

settlement, which includes as an attachment the **Federal Register** document outlining EPA's schedule for responding to the remand, are available from Samantha Hooks, Air and Radiation Law Office (2344), Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460, (202) 260-3804. Written comments should be sent to Michael L. Goo, Air and Radiation Division, Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460 and must be submitted on or before July 6, 1998.

Dated: May 30, 1998.

Jonathan Z. Cannon,

General Counsel.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6107-4]

Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-1996

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of document availability and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Draft *Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-1996* is available for public review, and the review period has been extended until July 6, 1998, in order to allow additional time for public comment. Annual U.S. emissions for the period of time from 1990-1996 are summarized and presented by source category and sector. The inventory contains estimates of CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, HFCs, PFCs, and SF₆ emissions, as well as estimated emissions of VOCs, NO_x, CO, and HFCs. The approach used to estimate emissions for the greenhouse gases was adapted from the methodologies recommended by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. The U.S. Greenhouse Gas Inventory is being prepared to provide a basis for the ongoing development of a comprehensive and accurate system to identify and quantify emissions and sinks of greenhouse gases in the U.S. It will serve as part of the U.S. submission to the Secretariat of the Framework Convention on Climate Change and to contribute to the updates to the U.S. Climate Action Report. To ensure your comments are considered for the final version of this document, please submit your comments prior to July 6, 1998. However, comments received after that

date will still be welcomed and will be considered for the next edition of this report.

DATES: Comments are requested by May 29, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send requests for a copy of the document to: Mr. Wiley Barbour, PE, Environmental Protection Agency, Climate Policy and Programs Division (2175), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, Fax: (202) 260-6405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Wiley Barbour, Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Policy, Climate Policy and Programs Division, (202) 260-6972.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may view the document referenced above on the US EPA's homepage at www.epa.gov/globalwarming/inventory. If you wish to send an email with your comments you may send the email to barbour.wiley@epamail.epa.gov.

Dated: May 20, 1998.

David M. Gardiner,

Assistant Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6106-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities OMB Responses

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notices.

SUMMARY: This document announces the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) responses to Agency clearance requests, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et. Seq.). 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Call Sandy Farmer at (202) 260-2740, or E-mail at "farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov", and please refer to the appropriate EPA Information Collection Request (ICR) Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Responses to Agency Clearance Requests

OMB Approvals

EPA ICR No. 1361.07; New RCRA Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements for Boilers and Industrial Furnaces Burning Hazardous Waste; in 40 CFR part 63, subpart EEE and 40 CFR 261.38; was approved 04/24/98; OMB No. 2050-0073; expires 04/30/2001.

EPA ICR No. 1304.05; Application for Preauthorization of a CERCLA Response Action; in 40 CFR part 307; was approved 04/29/98; OMB No. 2050-0106; expires 04/30/2001.

EPA ICR No. 1058.06; NSPS for Municipal Incinerators; in 40 CFR part 60, subpart E; was approved 04/22/98; OMB No. 2060-0040; expires 04/30/2001.

EPA ICR No. 1652.03; NESHAP for Halogenated Solvent Cleaners/Halogenated Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAP); in 40 CFR part 63, subpart T; was approved 05/01/98; OMB No. 2060-0273; expires 05/31/2001.

EPA ICR No. 1676.02; Clean Air Act Tribal Authority; in 40 CFR part 49; was approved 05/19/98; OMB No. 2060-0306; expires 05/31/2001.

OMB Disapprovals

EPA ICR No. 1630.04; Facility Response Plan Rule; was disapproved by OMB 04/17/98.

EPA ICR No. 1641.02; Collection of Economic and Regulatory Impact Support Data under RCRA; was disapproved by OMB 05/05/98.

EPA ICR No. 1442.15; Land Disposal Restrictions, Phase IV Second Supplemental Proposal Treatment Standards for Wastes from Toxicity Characteristic Metals and Mineral Processing; was disapproved by OMB 05/03/98.

EPA ICR No. 0328.06; Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plans; (Proposed Revision) was disapproved by OMB 05/05/98.

EPA ICR No. 1855.01; Promulgation for Federal Implementation Plan for Arizona-Phoenix Moderate Area PM-10 (includes a Proposed Rule for Vacant Lots, Unpaved Parking Lots, and Unpaved Roads for the Phoenix Area; was disapproved by OMB 05/19/98.

Extension of Expiration Date

EPA ICR No. 1637.03; Determining Conformity of General Federal Action to State Implementation Plans; in 40 CFR part 51, subpart W and 40 CFR part 93, subpart B; OMB No. 2060-0279; on 04/09/98 OMB extended the expiration date through 07/31/98.

Dated: May 28, 1998.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6107-2]

Carcinogenic Effects of Benzene: An Update

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of a final report titled, Carcinogenic Effects of Benzene: An Update (EPA/600/P-97/001F), which was prepared by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) of the Office of Research and Development (ORD).

DATES: This document will be available on or about June 15, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The document is available on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/ncea>. A limited number of paper copies will be available from the Center for Environmental Research Information, National Risk Management Research Laboratory, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 26 W. Martin Luther King Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45268; telephone: 513-569-7562; fax: 513-569-7566. If you are requesting a paper copy, please provide your name, mailing address, and the document title and number, Carcinogenic Effects of Benzene: An Update (EPA/600/P-97/001F).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Bayliss, National Center for Environmental Assessment/Washington Office (8623D), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, D.C. 20460. Telephone: 202-564-3294; fax: 202-565-0078; e-mail: benzene.new@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This report was developed at the request of the Office of Mobile Sources, Office of Air and Radiation, to update the current Agency cancer inhalation risk characterization shown on the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) and in the 1985 assessment, Interim Quantitative Cancer Unit Risk Estimates Due to Inhalation of Benzene. The major issue addressed in this report involves the magnitude of the risk of cancer to humans exposed to low levels of benzene. Occupational studies of workers exposed to benzene continue to

provide the bulk of evidence of benzene's carcinogenicity. Workers are exposed at much higher levels than is the general public. This document reaffirms that benzene is a "known" human carcinogen by all routes of exposure. This finding is supported by evidence from epidemiologic studies, animal data, and an improved understanding of mechanism(s) of action. Human epidemiologic studies of highly exposed occupational cohorts have demonstrated that exposure to benzene can cause acute nonlymphocytic leukemia and other blood disorders. Additionally, changes in blood and bone marrow consistent with hematotoxicity are recognized in humans and experimental animals. Currently, there is insufficient evidence to reject a linear dose-response curve for extrapolation of risk to low exposure levels and so use of a linear extrapolation is still recommended. In its earlier assessment, and in IRIS, EPA uses a single risk estimate for benzene of 26 per thousand per ppm of lifetime inhalation exposure. This update assessment recommends a range of risk estimates, that is, 7.1-25 per thousand per ppm.

A draft of this document underwent public comment during July and August 1997 and external peer-panel review on July 16, 1997 (62 FR 35172-35173). These review comments were considered in preparing the final document.

Dated: May 21, 1998.

William H. Farland,

Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Freight Forwarder License Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission applications for licenses as ocean freight forwarders pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR 510).

Persons knowing of any reason why any of the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Freight Forwarders, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, D.C. 20573.

Freight and Export Management
Expeditors International, 12818
Skyknoll Lane, Houston, TX 77082,

Officers: Angel Ortiz, Partner; Juan Garza, Partner
OverOceans, Inc., 2902 Airfreight Road, Houston, TX 77032, Officers: George J. Smith, CEO; Kahne D. Smith, President
Reto Shipping Corporation d/b/a Reto Services, 8364 N.W. 66 Street, Miami, FL 33166, Officers: Angel Gonzalez, President; Loraine V. Gonzalez, Vice President.

Dated: May 29, 1998.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Agency information collection activities: Announcement of Board approval under delegated authority and submission to OMB

SUMMARY

Background

Notice is hereby given of the final approval of a proposed information collection by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) under OMB delegated authority, as per 5 CFR 1320.16 (OMB Regulations on Controlling Paperwork Burdens on the Public). Board-approved collections of information are incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. A copy of the OMB 83-I and supporting statement and an approved collection of information instrument is placed into OMB's public docket files. The Federal Reserve may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

CONTACT: Chief, Financial Reports Section--Mary M. McLaughlin--Division of Research and Statistics, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551 (202-452-3829)

OMB Desk Officer--Alexander T. Hunt--Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 3208, Washington, DC 20503 (202-395-7860)

Final approval under OMB delegated authority the extension for three years, with revision, of the following report:

1. *Report title:* Annual Report of Bank Holding Companies
Agency form number: FR Y-6