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#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection and Information collection requests.

Dated: April 9, 1998.

**Susan H. Wayland,**

*Acting Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5998-9]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements Under EPA's Natural Gas STAR Program

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: "Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements under EPA's Natural Gas STAR Program," OMB Control Number 2060-0328, and expiration date 6/30/98. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and

cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before May 18, 1998.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by email at farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov, or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1736.02.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** "Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements under EPA's Natural Gas STAR Program". (OMB Control No. 2060-0328; EPA ICR No. 1736.02) expiring 6/30/98. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

**Abstract:** Natural Gas STAR is an EPA-sponsored, voluntary program that encourages natural gas companies to adopt cost effective methods for reducing methane emissions. Natural Gas STAR Partners agree to implement cost effective Best Management Practices (BMPs), which will both save participants money and improve the protection of the environment. EPA needs to collect information to establish program participation and to obtain general information on new Natural Gas STAR Partners. EPA also uses the information collection to evaluate a Partner's progress and performance, and assess overall program results. Participation in the Natural Gas STAR program is voluntary. Natural Gas STAR Partners may designate information submitted under this ICR as confidential business information. EPA will treat all such information as confidential business information and will not make the company or agency-specific information collected under this ICR available to the general public. 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. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15. The **Federal Register** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 12/20/97; No comments were received.

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 39 hours per facility. 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;

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.

**Respondents/Affected Entities:**

Natural Gas Companies.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 78.

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 3,692 hours.

**Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden:** 0.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1736.02 and OMB Control No. 2060-0328 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460; and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: April 13, 1998.

**Joseph Retzer,**

*Director, Regulatory Information Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-5490-9]

### Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared March 30, 1998 Through April 03, 1998 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 11, 1997 (62 FR 16154).

#### Draft EISs

ERP No. D-FHW-B40082-VT Rating EC2, Rutland Transportation Improvement Project, between US 4 and US 7 in the City of Rutland and the Towns of Rutland, Mendon, Clarendon and Shrewsbury, Funding, EPA Permit and COE Section 404 Permit, Rutland County, VT.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding wetland, water supply and secondary impacts of the various alternatives studied in the DEIS. EPA also requested additional traffic analysis information and asked FHWA to consider a modified Upgrade Alternative to achieve the project purpose.

ERP No. D-FHW-B40083-NH Rating EC2, Manchester Airport Access Road Highway Improvement Project, Bedford-Manchester-Londonderry-Litchfield-Merrimack, Funding and NPDES Permit and COE Section 404 Permit, Hillsborough and Rockingham Counties, NH.

*Summary:* EPA had environmental concerns that the alternatives analysis in the DEIS does not rebut the presumption that practicable and less damaging alternatives exist to the preferred option. EPA requested additional information concerning direct and indirect impacts, and measures to protect groundwater and drinking water resources. Additionally, until various issues concerning the analysis of alternatives and the final shape of the mitigation plan are resolved, EPA believes the project does not comply with the EPA Section 404(b)(1) guidelines and should not receive a permit.

ERP No. D-FHW-G40147-NM Rating EC2, Paseo del Volcon Corridor, Acquisition of Right-of-Way and Construction of Roadway, from the Intersection of I-40 to Intersection of NM-44 near the Town of Bernalillo, Bernalillo and Sandoval Counties, NM.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, noise attenuation and barrier design, Environmental Justice, and NEPA compliance assurances for future or planned east to west arterial connectors.

ERP No. D-FHW-K40230-CA Rating EO2, CA-58 Transportation Corridor, Route Adoption and Purchases Right-of-Way Acquisition Project, between CA-99 in the Bakerfield Metropolitan Area and Interstate 5 in Kern County,

Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Kern County, CA.

*Summary:* EPA raised environmental objections with the corridor alignment alternatives. EPA suggested that other alternatives be examined and raised concerns with the Purpose and Need, alternatives analysis, impacts to water resources, threatened and endangered species, and cumulative effects of the project.

ERP No. D-FTA-E40775-FL Rating EC1, Miami North Corridor Project, Transit Improvements between NW 62 Street at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Station and NW 215th Street at the Dade/Broward Counties Line, Funding, Major Investment Study, Dade County, FL.

*Summary:* EPA had environmental concerns because of the unavoidability of some impacts, mitigation will be very important to this project.

ERP No. D-IBR-K28019-CA Rating EO2, East Bay Municipal Utility District, Supplemental Water Supply Project, American River Division of the Central Valley Project (CVP), Sacramento County, CA.

*Summary:* EPA objected to the narrow scope of alternatives and the restrictive alternative screening criteria which inherently limited feasible alternatives to those with diversions from the American River. EPA urged evaluation in detail of a wider range of alternatives that encompass water management measures and water supply sources other than just American River water. If a diversion from the American River is deemed necessary, EPA urged selection of diversion points on the Sacramento River below the confluence with the American River or as far downstream on the American River as feasible. Given the significant adverse cumulative impacts of additional American River diversions and the fact that other utilities are able to utilize other water sources. EPA recommended that the Final EIS clearly demonstrate that high quality American River water is essential for meeting drinking water standards and that the use other water sources is not feasible.

ERP No. D-TVA-E09801-MS Rating EC2, Red Hills Power Project, Proposal to Purchase 440 megawatts (MW) of Electrical Energy, COE Section 404 Permit, Town of Ackerman, Choctaw County, MS.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concern regarding forested wetland impacts and mitigation, truck noise, air toxics screening against state thresholds and identification of water uses of wells and springs potentially impacted by mining.

ERP No. D-UAF-A11074-00 Rating EC2, Evolved Expandable Launch Vehicle (EELV) Program, Development, Operation and Deployment, Proposed Launch Locations are Cape Canaveral Air Station (AS), Florida and Vandenberg Air Force Base (AFB), California, Federal Permits and Licenses, FL and CA.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns regarding air issues resulting from ozone depleting substance; the effects on plant-life; and waste disposal.

ERP No. DA-COE-K36009-CA Rating EC2, Napa River and Napa Creek Flood Protection Project, New Information, City of Napa, Napa County, CA.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns that the Corps may not be taking advantage of the numerous opportunities to avoid, reduce and minimize adverse impacts to wetlands and other aquatic resources. EPA expressed concerns because the EIS did not provide discussion or data regarding construction-related emissions of particulates from sources other than equipment; indicate whether PCBs are present in electrical equipment or other utilities subject to removal or relocation; and discuss whether vegetation maintenance would use herbicides, potentially impacting water quality, fish and wildlife, public health and non-target species.

#### Final EISs

ERP No. F-FHW-B53012-RI, Rhode Island Northeast Corridor Freight Rail Improvement Project, Major Investment Study, Implementation, Boston Switch in Central Falls to the Quonset Point/Davisville Industrial Park in North Kingtown, Funding, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Providence County, RI.

*Summary:* EPA had lack of objection to the FHWA preferred alternative and indicated that several water supply and water quality issues should be resolved prior to construction of the project.

ERP No. F-FHW-L50005-AK, Kenai River Bridge Crossing Project, Construction from Sterling Highway to Funny River Road, Funding, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, US CGD Permit and EPA NPDES Permit, Kenai Peninsula, AK.

*Summary:* EPA continued to have environmental objections based on lack of mitigation for wetland 3 and potential impacts to the Brown Bear.

ERP No. F-GSA-L80016-WA, Seattle New Federal Courthouse, Construction, King County, WA.

*Summary:* Review of the Final EIS was not deemed necessary. No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

Dated: April 14, 1998.

**William D. Dickerson,**

*Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-5490-8]

### 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 April 6, 1998, Through April 10, 1998, Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9

*EIS No. 980116*, Draft EIS, FAA, MA, Provincetown Municipal Airport Safety and Operational Enhancement Project, Improvements (1) Firefighter Equipment Garage; (2) General Aviation Parking Apron Expansion; (3) Runway Safety Areas, and (4) a Runway Extension, COE Section 404 Permit, Cape Cod National Seashore, Barnstable County, MA, *Due:* June 1, 1998, *Contact:* John C. Silva (781) 238-7602.

*EIS No. 980117*, Final EIS, UAF, NM, Holloman Air Force Base, Proposed Expansion of German Air Force Operations, for the Beddown of 30 Aircraft and Construction of Facilities for 640 Personnel, NM, *Due:* May 18, 1998, *Contact:* Sheryle Parker (703) 604-0473.

*EIS No. 980118*, Draft SUPPLEMENT, JUS, Cannabis Eradication in the Contiguous United States and Hawaii, Updated/New Information on Herbicidal Eradication Scientific Data, *Due:* June 1, 1998, *Contact:* Jack Edmundson (301) 734-8565.

*EIS No. 980119*, Draft EIS, FHW, WA, Interstate 90 (I-90) South Sammamish Plateau Access Road and Sunset Interchange Modifications, Construction, COE Section 404 Permit, Coastal Zone Management and NPDES Permits, King County, WA, *Due:* June 1, 1998, *Contact:* Gene Fong (360) 753-9413.

*EIS No. 980120*, Final EIS, NOA, SC, Marine Environmental Health Research Laboratory (MEHRL), Construction and Operation of Premiere, High Technology and Marine Research Center, Approval of Permits, Charleston County, SC, *Due:* May 18, 1998, *Contact:* Donna Howard (803) 762-8604.

*EIS No. 980121*, Final EIS, IBR, AZ, Tucson Aqueduct System Reliability Investigation (TASRI), Central Arizona Project, Surface Storage Reservoir Construction, COE Section 404 Permit, Gila River, City of Tucson, Pima County, AZ, *Due:* May 18, 1998, *Contact:* Ms. Sandra Eto (602) 216-3857.

*EIS No. 980123*, Final EIS, FRC, WA, Sullivan Creek Hydroelectric (FERC No. 2225) Project, An Application for Amendment of License, Public Utility District No. 1, Sullivan Creek, Pend Oreille County, WA, *Due:* May 18, 1998, *Contact:* Rebecca Martin (202) 219-1650.

*EIS No. 980124*, Draft EIS, AFS, OR, Christy Basin Planning Area, Implementation, Regeneration Timber Harvesting, Willamette National Forest, Oakridge Ranger District, Lane County, OR, *Due:* June 1, 1998, *Contact:* Tim Bailey (541) 782-2283.

*EIS No. 980125*, Draft EIS, AFS, MT, Fatty-Piper Access Road Project, Implementation, To Grant Plum Creek Authorization to Occupy and Use Land in National Forest System, Flathead National Forest, Swan Lake Ranger District, Lake County, MT, *Due:* June 1, 1998, *Contact:* Dennis McCarthy (406) 837-5081.

*EIS No. 980126*, Final EIS, USN, CA, Miramar Naval Air Station Realignment of E-2 Aircraft Squadrons, Three Installations are considered: Point Mugu Naval Air Weapons Station, Lemoore Naval Air Station and El Centro, Ventura, Fresno, King and Imperial Counties, CA, *Due:* May 18, 1998, *Contact:* Ms. Kelly Knight (619) 532-2456.

*EIS No. 980127*, Final EIS, FHW, NY, Judd Road Connector Transportation Improvements, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, Village of New York Mills, Towns of New Hartford and Whitestown, Oneida County, NY, *Due:* May 18, 1998, *Contact:* Harold J. Brown (518) 431-4127.

Dated: April 14, 1998.

**William D. Dickerson,**

*Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5999-1]

### Public Meetings of the Urban Wet Weather Flows Advisory Committee, the Storm Water Phase II Advisory Subcommittee, and the Sanitary Sewer Overflow Advisory Subcommittee

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is given that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is CANCELLING the May 7-8 public meeting of the Storm Water Phase II Advisory Subcommittee. The June 25-26 meeting is still being held. The June 25-26 meeting is open to the public without need for advance registration. During the June 25-26 meeting, the Storm Water Phase II Advisory Committee will discuss the proposed rule and other related topics for program implementation.

**DATES:** May 7-8, 1998 (CANCELLED) and June 25-26, 1998.

On the first day, the meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. EST and end at 5:00 p.m. On the second day, the meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at approximately 5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The June 25-26 meeting will be held at The Arlington Hilton & Towers, 950 N. Stafford Street, Arlington, VA. The telephone number is (703) 812-5109.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharie Centilla, Office of Wastewater Management, at (202) 260-6052, or Internet: centilla.sharie@epa.gov.

Dated: April 8, 1998.

**Michael B. Cook,**

*Director, Office of Wastewater Management, Designated Federal Official.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-34124; FRL 5782-6]

### Notice of Receipt of Requests for Amendments to Delete Uses in Certain Pesticide Registrations

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, EPA is issuing a notice of receipt of request for amendment by