

numbers for certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: In completing reviews of several soil and non-soil fumigants pursuant to section 4(g) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), the EPA determined that these fumigants are eligible for reregistration only if specific risk mitigation measures, as outlined in Reregistration Eligibility Decisions for the chemicals, are adopted and adequately implemented. This ICR addresses the paperwork activities that both users and registrants of these specific soil and non-soil fumigants must perform in order to comply with the required risk mitigation measures.

Without the complete suite of measures, these soil and non-soil fumigant chemicals do not meet the requirements to be eligible for registration or reregistration under FIFRA. The programs and activities represented in this ICR are the result of the Agency exercising the authority of section 3(c)(2)(B) or section 3(c)(5) of FIFRA, which authorizes EPA to require pesticide registrants to generate and submit data to the Agency, when such data are needed to maintain an existing registration of a pesticide. Due to the high benefits of these chemicals, there could be significant economic impact if these fumigant products are no longer available.

Burden statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.9 hours per response. Burden is defined in 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

The ICR, which is available in the docket along with other related materials, provides a detailed explanation of the collection activities and the burden estimate that is only briefly summarized here:

Respondents/affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this ICR are soil and non-soil fumigant users, specifically certified applicators and agriculture pesticide handlers (NAICS 111000—Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting); soil and non-soil fumigant registrants (NAICS 325300—Pesticide, Fertilizer, and Other Agricultural Chemical Manufacturing); and state and tribal lead agencies (NAICS 999200—State Government).

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 113,071.

Frequency of response: On occasion.

Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent: 5.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 1,693,353 hours.

Estimated total annual costs: \$60,356,426. This includes an estimated

burden cost of \$59,425,592 and an estimated cost of \$930,834 for capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

III. Are there changes in the estimates from the last approval?

There is an increase of 1,495,707 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB. For the soil fumigation activities, there was a change in burden hours from 197,646 to 198,262, which is primarily due to updating the estimated number of certified applicators and handlers potentially involved in soil fumigation activities. Additionally, EPA is now accounting for certain non-soil fumigant risk mitigation activities. For the non-soil fumigation activities, there is an increase in burden from 0 to 1,495,091 hours, which is related to the implementation of statutory responsibilities associated with the registration review of certain non-soil fumigant pesticides. The difference in burden hours between these two types of fumigation activities is driven by the annual estimate of applications. It is estimated that there are 12,651 soil fumigation applications and 263,200 non-soil fumigation applications per year. The total annual respondent burden for this ICR is estimated to be 1,693,352 burden hours for both soil and non-soil fumigations. These changes are the result of adjustments to the estimated number of respondents for the soil fumigant risk mitigation activities, and the result of a programmatic change to incorporate the information collection activities related to the non-soil fumigant risk mitigation activities.

IV. What is the next step in the process for this ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** document pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

Dated: September 13, 2018.

Charlotte Bertrand,

Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OECA–2014–0025; FRL–9982–51–OAR]

Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Asbestos (40 CFR Part 61, Subpart M) (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), “National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Asbestos (40 CFR part 61, subpart M) (Renewal)” (EPA ICR No. 0111.15, OMB Control No. 2060–0101) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). Before doing so, the EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a second notice requesting comment on the proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through March 31, 2019. The burden in this notice includes changes in reporting and recordkeeping resulting from a recent action on an alternative work practice and a planned change to allow electronic reporting for notifications. 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: Comments must be submitted on or before November 26, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OECA–2014–0025 online using <https://www.regulations.gov> (our preferred method), by email to: docket.oeca@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

The 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: Susan Fairchild, Sector Policies and Programs Division (Mail Code D243-02), Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711; telephone number: (919) 541-5167; fax number: (919) 541-4991; email address: Fairchild.susan@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 <https://www.regulations.gov> or in person at the EPA Docket Center, EPA WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about the EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, the EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it to: (i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. The EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, the EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

Abstract: For the Asbestos NESHAP ICR, owners and operators of affected facilities are required to comply with reporting and recordkeeping requirements for the general provisions of 40 CFR part 61, subpart M, as well as the applicable specific standards.

This includes submitting initial notifications, performance tests, and periodic reports and results, maintaining records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. These reports are used by the EPA to determine compliance with the standard.

Form Numbers: None.

Respondents/affected entities:

Owners/operators of demolition and renovation activities; asbestos waste disposal; asbestos milling, manufacturing, and fabricating facilities; use of asbestos on roadways; asbestos waste converting facilities; and use of asbestos insulation and sprayed-on materials.

Respondent's obligation to respond: Mandatory (40 CFR part 61, subpart M).

Estimated number of respondents: 9,575 (total).

Frequency of response: Initially, occasionally, quarterly, and semiannually.

Total estimated burden: 261,000 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

Total estimated cost: \$26,300,000, includes no annualized capital or operation and maintenance costs.

Changes in Estimates: The burden in this document includes changes in reporting and recordkeeping resulting from a recent action on an alternative work practice and a planned change to allow electronic reporting for notifications. There is a decrease of 30,778 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. This decrease is due to the movement from notifications submitted only through the U.S. mail to electronic notifications.

Dated: August 16, 2018.

David Cozzie,

Acting Director, Sector Policies and Programs Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9984-49-OW]

Information Session; Implementation of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency is announcing plans to hold an

information session on Thursday, October 11, 2018 in Seattle, Washington. The purpose of this session is to provide prospective borrowers with a better understanding of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program requirements, application process, and to hear from WIFIA's first borrower, King County, about their experience. More information sessions and webinars will be announced soon.

DATES: The session in Seattle, Washington will be held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (PT).

ADDRESSES: The session in Seattle, Washington will be held at 1200 6th Ave., Seattle, Washington 98101. *To Register:* Registration information for the information session is available at <https://www.epa.gov/wifia>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information about this notice, including registration information, contact Arielle Gerstein, EPA Headquarters, Office of Water, Office of Wastewater Management at tel.: 202-564-1868; or email: WIFIA@epa.gov.

Members of the public are invited to participate in the session as capacity allows.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under WIFIA, the EPA will provide loans and loan guarantees for water infrastructure of national or regional significance. WIFIA was signed into law on June 11, 2014 as Public Law 113-121. The EPA will provide an overview of the program's statutory and eligibility requirements, application and selection process, and creditworthiness assessment. The EPA will also explain the financial benefits of WIFIA credit assistance and provide high-level information about the benefits and flexibilities of closed loans. The intended audience is prospective borrowers including municipal entities, corporations, partnerships, and State Revolving Fund programs, as well as the private and non-governmental organizations that support prospective borrowers.

Authority: Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act, 33 U.S.C 3901 *et seq.*

Dated: September 18, 2018.

Andrew D. Sawyers,

Director, Office of Wastewater Management.

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