

*Description:* Baseline eTariff Filing: Application for MBR Authorization and Request for Waivers to be effective 3/18/2024.

*Filed Date:* 3/6/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240306–5156.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 3/27/24.

*Docket Numbers:* ER24–1422–000.

*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Amendment to AE2–226 ISA No. 6736 (amend\_mcd) to be effective 5/7/2024.

*Filed Date:* 3/7/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240307–5067.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 3/28/24.

*Docket Numbers:* ER24–1423–000.

*Applicants:* Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: 2024–03–07 MEAN Integration Revisions to Schedules 7, 8, and 9 to be effective 6/1/2024.

*Filed Date:* 3/7/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240307–5133.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 3/28/24.

*Docket Numbers:* ER24–1424–000.

*Applicants:* MidAmerican Energy Company.

*Description:* § 205(d) Rate Filing: Joint Pricing Zone Revenue Allocation Agreement (4th Rev) to be effective 6/1/2024.

*Filed Date:* 3/7/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240307–5167.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 3/28/24.

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information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502–6595 or [OPP@ferc.gov](mailto:OPP@ferc.gov).

Dated: March 7, 2024.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OECA–2020–0020; FRL–11769–01–OECA]

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Annual Public Water Systems Compliance Report

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), “Annual Public Water System Compliance Report” (EPA ICR No. 1812.08, OMB Control No. 2020–0020) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, the 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 November 30, 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 May 13, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OECA–2020–0020 online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), by email to [docket.oeca@epa.gov](mailto: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

or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through November 30, 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.

This notice allows 60 days for public comments. 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](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 Paper Reduction Act, 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 forms of information technology. 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:* Section 1414(c)(3)(A) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) provides that each state (a term that includes states, commonwealths, tribes and territories) that has primary enforcement authority under the SDWA shall prepare, make readily available to

the public, and submit to the Administrator of EPA, an annual report of violations of national primary drinking water regulations in the state. These Annual State Public Water System Compliance Reports are to include violations of maximum contaminant levels, treatment requirements, variances and exemptions, and monitoring requirements determined to be significant by the Administrator after consultation with the states. To minimize a state's burden in preparing its annual statutorily required report, the EPA issued guidance that explains what section 1414(c)(3)(A) requires and provides model language and reporting templates. The EPA also annually makes available to the states a computer query that generates for each state (from information states are already separately required to submit to EPA's national database on a quarterly basis) the required violations information in a table consistent with the reporting template in the EPA's guidance.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* Entities that are potentially affected by this action are states that have primacy enforcement authority and meet the definition of "state" under the SDWA.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Mandatory under section 1414 (c)(3)(A) of SDWA.

*Estimated number of respondents:* 55 (total).

*Frequency of response:* Annually.

*Total estimated burden:* 4,400 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

*Total estimated cost:* \$730,000 (per year), includes \$0 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

*Changes in Estimates:* There is no change in burden from the most recently approved ICR as currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved Burdens. This is due to two considerations. First, the regulations have not changed over the past three years and are not anticipated to change over the next three years. Second, the growth rate for this industry is very low or non-existent, so there is no significant change in the overall burden. Since there are no changes in the regulatory requirements and there is no significant industry growth, there are also no changes in the capital/startup or operation and maintenance (O&M) costs. There is a slight increase in costs, which is wholly due to the use of updated labor rates. This ICR uses labor rates from the most recent Bureau of

Labor Statistics report (December 2023) to calculate respondent burden costs.

**Loren Denton,**

*Director, Monitoring Assistance and Media Programs Division, Office of Compliance.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[EPA-HQ-OGC-2024-0112; FRL-11804-01-OGC]**

**Proposed Settlement Agreement, Petition for Writ of Mandamus**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed settlement agreement; request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is given of a proposed settlement agreement to address a petition for writ of mandamus filed by the Ecology Center, the Center for Environmental Health, United Parents Against Lead & Other Environmental Hazards, and the Sierra Club (collectively, "Petitioners") in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit: *Ecology Center, et al. v. U.S. EPA*, No. 23-70158 (9th Cir.). Petitioners filed a petition for writ of mandamus on August 22, 2023, requesting that the Ninth Circuit direct the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to "conclude a rulemaking under [TSCA] regulating lead wheel weights within six months." The mandamus petition alleges that EPA's 14-year delay violated the APA's requirement that a Federal agency "conclude a matter presented to it . . . within a reasonable time," and that the court has the authority to "compel agency action unlawfully withheld or unreasonably delayed." EPA is providing notice of this proposed settlement agreement, which would resolve all claims in the case by establishing deadlines for EPA to take final action.

**DATES:** Written comments on the proposed settlement agreement must be received by April 12, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OGC-2024-0112, online at <https://www.regulations.gov> (EPA's preferred method). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the Docket ID number for this action. Comments received may be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on sending

comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the "Additional Information about Commenting on the Proposed Settlement Agreement" heading under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Obtaining a Copy of the Proposed Settlement Agreement**

The official public docket for this action (Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OGC-2024-0112) contains a copy of the proposed settlement agreement. The official public docket is available for public viewing at the Office of Environmental Information (OEI) Docket in the EPA Docket Center, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center 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 OEI Docket is (202) 566-1752.

The electronic version of the public docket for this action contains a copy of the proposed settlement agreement and is available through <https://www.regulations.gov>. You may use <https://www.regulations.gov> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, key in the appropriate docket identification number then select "search."

**II. Additional Information About the Proposed Settlement Agreement**

In 2009, Petitioners petitioned EPA under the Toxic Substances Control Act ("TSCA") section 21, requesting that EPA regulate lead wheel weights. EPA granted the 2009 Petition but did not issue either an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking or a Proposed Rule.

On August 22, 2023, Petitioners filed a petition for writ of mandamus requesting that the Ninth Circuit direct EPA to "conclude a rulemaking under [TSCA] regulating lead wheel weights within six months." The mandamus petition alleged that EPA's 14-year delay violated the APA's requirement that a