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(ii) to 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) to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) to 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.

Burden Statement: The annual burden for this collection is estimated to average 516 hours for each Agency contract. This represents an average of 43 hours for each monthly progress report. Since EPA currently has 398 contracts requiring monthly progress reports, the total annual burden for all respondents is estimated at 205,368 hours (398 contracts x 516 hours per contract). The total number of responses is estimated at 4,776 (398 contracts x 12 months). The annual cost of this collection for each contract is estimated at \$34,308 (\$2,859 per report x 12 months). The annual costs for all respondents is estimated at \$13,654,584 (\$34,308 per contract x 398 contracts).

Burden means 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. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; to train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; to search data sources; to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Dated: May 31, 1996.

Susan Kantrowitz,

Acting Director, Policy, Training and Oversight Division.

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[FRL-5516-1]

Agency Information Collection Activities Up for Renewal; Oral and Written Purchase Orders

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that EPA is planning to submit the following continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Oral and Written Purchase Orders, OMB Control No. 2030-0007. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before August 6, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Environmental Protection Agency Office of Acquisition Management (3802F) 401 M. Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460. Attention: Edward N. Chambers.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward N. Chambers. (202) 260-6028/ FAX: (202) 260-1203/ CHAMBERS.ED@EPAMAIL.EPA.GOV

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are vendors responding to oral requests for quotations.

Title: Oral and Written Purchase Orders, OMB Control No. 2030-0007, expiration date 11-30-96.

Abstract: Vendors responding to an oral request for quotation will report item title, unit cost, delivery destination, delivery time, company name, small business status, address, phone number, and a point of contact. They will submit this information by telephone when an Agency need for their products or services arises. EPA will use this information to award a purchase order.

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in 40 CFR Part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15.

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Burden Statement: The annual burden for this collection on respondents is 3,823 hours. This represents an average of 15 minutes for each of the 15,292 oral purchase orders issued in fiscal year 1995. The total number of responses is estimated at 15,292 (1 response per order x 15,292 oral purchase orders). The annual cost of this collection for respondents is estimated at \$54,134 (\$3.54 per order x 15,292 oral purchase orders).

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Dated: May 31, 1996.

Susan Kantrowitz,

Acting Director, Policy Training and Oversight Division.

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[FRL-5513-9]**National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology; Notice of Charter Renewal****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice of charter renewal.

The Charter for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT) will be renewed for an additional two-year period, as a necessary committee which is in the public interest, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. appl.2 section 9(c). The purpose of NACEPT is to provide advice and counsel to the Administrator of EPA on issues associated with environmental management and policy. It is determined that NACEPT is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Agency by law.

Inquiries may be directed to Gordon Schisler, Designated Federal Official, NACEPT, U.S. EPA, Acting Director of the Office of Cooperative Environmental Management (1601), 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Dated: May 23, 1996.

Gordon Schisler,
Designated Federal Official.

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[ER-FRL-5470-3]**Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments**

Availability of EPA comments prepared May 20, 1996 Through May 24, 1996 pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 05, 1996 (61 FR 15251).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-BLM-G67002-NM Rating LO, Copper Flat Mining Project, Construction and Operation of New Ore Facilities, Hillsboro Mining District, Sierra County, NM.

SUMMARY: EPA had no objection to BLM's preferred alternative as described in the draft EIS.

ERP No. D-FHW-E40359-SC Rating EO2, Carolina Bays Parkway (better known as Grand Strand), Funding, NPDES Permit, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Horry and Georgetown Counties, SC.

SUMMARY: EPA expressed environmental objections to both proposed highway alternatives due to the severity of impacts to wetland and upland resources.

EPA requested that the final EIS include additional wetland avoidance methods and provide more information on upland resources. ERP No. D-GSA-E81036-GA Rating EC2, Savannah Federal Building—United States Courthouse, Site Selection and Construction of Annex within the existing Federal Building Courthouse, Savannah, GA.

SUMMARY: EPA expressed environmental concern regarding solid waste and economic impacts and requested that additional analysis of these issues be included in the FEIS. EPA also requested that information be provided on the adaptive reuse of the building.

ERP No. D-NOA-E91000-NC Rating LO, Black Sea Bass (*Centropristis striata*) Fishery Management Plan (FMP), Implementation, in the western Atlantic Ocean, from Cape Hatteras, NC northward to the US-Canadian Border.

SUMMARY: EPA had no objections to the proposed action.

ERP No. D-NPS-K61142-CA Rating EC2, Manzanar National Historic Site (NHS), General Management Plan, Implementation, Inyo County, CA.

SUMMARY: EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested NPS to provide additional information on air quality modeling, emissions, and conformity, impacts to wetlands and groundwater resources, and an inventory of endangered species, along with potential impacts analysis.

ERP No. DR-NPS-L61196-AK Rating LO, Denali (South Slope) National Park and Preserve Development Concept Plan, Implementation, Additional Information, Mantanuska-Susitna Borough, AK.

SUMMARY: EPA had no objection to the action as proposed.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-DOE-L39052-OR, Columbia River System Operation Review (SOR), Multiple Use Management, Long-Term System Planning By Interested Parties Other than Management Agencies, Canadian Entitlement Allocation Agreement

Renewal or Modification and Pacific NW Coordination Agreement Renewal or Renegotiation, OR.

SUMMARY: EPA continued to have concerns regarding water temperature, total dissolved gas levels the lack of baseline data and the need for additional monitoring.

ERP No. F-FAA-L51016-WA, Seattle—Tacoma (Sea-Tac) International Airport Master Plan Update for Development Actions, Funding, Airport Layout Plan Approval and COE Section 404 Permit, King County, WA.

SUMMARY: EPA continued to have concerns regarding noise and air issues. EPA's air quality comments will be sent in a subsequent letter, due to the extension of the air quality comment period by the FAA.

ERP No. F-FHW-E40325-NC, Winston-Salem Northern Beltway (Western Section), Construction, from US 158 Northward to US 52, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Forsyth County, NC.

SUMMARY: EPA continued to express concern regarding floodplain wildlife habitat impacts of the preferred alternative, since other alternatives have few impacts.

ERP No. F-UAF-K11063-CA, March Air Force Base, Disposal of Portions, NPDES and COE Section 404 Permits, Riverside County, CA.

SUMMARY: While most of EPA's prior issues have been resolved. EPA continued to express concern regarding possible air quality environmental justice impact.

Dated: June 04, 1996

William D. Dickerson,
Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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[ER-FRL-5470-2]**Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability**

RESPONSIBLE AGENCY: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 OR (202) 564-7153. Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed May 27, 1996 Through May 31, 1996 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 960253, FINAL EIS, AFS, ID, Packsaddle Timber Sale and Road Construction Project, Implementation, Idaho Panhandle National Forests, Sandpoint Ranger District, Bonner County, ID, Due: July 08, 1996, Contact: Joni Urbanski (208) 263-5111.

EIS No. 960254, FINAL SUPPLEMENT, BLM, MT, Big Dry Land