

LIST OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS—Continued

[Week of March 3 through March 7, 1997]

Date	Name and location of applicant	Case No.	Type of submission
Do	Glen Milner, Seattle, WA	VFA-0278	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The February 12, 1997, Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by Albuquerque Operations Office would be rescinded, and Glen Milner would receive access to certain DOE information.
Do	Personnel Security Hearing	VSO-0141	Request for hearing under 10 CFR part 710. If granted: An individual employed by a contractor of the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 CFR part 710.
Do	Personnel Security Hearing	VSO-0142	Request for hearing under 10 CFR part 710. If granted: An individual employed by a contractor of the Department would receive a hearing under 10 CFR part 710.
Do	Terry J. Fox, Lacey, WA	VFA-0276	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The January 21, 1997, Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Bonneville Power Administration would be rescinded, and Terry J. Fox would receive access to certain DOE information.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5804-8]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Public Water Systems Supervision Program.

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): Public Water Systems Supervision Program, EPA No. 0270.36; OMB No. 2040-0090, which expires on 3/31/97. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the existing information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before May 30, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water. People interested in getting information or making comments about these ICRs should direct inquiries or comments to the Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, Mail Code 4601, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water's Public Water Systems Supervision Program Information

Collection Request Service Line: 202-260-2050 or through E-mail Donaher.Clare@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are Public Water Systems, primacy agents including regulators in the States, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Trust Territories; Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages, and in some instances, U. S. EPA Regional Administrators and staff.

Title: Information Collection Request for Public Water Systems Supervision Program, expires March 31, 1997.

Abstract: This ICR contains record keeping and reporting requirements that are mandatory for compliance with 40 CFR Parts 141 and 142. Sections 1401 and 1412 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), as amended, require EPA to establish National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs) that ensure the safety of drinking water. These regulations guarantee that exposure to contaminants—microbial, organic and inorganic chemicals, and radionuclides in finished drinking water is below the level established by human health risk assessments. The Act further requires EPA to ensure compliance with and enforce these regulations. Section 1445 of SDWA stipulates that every supplier of water shall conduct monitoring, maintain records, and provide such information as is needed for the Agency to carry out its compliance and enforcement responsibilities with respect to SDWA. Implementation of these requirements is principally a responsibility of the States, particularly the 49 States that have assumed primary enforcement responsibility (primacy) for public water systems under SDWA Section 1413. As part of the Public Water Systems

Supervision Program, the Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water's Federal Reporting Data System (FRDS) and the newly-instituted Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS) collect data from the States on public water systems regulated by EPA. Data include the public water system inventory, violations, and Federal and State enforcement actions. Without comprehensive, up-to-date information on drinking water contamination, the Agency would not be able to ensure "a supply of drinking water which dependably complies with such maximum contaminant levels" (SDWA, Section 1401 (1) (d)).

An Agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information if it does not display a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR Part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15.

The EPA solicits comments 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, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: In the ICR for 1994–1996, the total burden associated with this ICR was estimated to be approximately 11 million hours per year and the total cost was estimated to be \$365 million per year. We expect that the burden for the continuing ICR for 1997–1999 will be in the same range as the three previous years. EPA intends to examine how SDWIS could assist in reducing the burden on the States for reporting requirements and will be working with selected State officials as we work on this renewal. Any recommendations from the drinking water community and the general public on this issue will be given consideration by the Agency.

Dated: March 25, 1997.

Cynthia C. Dougherty,

Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.

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[FRL–5805–1]

Transfer Of Confidential Business Information To Contractors

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of transfer of data and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will transfer Confidential Business Information (CBI) to its contractor, Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors: Marasco Newton Group, Ltd. (MNG), and Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC). These data pertain to the quantities of hazardous waste generated or received, the disposition of those wastes, and where applicable, waste minimization efforts undertaken and reduction achieved. These data have been or will be submitted to EPA pursuant to the Biennial Reporting requirements of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (RCRA), as amended. Some of the information may have a claim of business confidentiality. SAIC, its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors are assisting EPA in establishing national data bases on hazardous waste generation and management.

DATE: Transfer of confidential data submitted to EPA will occur no sooner than April 10, 1997.

ADDRESSEE: Comments should be sent to Regina Magbie, Document Control Officer, Office of Solid Waste (5305W), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC

20460. Comments should be identified as “Transfer of Confidential Data.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Regina Magbie, Document Control Officer, Office of Solid Waste (5305W), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, 703–308–7909.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Transfer of Confidential Business Information

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is using biennial report data to establish a national data base on hazardous waste generation, management, and minimization. These data will be used to characterize the demographics of and trends in hazardous waste generation, management and minimization. Under EPA Contract No. 68–W1–0055, SAIC, Inc., its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors will assist the Information Management Branch, Communications, Information, and Resources Management Division, Office of Solid Waste, in establishing the national data base and preparing the national report based on those analyses. Some of the information being transferred may be claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI).

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.305(h), EPA has determined that SAIC, Inc., its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors require access to CBI submitted to EPA under the authority of RCRA to perform work satisfactory under the above noted contract.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of CBI on the 1989, 1991, 1993, 1995 and 1997 Hazardous Waste Report Forms (EPA Form 8700–13 A/B), or State developed biennial report forms, that EPA may transfer to these firms, on a need-to-know basis, CBI collected under the authority of RCRA. Upon completing their review of materials submitted, SAIC will return all material to EPA.

SAIC, Inc., its subsidiary GSC, and its subcontractors have been authorized to have access to RCRA CBI under the EPA “Contractor Requirements for the Control and Security of RCRA Confidential Business Information Security Manual.” EPA will approve the security plans of the contractors to ensure that their facilities comply with security procedures outlined in the security manual prior to RCRA CBI being transmitted to the contractors. Contractor personnel will be required to sign non-disclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to confidential information.

Dated: March 18, 1997.

Matthew Hale,

Acting Director, Office of Solid Waste.

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[FRL–5804–6]

Annual Conference on Analysis of Pollutants in the Environment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of conference.

SUMMARY: The Office of Science and Technology and the Water Environment Federation will co-sponsor the “20th Annual Conference on Analysis of Pollutants in the Environment” to discuss all aspects of environmental measurement. The conference is open to the public.

DATES: The conference will be held on May 7–8, 1997. On May 7, 1997, the conference will begin at 8:30 am and last until 5:30 pm. On May 8, 1997, the conference will begin at 9 am and adjourn at 5 pm.

ADDRESSES: The conference will be held at the Omni Waterside Hotel, 77 Waterside Drive, Norfolk, Virginia 23510.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For questions regarding the conference program, contact Marion Thompson by phone at (202) 260–7117 or facsimile at (202) 260–7185. For information on registration, hotel, and transportation, contact the Water Environment Federation at (800) 666–0206.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA’s 20th Annual Conference on Analysis of Pollutants in the Environment is designed to bring together representatives of regulated industries, commercial environmental laboratories, state and Federal regulators, and environmental consultants and contractors to discuss all aspects of environmental measurement with a particular focus on analytical methods and related issues.

Hotel reservations must be made on or before Friday, April 4, 1997. Hotel reservations can be made by contacting the Omni Waterside Hotel at (804) 622–6664. Ask for Reservations, and identify the group as the Environmental Protection Agency. Reservation requests received after this date will be accepted on a space available and a rate-available basis.

The draft program for the conference follows: