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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this notice apply to me?

This notice will be of interest to entities regulated under 40 CFR part 60, subpart AAA—Standards of Performance for New Residential Wood Heaters; state, local, and tribal agencies; and the EPA Regional offices responsible for implementation and enforcement of regulations under 40 CFR part 60, subpart AAA—Standards of Performance for New Residential Wood Heaters.

B. How can I get copies of this information?

You may access copies of documents supporting our broadly applicable alternative test method withdrawal decision at Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2021–0951.

II. Background

The Administrator has the authority to approve the use of alternative test methods for compliance with requirements under 40 CFR parts 60, 61, and 63. This authority is found in 40 CFR 60.8(b)(3), 61.13(h)(1)(ii), and 63.7(e)(2)(ii). Additional and similar authority can be found in 40 CFR 59.104(f) and 65.158(a)(2). The criteria for approval and procedures for submission and review of broadly applicable alternative test methods are explained in a previous **Federal Register** notice published at 72 FR 4257 (January 30, 2007) and located at <https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods>. As explained in this notice, we will announce approvals for broadly applicable alternative test methods at <https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods> as they are issued and publish an annual notice that summarizes approvals for broadly applicable alternative test methods during the preceding year.

This notice relates to two broadly applicable alternative test methods that EPA approved in 2018 for Standards of Performance for New Residential Wood Heaters, 40 CFR part 60, subpart AAA. Specifically, ALT–125 allowed for the use of ASTM E3053–17 and ASTM E2515–11, both with the changes specified in the Agency’s approval letter dated February 28, 2018 (revised on August 22, 2018), and Canadian Standards Administration (CSA) Method CSA–B415.1–10, as an

alternative to test methods and procedures for certification of standards that are contained in 40 CFR 60.534. Similarly, as an alternative to 40 CFR 60.534, ALT–127 allowed the use of ASTM E3053–17 and ASTM E2515–11, both with the changes specified in the Agency’s approval letter dated April 13, 2018, and CSA Method CSA–B415.1–10. Further, alternatives 125 and 127 were included in the **Federal Register** notice published on March 4, 2019 (84 FR 7363).

III. Withdrawal of Approved Alternative Test Methods

As explained in our January 30, 2007 notice, we will revisit approvals of alternative test methods in response to written requests or objections indicating that a particular approved alternative test method either should not be broadly applicable or that its use is not appropriate or should be limited in some way. Any objection to a broadly applicable alternative test method, as well as the resolution of that objection, will be announced at <https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods> and in a subsequent **Federal Register** notice.

On April 28, 2021, the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (Alaska) requested that the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) withdraw previously approved broadly applicable alternative test methods ALT–125 and ALT–127, which, as earlier explained, are used for compliance test purposes to certify residential wood heaters pursuant to 40 CFR part 60, subpart AAA. According to Alaska, ASTM E3053–17 provides too much flexibility such that a test lab, while conducting compliance testing, may “explore” avenues within the test method in order to find approaches for passing any appliance, regardless of design, ultimately resulting in a certification program where a manufacturer simply pays the lab to provide a passing test, rather than objectively measure the actual emissions from their appliance. Further, on May 21, 2021, nine State Attorneys General requested OAQPS to withdraw both ALT–125 and ALT–127 citing a recent Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management (NESCAUM) report that found serious concerns with EPA’s implementation of subpart AAA and QQQQ certification programs. In addition, in July, August, and September of 2021, Alaska submitted seven test reports to OAQPS in support of their withdrawal request. For more detailed information, please refer to the supporting documents

available at Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2021–0951.

After a thorough review and evaluation of these requests as well as data from Alaska’s test reports, on December 20, 2021, OAQPS decided to formally withdraw ALT–125 and ALT–127 as broadly applicable alternative test methods for Standards of Performance for New Residential Wood Heaters, 40 CFR part 60, subpart AAA. This **Federal Register** notice formalizes our withdrawal of Alternatives 125 and 127 as broadly applicable alternative test methods and announces the removal of both test methods from the Broadly Applicable Approved Alternative Test Methods web page.

The withdrawal of the broadly applicable alternative test methods ALT–125 and ALT–127 will become effective February 23, 2022. Certification tests completed prior to the effective date using ALT–125 or ALT–127 for residential wood heater applications pursuant to 40 CFR part 60, subpart AAA will be considered valid if otherwise meeting all certification requirements of the subpart (40 CFR 60.531).

Certification tests using ALT–125 or ALT–127 completed after the effective date for withdrawal of these alternative test methods will not be valid certification tests pursuant to 40 CFR 60.531 and 60.534(a)(2).

Renewal or recertification of a wood heater model line that was previously certified using ALT–125 or ALT–127 will not be granted a waiver from certification testing pursuant to 40 CFR 60.533(i)(2) or 60.533(k)(1) and must be retested using a valid test method at the time of application for renewal or recertification.

Dated: January 19, 2022.

Richard A. Wayland,

Director, Air Quality Assessment Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OPPT–2017–0318; FRL–9098–01–OCSPP]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Renewal of an Existing Collection and Request for Comment; Request for Contractor Access to Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Confidential Business Information (CBI)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), this document announces the availability of and solicits public comment on the following Information Collection Request (ICR) that EPA is planning to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): “Request for Contractor Access to TSCA Confidential Business Information (CBI),” identified by EPA ICR No. 1250.12 and OMB Control No. 2070-0075. This ICR represents the renewal of an existing ICR that is currently approved through October 31, 2022. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval under the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection that is summarized in this document. The ICR and accompanying material are available in the docket for public review and comment.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 25, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2017-0318, through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <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 whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Due to the public health concerns related to COVID-19, the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) and Reading Room is open to visitors by appointment only. For the latest status information on EPA/DC services and docket access, visit <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katherine Sleasman, Office of Program Support, Mission Support Division (7101M), Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 566-1204; email address: sleasman.katherine@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. What information is EPA particularly interested in?

Pursuant to PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), EPA

specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

1. 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.

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency’s estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

4. 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. In particular, EPA is requesting comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25) on examples of specific additional efforts that EPA could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very small businesses affected by this collection.

II. What information collection activity or ICR does this action apply to?

Title: Request for Contractor Access to TSCA Confidential Business Information (CBI).

EPA ICR No.: 1250.12.

OMB Control No.: 2070-0075.

ICR status: This ICR is currently approved through October 31, 2022. Under the PRA, 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. The OMB control numbers for EPA’s regulations in title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers for certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: EPA procures contract support to facilitate the performance of certain duties that may require contractors to handle TSCA CBI. Each contractor employee who will use TSCA CBI in the performance of his or her duties must be authorized for access to TSCA CBI through a multi-step process. The TSCA CBI Protection Manual provides Federal and contractor employees with guidelines and

operating procedures for handling TSCA CBI while performing their official duties, as well as the procedures to obtain authorization for access to TSCA CBI.

Specifically, for purposes of this information collection, contractor personnel must submit to EPA the form entitled “TSCA CBI Access Request, Agreement, and Approval” (EPA Form 7740-6). EPA uses Form 7740-6 to collect information about contractor personnel so that EPA can evaluate their suitability for access to TSCA CBI. EPA stores the information on the OPPT Chemical Information System.

Burden statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.6 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: The following North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist in determining whether this action might apply to certain entities: NAICS codes 514 (Information Services) and 561 (Administrative and Support Services).

Respondent’s obligation to respond: Mandatory; 15 U.S.C. 2614.

Frequency of response: On occasion.
Total estimated number of potential respondents: 23.

Total estimated average number of responses for each respondent: 214.

Total estimated annual burden hours: 340.8 hours.

Total estimated annual costs: \$19,740. This includes an estimated burden cost of \$19,740 and an estimated cost of \$0 for capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

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

There is no increase in number of hours in the estimated total annual burden and costs compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB. This increase in estimates results from an increase in the hourly wages and a change in the methodology to calculate loaded wages (wages plus fringe benefits and overhead). This change is an adjustment.

In addition, OMB has requested that EPA move towards using the 18-question format for ICR Supporting Statements used by other federal agencies and departments and is based on the submission instructions

established by OMB in 1995, replacing the alternate format developed by EPA and OMB prior to 1995. The Agency does not expect this change in format to result in substantive changes to the information collection activities or related estimated burden and costs.

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)

Dated: January 19, 2022.

Michal Freedhoff,

Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060-0466; FR ID 68396]

Information Collection Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents,

including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees. The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

DATES: Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before March 25, 2022. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email to *PRA@fcc.gov* and to *Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0466.

Title: Sections 74.783, 73.1201 and

74.1283, Station Identification.

Form Number: Not applicable.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities; Not for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents and

Responses: 28,323 respondents; 28,323 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 0.166-1 hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement; Recordkeeping requirement; Third party disclosure requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or maintain benefits. The statutory authority for this collection of information is contained in 47 U.S.C. 151, 152, 154(i), 303, 307 and 308.

Total Annual Burden: 26,715 hours.

Total Annual Costs: None.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirements for this collection are as following: 47 CFR 73.1201(a) requires television broadcast licensees to make broadcast station identification announcements at the beginning and ending of each time of operation, and hourly, as close to the hour as feasible, at a natural break in program offerings. Television and Class A television broadcast stations may make these announcements visually or aurally.

47 CFR 74.783(b) requires licensees of television translators whose station identification is made by the television station whose signals are being rebroadcast by the translator, must secure agreement with this television station licensee to keep in its file, and available to FCC personnel, the translator's call letters and location, giving the name, address and telephone number of the licensee or his service representative to be contacted in the event of malfunction of the translator. It shall be the responsibility of the translator licensee to furnish current information to the television station licensee for this purpose.

47 CFR 73.1201(b)(1) requires that the official station identification consist of the station's call letters immediately followed by the community or communities specified in its license as the station's location. The name of the licensee, the station's frequency, the station's channel number, as stated on the station's license, and/or the station's network affiliation may be inserted between the call letters and station location. Digital Television (DTV) stations, or DAB Stations, choosing to include the station's channel number in the station identification must use the station's major channel number and may distinguish multicast program streams. For example, a DTV station with major channel number 26 may use 26.1 to identify a High Definition Television (HDTV) program service and 26.2 to identify a Standard Definition Television (SDTV) program service. A radio station operating in DAB hybrid mode or extended hybrid mode shall identify its digital signal, including any free multicast audio programming streams, in a manner that appropriately alerts its audience to the fact that it is listening to a digital audio broadcast. No other insertion between the station's call letters and the community or communities specified in its license is permissible. A station may include in its official station identification the name of any additional community or communities, but the community to which the station is licensed must be named first.

47 CFR 74.783(e) permits low power TV permittees or licensees to request to be assigned four-letter call signs in lieu of the five-character alpha-numeric call signs.

47 CFR 74.1283(c)(1) requires a FM translator station licensee whose identification is made by the primary station must arrange for the primary station licensee to furnish the translator's call letters and location (name, address, and telephone number of the licensee or service representative)