

and local government entities and other members of the public will also have access to this information for their own use.

Responses to the collection of information are mandatory (see 40 CFR part 704). Respondents may claim all or part of a notice confidential. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14 and 40 CFR part 2.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to range between approximately 67 and 275 hours per response for an estimated four respondents making one or more submissions of information annually. These estimates include the time needed to review instructions; 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; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information. No person is required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for these regulations are displayed in 40 CFR Part 9.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those persons who manufacture, import or process chemical substances and mixtures, or who propose to manufacture, import, or process chemical substances and mixtures, in the United States.

Estimated No. of Respondents: 4.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 275 hours.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Changes in Burden Estimates: There is a decrease of 1,665 hours in the total estimated respondent burden as compared with that identified in the information collection request most recently approved by OMB, from 1,940 hours currently to an estimated 275 hours. At the time of the last clearance of this ICR in May 1994, EPA estimated the burden for respondents to be 276 hours annually, a decrease of 1,940 hours from the burden total in the OMB inventory at the time. However, OMB's action notice approving this ICR, dated August 8, 1994, appears to transpose

these two numbers: the action notice indicates a new status of 1,940 burden hours and a difference of -275 hours. EPA believes that this was a simple inversion mistake made at the time the approval was processed.

The current request for renewal estimates a total burden to respondents of 275 hours, a difference of one hour from that estimated in EPA's 1994 request for renewal. However, the current burden estimate of 275 hours represents a decrease of 1,665 hours from the (incorrect) burden total in the current OMB inventory. Note that the reason for the reduction in burden at the time of the 1994 clearance of this ICR was that the estimate for the number of TSCA section 8(a) chemical-specific rules to be promulgated annually was reduced from an anticipated ten rules per year to one rule per year.

According to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12, EPA has submitted this ICR to OMB for review and approval. Any comments related to the renewal of this ICR should be submitted within 30 days of this notice, as described above.

Dated: June 12, 1997.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5843-8]

Performance Evaluation Reports for Fiscal Year 1996 Section 105 Grants; Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of grantee performance evaluation reports.

SUMMARY: The EPA's grant regulations (40 CFR 35.150) require the Agency to conduct yearly performance evaluations on the progress of the approved State/EPA Agreements. The EPA's regulations (40 CFR 56.7) require that the Agency make available to the public the evaluation reports. The EPA has conducted evaluations on the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, and Kansas Department of Health and Environment. These evaluations were conducted to assess the agencies' performance under the grants made to them by the EPA pursuant to section 105 of the Clean Air Act.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 18, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the evaluation reports are available for public inspection at the EPA's Region VII Air, RCRA, and Toxics Division; 726 Minnesota Avenue; Kansas City, Kansas 66101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Pawlowski at (913) 551-7920.

Dated: June 4, 1997.

William Rice,

Acting Regional Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5844-2]

Environmental Statistics Subcommittee of the National Advisory Council for Policy and Technology; Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Environmental Statistics Subcommittee (of the Environmental Information, Economics and Technology Committee) of the National Advisory Council on Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT) will hold a one day meeting of the full Subcommittee.

The Environmental Statistics Subcommittee was formed to provide key recommendations and strategic advice on the statistical products and activities necessary to enhance the Agency's knowledge about environmental statistics and trends, and to explore information gaps from the perspective of the users/products of these data products. The meeting is being held to discuss and offer critical advice on initiatives of the Office of Strategic Planning and Environmental Data.

Scheduling constraints preclude oral comments from the public during the meeting. Written comments can be submitted by the mail, and will be transmitted to Committee members for consideration.

DATES: The public meeting will be held on July 22, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The meetings will be held at Loews L'Enfant Plaza Hotel 480 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W. 2nd Floor Renoir Conference Room Washington, D.C. 20024. This meeting is open to the public. Due to limited space, seating at the meeting will be on a first-come basis.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to: N. Phillip Ross, Office of Strategic Planning and Environmental Data, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 2161, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: N. Phillip Ross, Designated Federal Official, Direct Line (202) 260-0250, General Line (202) 260-5244, FAX (202) 260-8550.

Dated: June 13, 1997.

Barry D. Nussbaum,

Acting Designated Federal Official.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5843-3]

Notice of Public Meetings on the Pesticide Formulating, Packaging and Repackaging Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards' Pollution Prevention Alternative

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Office of Science and Technology announces five meetings on the Pollution Prevention (P2) Alternative, a compliance alternative of the November 1996 effluent guidelines for the Pesticide Formulating, Packaging, and Repackaging (PFPR) Industry (61 FR 57518). The meetings were designed for the regulated community and the state/local regulators to provide guidance on this compliance alternative. These meetings will *not* cover implementation of the zero discharge limitations and standards for "Refilling Establishments" (Subcategory E) facilities (i.e., facilities regulated by 40 CFR 455.60).

DATES: EPA will conduct five public meetings on the Pollution Prevention Alternative on: Tuesday, July 15, 1997, and Wednesday, July 16, 1997, in Chicago, Illinois; on Thursday, July 24, 1997, and Friday, July 25, 1997, in Atlanta, Georgia; on Tuesday, August 26, 1997, and Wednesday, August 27, 1997, in Dallas, Texas; on Monday, September 22, 1997, and Tuesday, September 23, 1997, in Portland, Oregon; and on Thursday, September 25, 1997, and Friday, September 26, 1997, in Kansas City, Missouri.

ADDRESSES: The workshop on July 15-16, 1997, will be held at the Hotel Inter-Continental, 505 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The workshop on July 24-25, 1997, will be

held at the Harvey Hotel—Atlanta Powers Ferry, 6345 Powers Ferry Road, NW, Atlanta, Georgia. The workshop on August 26-27, 1997, will be held at the Fairmont Hotel, 1717 North Akard Street, Dallas, Texas. The workshop on September 22-23, 1997, will be held at the Doubletree Portland—Columbia River, 1401 North Hayden Island Drive, Portland, Oregon. The workshop on September 25-26, 1997, will be held at the Adam's Mark Hotel, 9103 East 39th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shari Zuskin by facsimile at (202) 260-7185, or by E-mail: zuskin.shari@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Meeting/Hotel Arrangements

Meeting arrangements are being coordinated by DynCorp, Inc. For information on registration and a registration form, contact Cindy Simbanin, 300 N. Lee Street, Suite 500, Alexandria, VA 22314. Phone: (703) 519-1386. Facsimile number: (703) 684-0610. Space is limited and reservations are being taken on a first come, first served basis. No fees will be charged to attend. Attendees must fax or mail a completed registration form to Cindy Simbanin. Please note that participants will be encouraged to select a first and second choice workshop location; however, if you are choosing to attend the Chicago or Atlanta meetings make your hotel reservation immediately, do not wait for your workshop registration confirmation. Upon receipt of your registration form, a confirmation will be faxed, mailed, or e-mailed to you.

Hotel reservations for Chicago may be made by contacting the Inter-Continental Hotel, (312) 944-4100. Guest rates are \$119 single and \$142 double occupancy, including tax. Reservations must be made by June 21, 1997. When making reservations, you must specify that you are affiliated with the EPA PFPR Workshop to qualify for the quoted rate.

For the Atlanta meeting, hotel reservations may be made by contacting the Harvey Hotel—Atlanta Powers Ferry at (770) 955-1700. Tax exempt government guest rates are \$96 single and \$116 double occupancy. Non-government, tax inclusive guest rates are \$108.48/single and \$131.08/double occupancy. Reservations must be made by July 10, 1997, and you must reference the event as the EPA PFPR Workshop.

Hotel reservations for the Dallas meeting may be made by contacting the Fairmont Hotel at (800) 527-4727. Ask for reservations and identify the group

as the EPA PFPR Workshop. The tax exempt government room rate is \$84 single/double occupancy. The non-government, tax inclusive rates are \$134.47/single and \$145.77/double occupancy. To receive the group rates quoted above all reservations must be made by August 1, 1997.

For the Portland meeting, reservations may be made by contacting the Doubletree Portland—Columbia River, (800) 733-5466, ask for the Reservations Department, and identify the group as the EPA PFPR Workshop. Reservations must be made by August 31, 1997. Tax exempt government room rates are \$87/single and \$105/double occupancy. Non-government, tax inclusive rates are \$95.00/single and \$114.45/double occupancy.

Hotel reservations for the Kansas City meeting may be made by contacting the Adam's Mark Hotel, (816) 737-0200, ask for Reservations, and identify the group as the EPA PFPR Workshop. Reservations must be made by August 29, 1997. Tax exempt government rates are \$78/single and \$88/double. Non-government rates are \$106.38/single and \$117.57/double occupancy, inclusive of taxes.

Accommodations are limited at each location, so please make your reservations early. Contact Cindy Simbanin for information on government tax exempt rates, guarantee, and cancellation policies for the hotels listed above. Phone: (703) 519-1386; Facsimile: (703) 684-0610.

Background

On November 6, 1996, EPA published the final rule: Pesticide Formulating, Packaging, and Repackaging (PFPR) Industry Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards (61 FR 57518). The regulation provides Subcategory C facilities (approximately 1,500 facilities) a choice between zero discharge and a compliance alternative, named the "Pollution Prevention (P2) Alternative." This structure provides a compliance option to PFPR facilities who agree to implement certain pollution prevention, recycle and reuse practices (and wastewater treatment when necessary). Facilities choosing and implementing the P2 Alternative will receive a discharge allowance.

The P2 Alternative is the first of its kind to be utilized in an effluent guideline. For this reason, EPA will provide guidance on implementing the P2 Alternative at the five regional meetings and in manual titled, "Pollution Prevention (P2) Guidance Manual for the Pesticide Formulating, Packaging, and Repackaging Industry: Implementing the P2 Alternative." The