

industry, and in assessing energy markets.

**FERC Form No. 6-Q, Quarterly Financial Report of Oil Pipeline Companies**

The Commission uses the information collected in FERC Form No. 6-Q to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the statutory provisions of the ICA to include the authority to prescribe rules and regulations concerning accounts, records, and memoranda, as necessary or appropriate. Financial accounting and reporting provides necessary information concerning a company's past performance and its future prospects. Without reliable financial

statements prepared in accordance with the Commission's USofA and related regulations, it would be difficult for the Commission to accurately determine the costs that relate to a particular time period, service, or line of business.

The Commission uses data from FERC Form No. 6-Q to assist in: (1) Implementation of its financial audits and programs; (2) continuous review of the financial condition of regulated companies; (3) assessment of energy markets; (4) rate proceedings and economic analyses; and (5) research for use in litigation.

Financial information reported on the quarterly FERC Form No. 6-Q provides the Commission, as well as customers, investors and others, an important tool

to help identify emerging trends and issues affecting jurisdictional entities within the energy industry. It also provides timely disclosures of the impacts that new accounting standards, or changes in existing standards, have on jurisdictional entities, as well as the economic effects of significant transactions, events, and circumstances. The reporting of this information by jurisdictional entities assists the Commission in its analysis of profitability, efficiency, risk, and in its overall monitoring.

**FERC Form Nos. 6 and 6-Q**

*Estimates of Annual Burden<sup>5</sup> and Cost:<sup>6</sup>*

|                         | Number of respondents<br>(1) | Annual number of responses per respondent<br>(2) | Total number of responses<br>(1) * (2) = (3) | Average burden hours & cost (\$ per response)<br>(4) | Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (\$)<br>(3) * (4) = (5) | Cost per respondent (\$)<br>(5) ÷ (1) |
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*Comments:* Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimates of the burden and cost of the collections of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collections; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: April 9, 2019.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2019-0161; FRL-9991-80]

**FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel; Notice of Public Meetings**

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

<sup>5</sup> "Burden" is the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** There will be a 4-day, in-person public meeting of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP), augmented with additional experts to provide independent scientific advice to the EPA on proposed guidelines for Efficacy Testing of Topically Applied Pesticides Used Against Certain Ectoparasitic Pests on Pets. Preceding the in-person meeting, there will be a public half-day preparatory virtual meeting to consider the scope and clarity of the draft charge questions for this peer review.

**DATES:**

*Meeting:* The 4-day in-person public meeting will be held June 11 to 14, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m. (EDT). The date, time, and registration instructions for the preparatory virtual public meeting will be announced on the FIFRA SAP website (<http://www.epa.gov/sap>) by late-April. You may also subscribe to the following listserv for alerts when notices regarding this and other SAP-related activities are published: [https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USAEPAPPT/subscriber/new?topic\\_id=USAEPAPPT\\_101](https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USAEPAPPT/subscriber/new?topic_id=USAEPAPPT_101).

*Comments:* The Agency encourages written comments and requests for oral comments be submitted on or before

burden, refer to Title 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

<sup>6</sup> The FERC 2018 average salary plus benefits for one FERC full-time equivalent (FTE) is \$164,820/

May 17, 2019. However, written comments and requests to make oral comments may be submitted until the date of the in-person meeting, but anyone submitting such comments and requests after May 17, 2019, should contact the Designated Federal Official (DFO) listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. For additional instructions, see Unit I.C. and Unit I.D. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

*Special accommodations:* For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, and to request accommodation of a disability, please contact the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** at least 10 days prior to the meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

**ADDRESSES:**

*In-Person Meeting:* This public meeting will be held at the EPA Conference Center, Lobby Level, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA 22202. This meeting may also be viewed via webcast. Please refer to the FIFRA SAP website at <https://www.epa.gov/sap> for information on how to access the webcasts. Please note that this webcast is a supplementary public process provided only for convenience. If difficulties arise resulting in webcasting

year (or \$79.00/hour). Commission staff estimates that the industry's skill set (wages and benefits) for completing and filing FERC Form Nos. 6 and 6-Q are comparable to the Commission's skill set.

outages, the in-person meeting will continue as planned.

**Webcast.** The preparatory virtual meeting is open to the public and will be conducted via webcast using Adobe Connect and telephone. Registration is required to participate during the preparatory virtual meeting. Please refer to the FIFRA SAP website at <https://www.epa.gov/sap> for additional information including how to register.

**Requests to present oral comments and requests for special accommodations.** Submit such requests to the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

**Comments.** Submit your comments, identified as docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2019-0161, by one of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information that disclosure is restricted by statute.

- **Mail:** OPP Docket, Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), (28221T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001.

- **Hand Delivery:** To make special arrangements for hand-delivery or delivery of boxed information, please follow the instructions at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/contacts.html>. Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Suhair Shallal, DFO, Office of Science Coordination and Policy (7201M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: 202-564-2057; email address: [shallal.suhair@epa.gov](mailto:shallal.suhair@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 be of interest to persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances regulated under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Since other entities may also be interested in this guidance, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action.

#### B. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA?

1. **Submitting CBI.** Do not submit CBI information to EPA through the website [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or by email. If your comments contain any information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected, please contact the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** to obtain special instructions before submitting your comments.

2. **Tips for preparing your comments.** When preparing and submitting your comments, see Tips for Effective Comments at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/comments.html>.

#### C. How may I participate in the in-person meeting?

You may participate in the in-person meeting by following the instructions in this unit. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2019-0161 in the subject line on the first page of your request.

1. **Written comments.** The Agency encourages written comments be submitted, using the instructions in **ADDRESSES** and Unit I.B., on or before May 17, 2019, to provide FIFRA SAP the time necessary to consider and review the written comments. Written comments are accepted until the date of the meeting, but anyone submitting written comments after May 17, 2019, should contact the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Anyone submitting written comments at the meeting should bring 30 copies for distribution to the FIFRA SAP by the DFO.

2. **Oral comments.** The Agency encourages each individual or group wishing to make brief oral comments to the FIFRA SAP during the in-person meeting to submit their request to the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** on or before May 17, 2019, in order to be included on the meeting agenda. Requests to present oral comments will be accepted until the date of the in-person meeting and, to the extent that time permits, the Chair of the FIFRA SAP may permit the presentation of oral comments at the in-person meeting by interested persons who have not previously requested time. The request should identify the name of the individual making the presentation, the organization (if any) the individual will represent, and any requirements for audiovisual equipment. Oral comments before the FIFRA SAP during the in-person meeting are limited to approximately 5 minutes unless arrangements have been made prior to May 17, 2019. In addition, each speaker

should bring 30 copies of his or her comments and presentation for distribution to the FIFRA SAP during the meeting by the DFO.

3. **Seating at the meeting.** Seating at the meeting will be open and on a first-come basis.

#### D. How may I participate in the preparatory virtual meeting?

Registration for the preparatory virtual meeting is required. To participate by listening or making a comment during this meeting, please visit: <https://www.epa.gov/sap> to register. Registration online will be confirmed by email that will include the webcast meeting Adobe Connect link and audio teleconference information.

1. **Written comments.** Written comments for the preparatory virtual meeting should be submitted, using the instructions in **ADDRESSES** and Unit I.B., on or before May 17, 2019.

2. **Oral comments.** Registration is required to participate in the preparatory virtual meeting. Please visit the FIFRA SAP website at: <https://www.epa.gov/sap> to register online. Each individual or group wishing to make brief oral comments to the FIFRA SAP during the preparatory virtual meeting should submit their request when registering online or with the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** on or before noon May 17, 2019. Oral comments before the FIFRA SAP during the preparatory webcast are limited to approximately 5 minutes due to the time constraints of this webcast.

3. **Webcast.** The preparatory meeting will be webcast only. Please refer to the FIFRA SAP website at <https://www.epa.gov/sap> for information on how to access the webcast. Registration is required.

## II. Background

### A. Purpose of the FIFRA SAP

The FIFRA SAP serves as one of the primary scientific peer review mechanisms of EPA's Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSP) and is structured to provide independent scientific advice, information and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on pesticides and pesticide-related issues as to the impact of regulatory actions on human health and the environment. The FIFRA SAP is a federal advisory committee established in 1975 under FIFRA that operates in accordance with requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix). The FIFRA SAP is composed of a permanent panel consisting of seven members who are appointed by the EPA

Administrator from nominees provided by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Science Foundation (NSF). FIFRA established a Science Review Board (SRB) consisting of at least 60 scientists who are available to FIFRA SAP on an ad hoc basis to assist in reviews conducted by the FIFRA SAP. As a scientific peer review mechanism, the FIFRA SAP provides comments, evaluations, and recommendations to improve the effectiveness and quality of analyses made by Agency scientists. Members of FIFRA SAP are scientists who have sufficient professional qualifications, including training and experience, to provide expert advice and recommendation to the Agency.

### B. Public Meeting

EPA-registered pesticide products are an important part of pest management programs to control invertebrate pests of public health importance including fleas, ticks, mosquitoes, and biting flies that can vector diseases to pets and humans. The Agency has multiple guidelines intended to assist in the development of appropriate protocols to test product efficacy. EPA Product Performance Test Guideline OPPTS 810.3300 Treatments to Control Pests of Humans and Pets published in March 1998. To increase clarity and consistency in efficacy testing and to include current scientific standards, the Agency is revising this product performance guideline.

The proposed guideline applies to products in any topically applied formulation, such as a spray, spot-on, collar, shampoo, or dust, if intended to be directly applied to pets for a pesticidal purpose such as to kill, repel, or control ticks, fleas, mosquitoes, and biting flies. This guideline does not apply to those products exempt from FIFRA Registration under 40 CFR 152.25, products applied to humans or livestock, or product performance testing described in other Agency guidelines. In addition to guidance for testing efficacy against fleas, ticks, mosquitoes, and biting flies, the proposed guideline also includes testing methods for evaluating efficacy under simulated environmental conditions. The Agency is seeking advice and recommendations from the SAP on scientific issues associated with the proposed revised EPA guideline. The Agency believes the current draft guideline represents the state of the science with regard to efficacy testing for these products. EPA is committed to reducing the use of animals in testing (<https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0093-0003>).

However, at this time no reliable non-animal alternatives are available to avoid the use of animals for efficacy testing of fleas, ticks, mosquitoes and biting flies. As part of the SAP, EPA is soliciting comment from the panel on approaches that may, in the future, support the replacement or reduction of animal use in efficacy testing of ectoparasitic pests on pets.

### C. FIFRA SAP Documents and Meeting Minutes

The EPA's background paper, the supporting materials, and draft charge/questions to the FIFRA SAP will be available by mid-April 2019. In addition, a list of candidates under consideration as prospective ad hoc panelists for this meeting will be available for a 15-day public comment period by early to mid-April 2019. The Agency will provide additional background documents (e.g., the meeting agenda) as the materials become available. You may obtain electronic copies of these documents, and certain other related documents that might be available, at <http://www.regulations.gov> in docket EPA-HQ-OPP-2019-0161 and on the FIFRA SAP website at <https://www.epa.gov/sap>.

The FIFRA SAP will prepare meeting minutes summarizing its recommendations to the Agency approximately 90 days after the meeting. The meeting minutes will be posted on the FIFRA SAP website at <https://www.epa.gov/sap> or may be obtained from the OPP Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C Appendix 2 *et seq.*; 7 U.S.C. 136 *et seq.*; 21 U.S.C. 301 *et seq.*

Dated: April 9, 2019.

**Hayley Hughes,**

*Director, Office of Science Coordination and Policy.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

**[EPA-HQ-OW-2019-0143; FRL-9992-28-OW]**

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Treatment of Indian Tribes in a Similar Manner as States for Purposes of Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (Renewal)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "Treatment of Indian Tribes in a Similar Manner as States for Purposes of Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (Renewal)" (EPA ICR No. 2553.03 OMB Control No. 2040-0290), 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.*). Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through December 31, 2019. 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 June 14, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2019-0143; FRL-9992-28-OW, online using [www.regulations.gov](http://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.

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, or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carol Peterson, Watershed Assessment, Restoration, and Protection Division, Office of Wetlands, Oceans, and Watersheds (4503T), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 566-1304; fax number: (202) 566-1331; email address: [peterson.carol@epa.gov](mailto:peterson.carol@epa.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Supporting documents that 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](http://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>.

Pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act, EPA is soliciting comments and information to