, this access will also continue for the duration of the extended contract without further notice.

Abt Associates personnel have signed nondisclosure agreements and were briefed on appropriate security procedures before they were permitted access to TSCA CBI.

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 2601 *et seq.*

Dated: May 4, 2016.

Megan J. Carroll,

Acting Director, Information Management Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7146 or <http://www2.epa.gov/nepa>. Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) filed 05/02/2016 through 05/06/2016 pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

Notice

Section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act requires that EPA make public its comments on EISs issued by other Federal agencies. EPA's comment letters on EISs are available at: <https://cdxnodengn.epa.gov/cdx-enepa-public/action/eis/search>.

EIS No. 20160098, Final, USFWS, AZ, Pima County Multi-species Conservation Plan, review period ends: 06/13/2016, Contact: Michelle Shaughnessy 505-248-6654.

EIS No. 20160099, Final, USFS, OR, Granite Creek Watershed Mining Project, review period ends: 06/13/2016, Contact: Sophia Millar 541-263-1735.

EIS No. 20160100, Final, FTA, MN, Southwest Light Rail Transit, review period ends: 06/13/2016, Contact: Maya Sarna 202-366-5811.

EIS No. 20160101, Draft, USFS, CA, Littlerock Reservoir Sediment Removal Project, comment period ends: 06/30/2016, Contact: Lorraine Gerchas 626-574-5281.

EIS No. 20160102, Draft, FERC, PA, Atlantic Sunrise Project, comment period ends: 06/27/2016, Contact: Joanne Wachholder 202-502-8056.

EIS No. 20160103, Final, USA, KY, PROGRAMMATIC—U.S. Army Garrison Fort Campbell, Training Mission and Mission Support Activities, review period ends: 06/13/2016, Contact: Trudy Carr 270-798-2877.

EIS No. 20160104, Final, BLM, WY, Energy Gateway South Transmission Project, review period ends: 06/13/2016, Contact: Tamara Gertsch 307-775-6115. Final Supplement, NRC, NV, Supplement to the U.S. Department of Energy's Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada—Final Report, NUREG-2184, Contact: Christine Pineda 301-415-6789. Prepared in accordance with NWPA

§ 114 and 10 CFR 51.109, which describes the NRC's NEPA process for its review of the proposed geologic repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada.

Amended Notices

EIS No. 20150333, Draft, NMFS, USFWS, CA, Butte Regional Conservation Plan, comment period ends: 06/08/2016, Contact: Dan Cox 916-414-6593.

Revision to FR Notice Published 02/19/2016; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the U.S. National Marine Fisheries Service jointly are reopening the comment period to end 06/08/2016.

Dated: May 10, 2016.

Karin Leff,

Acting Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Title I of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency has submitted an information collection request (ICR), "Title I of the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act" (EPA ICR No. 0824.06, OMB Control No. 2040-0008) 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 reinstatement of the ICR (formerly known as "Ocean Dumping Regulations—reports and record keeping to obtain a permit, request designation, and report on permitted dumping activities"), which is currently expired. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** (81 FR 484) on January 6, 2016 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 June 13, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2015-0613, 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: David Redford, Oceans and Coastal Protection Division, Environmental Protection Agency, 4504T 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone 202-566-1288; email address: redford.david@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 www.epa.gov/dockets.

Abstract: Ocean dumping—the transportation of any material for the purpose of dumping in ocean waters—cannot occur unless a permit is issued under the Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act (MPRSA). EPA is responsible for issuing ocean dumping permits for all materials except dredged material. EPA collects or sponsors the collection of information for the purposes of permit issuance, reporting of emergency dumping to safety of life at sea, compliance with permit requirements, including specifically general permits for burial at sea and for transportation and disposal of vessels.

Form numbers: None.

Respondents/affected entities:

Respondents/affected entities may include any private person or entity, or State, local or foreign governments.

Respondent's obligation to respond:

Required to obtain or retain a benefit, specifically permit authorization and/or compliance with permits required under MPRSA sections 102 and 104, 33 U.S.C.

1402 & 1404, and implementing regulations at 40 CFR parts 220–229.

Estimated number of respondents: 2,767 respondents per year.

Frequency of response: The frequency of response varies for application and reporting requirements for different permits. Other than the general permit for transportation and disposal of vessels, response is required once for each permit application, whether a single notification to EPA or a permit application. Depending on the type of MPRSA permit, a permit application would be required prior to expiration if the permittee seeks re-issuance: general permit (once every seven years); special permit (once every three years), and research permit (once every 18 months).

Total estimated burden: 3,207 hours per year. Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

Total estimated cost: \$349,157, which includes \$195,857 for capital or operation & maintenance costs.

Changes in Estimates: EPA estimates an increase in the number of respondents from 21 to 2,767 with a corresponding decrease in total estimated burden from 27,004 to 3,207 hours as compared to the most recently approved ICR, which expired January 31, 1992. The estimated increase in the number of respondents is due to the significant increase in the number of entities using the burial at sea and vessel general permits, which were not widely used at the time of the earlier ICR. The estimated decrease in the total estimated burden is due to the implementation of the Ocean Dumping Ban Act of 1988, which led to the cessation of the dumping of sewage sludge and industrial wastes. The respondent burden for these special permits was high due the potentially significant impacts from dumping these wastes, and the data required from the respondents to ensure permit compliance.

Courtney Kerwin,

Acting Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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