

*Place:* Lawrence Public Library,  
Sargent Auditorium.

*Address:* 51 Lawrence Street,  
Lawrence, MA 01841.

*Phone:* (978) 620-3600.

SD1, which outlines the subject areas to be addressed in the environmental document, was mailed to the individuals and entities on the Commission's mailing list and Essex's distribution list. Copies of SD1 may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link. Follow the directions for accessing information in paragraph n. Based on all oral and written comments, a Scoping Document 2 (SD2) may be issued. SD2 may include a revised process plan and schedule, as well as a list of issues, identified through the scoping process.

### Environmental Site Review

The applicant and Commission staff will conduct an environmental site review of the project. All interested individuals, agencies, tribes, and NGOs are invited to attend. Please RSVP via email to [Mkinney@patriothydro.com](mailto:Mkinney@patriothydro.com) or notify Miley Kinney at (603) 732-8162 on or before September 5, 2023 if you plan to attend the environmental site review. The time and location of the environmental site review is as follows:

#### Lawrence Project

*Date:* Wednesday, September 13, 2023.

*Time:* 9:00 a.m. (EDT).

#### *Place:*

Lawrence Gateway parking lot.

*Address:* 70 General Street, Lawrence, MA 01840.

Participants will meet at the Lawrence Gateway parking lot and depart to the Lawrence at 9:15 a.m. (EDT). Essex will provide transportation to the project facilities. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to the Lawrence Gateway parking lot.

All persons attending the environmental site review must wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes or boots. The applicant will provide hard hats to attendees for entry into low-overhead areas, if needed; however, participants who have their own hardhats should bring them.

### Meeting Objectives

At the scoping meetings, Commission staff will: (1) initiate scoping of the issues; (2) review and discuss existing conditions; (3) review and discuss existing information and identify preliminary information and study needs; (4) review and discuss the process plan and schedule for pre-filing activity that incorporates the time frames provided for in Part 5 of the

Commission's regulations and, to the extent possible, maximizes coordination of federal, state, and tribal permitting and certification processes; and (5) discuss the potential of any federal or state agency or Indian tribe to act as a cooperating agency for development of an environmental document.

Meeting participants should come prepared to discuss their issues and/or concerns. Please review the PAD in preparation for the scoping meetings. Directions on how to obtain a copy of the PAD and SD1 are included in item n of this document.

### Meeting Procedures

Commission staff are moderating the scoping meetings. The meetings are recorded by an independent stenographer and become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding on the project. Individuals, NGOs, Indian Tribes, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meeting and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the NEPA document.

Dated: August 15, 2023.

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

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0659; FRL-11250-01-ORD]

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for Participatory Science and Crowdsourcing Projects (Renewal)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "Generic Clearance for Participatory Science and Crowdsourcing Projects (Renewal)" (EPA ICR No. 2521.39, OMB Control No. 2080-0083) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). 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 January 31, 2024. 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 October 20, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2015-0659 referencing the Docket ID numbers provided for each item in the text, online using <https://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 (CBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Heather Drumm, ORD-OSAP, (8104R), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-564-8239; email address: [Drumm.Heather@epa.gov](mailto:Drumm.Heather@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 <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 PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information 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. 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, 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:** EPA relies on scientific information to achieve its' mission of protecting human health and the environment. Participatory science and crowdsourcing techniques allow the Agency to collect qualitative and quantitative data that could 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 in support of the Agency's mission. Information gathered under this generic ICR may be used by the Agency to support the activities listed above. Collections under this generic ICR will be: (i) 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); (ii) low-burden for participants; (iii) low-cost for both the participants and the Federal Government; and (iv) 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 nonfederal entities, sponsor the collection of this type of information in connection with participatory science projects. When applicable, all such collections will comply 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 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 information collection request to OMB for approval.

**Form Numbers:** None.

**Respondents/affected entities:** Participants/respondents will be individuals, not specific entities.

**Respondent's obligation to respond:** Voluntary.

**Estimated number of respondents:** 17,500 (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:** \$16,209,198 (per year), includes \$525,000 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

**Changes in Estimates:** The dollar figures have been updated to reflect current wages.

**Mary A. Ross,**

*Director, Office of Science Advisor, Policy and Engagement, Office of Research and Development.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2023-0061; FRL-10581-07-OCSP]

### Certain New Chemicals; Receipt and Status Information for July 2023

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is required under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), as amended by the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act, to make information publicly available and to publish information in the **Federal Register** pertaining to submissions under TSCA Section 5, including notice of receipt of a Premanufacture notice (PMN), Significant New Use Notice (SNUN) or Microbial Commercial Activity Notice (MCAN), including an amended notice or test information; an exemption application (Biotech exemption); an application for a test marketing exemption (TME), both pending and/or concluded; a notice of commencement (NOC) of manufacture (including import) for new chemical substances; and a periodic status report on new chemical substances that are currently under EPA review or have recently concluded review. This document covers the period from 7/1/2023 to 7/31/2023.

**DATES:** Comments identified by the specific case number provided in this document must be received on or before September 20, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2023-0061, through the *Federal eRulemaking Portal* at <https://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 and visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** *For technical information contact:* Jim Rahai, Project Management and Operations Division (MC 7407M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-8593; email address: [rahai.jim@epa.gov](mailto:rahai.jim@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](mailto:TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov).

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Executive Summary

#### A. What action is the Agency taking?

This document provides the receipt and status reports for the period from 7/01/2023 to 7/31/2023. The Agency is providing notice of receipt of PMNs, SNUNs, and MCANs (including amended notices and test information); an exemption application under 40 CFR part 725 (Biotech exemption); TMEs, both pending and/or concluded; NOCs to manufacture a new chemical substance; and a periodic status report on new chemical substances that are currently under EPA review or have recently concluded review.

EPA is also providing information on its website about cases reviewed under the amended TSCA, including the section 5 PMN/SNUN/MCAN and exemption notices received, the date of receipt, the final EPA determination on the notice, and the effective date of EPA's determination for PMN/SNUN/MCAN notices on its website at: <https://www.epa.gov/reviewing-new-chemicals-under-toxic-substances-control-act-tsca/status-pre-manufacture-notices>. This information is updated on a weekly basis.

#### B. What is the Agency's authority for taking this action?

Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), 15 U.S.C. 2601 *et seq.*, a chemical substance may be either an "existing" chemical substance or a "new" chemical substance. Any chemical substance that is not on EPA's TSCA Inventory of Chemical Substances