

1991 Comp., p. 351; E.O. 12580, 52 FR 2923, 3 CFR, 1987 Comp., p. 193.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 710

[OPPTS-82053A; FRL-6388-1]

RIN 2070-AC61

TSCA Inventory Update Rule Amendments; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: EPA is extending the comment period for the proposed rule to amend the TSCA Inventory Update Rule (IUR) published on August 26, 1999. In response to several requests, the comment period is being extended by 60 days until December 24, 1999. The comment period for the proposed rule was scheduled to close on October 25, 1999. Under section 8(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), EPA currently requires manufacturers (including importers) of certain chemical substances and mixtures on the TSCA Chemical Substances Inventory to report current data regarding production volume, plant site information, and site-limited status. The proposed rule requires the reporting of additional data that would assist EPA in evaluating potential exposures and risks resulting from industrial chemical operations and commercial and consumer uses of chemical substances. The proposed rule also modifies reporting and recordkeeping requirements, removes one reporting exemption and creates others, and modifies confidential business information (CBI) reporting and retention procedures. Information from the proposed IUR Amendments will help both EPA and the public better identify and mitigate potential exposures and risks associated with TSCA chemicals.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket control number OPPTS-82053, must be received by EPA on or before December 24, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed

instructions for each method as provided in Unit III. of the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION."

To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPPTS-82053 in the subject line of the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information contact: Christine M. Augustyniak, Associate Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone: (202) 554-1404, TDD: (202) 554-0551; e-mail: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

For technical information contact: Susan Krueger, Project Manager, Economics, Exposure and Technology Division (7406), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone: (202) 260-1713, fax: (202) 260-1661; e-mail: krueger.susan@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you manufacture or import chemical substances and mixtures currently subject to reporting under the Inventory Update Rule (IUR) at 40 CFR part 710 or manufacture or import inorganic chemical substances. In the past, processors of chemical substances have not been required to comply with the requirements at 40 CFR part 710. The proposed amendments do not change the status of processors under the regulations at 40 CFR part 710. Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Category	NAICS	Examples of Potentially Regulated Persons
Chemical manufacturers and importers	325, 32411	Chemical manufacturers (including importers) currently subject to IUR reporting Chemical manufacturers (including importers) of inorganic chemical substances

This listing is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be

regulated by this action. Other types of entities not listed above could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this action applies to certain entities. To determine whether you or your business is affected by this action, you should carefully examine the applicability provisions in 40 CFR part 710. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT."

II. How Can I Get Additional Information or Copies of this Document or Other Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document and various support documents from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. On the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register--Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the "Federal Register" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

In addition, electronic copies of this document and various support documents may be accessed at <http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/iuramend>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPPTS-82053. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as CBI. This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, Rm. NE-B607, Waterside Mall, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. The Center is open from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Center is (202) 260-7099.

III. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

As described in Unit I.C. of the proposed rule published in the **Federal**

Register of August 26, 1999 (40 FR 46772) (FRL-6097-4), you may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. Please follow the instructions in the proposed rule. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify docket control number OPPTS-82053 in the subject line of the first page of your correspondence.

IV. How Should I Handle CBI Information That I Want to Submit to the Agency?

Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. You may claim information that you submit in response to this document as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public version of the official record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public version of the official record without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the technical person identified under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT."

V. What Should I Consider As I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

EPA invites you to provide your views on the various options proposed, new approaches EPA has not considered, the potential impacts of the various options (including possible unintended consequences), and any data or information that you would like the Agency to consider during the development of the final action. You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Tell us what you support, as well as what you disagree with.
6. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
7. Offer alternative ways to improve the proposed rule or collection activity.

8. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this document.

9. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to provide the docket control number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation, and the appropriate EPA or OMB ICR number.

VI. What Action is EPA Taking?

EPA is extending the comment period for EPA's August 26, 1999 proposed rule (64 FR 46772) to add exposure related information requirements, alter CBI reporting and retention procedures, revise reporting thresholds and exemptions, and make other revisions. EPA proposed these changes pursuant to its authority under TSCA section 8(a).

VII. Do Any Regulatory Assessment Requirements Apply to this Action?

No. This action is not a rulemaking, it merely extends the date by which public comments on a proposed rule must be submitted to EPA on a proposed rule that previously published in the **Federal Register** of August 26, 1999 (64 FR 46772). For information about the applicability of the regulatory assessment requirements to the proposed rule, please refer to the discussion in Unit XI. of that document.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 710

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Hazardous materials, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

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Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 99-292; FCC 99-257]

Broadcast Services; Radio Stations, Television Stations

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rule making.

SUMMARY: This document solicits comment the establishment of a "Class A" Low Power Television (LPTV) service that would afford some measure of "primary" station status to qualifying stations that would provide them with

a degree of protection against channel displacement.

DATES: Comments are due December 21, 1999 and Reply Comments are due January 20, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Keith Larson, Associate Bureau Chief (Engineering), Mass Media Bureau (202)418-2600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* in MM Docket No. 99-292, FCC 99-257, adopted September 22, 1999, and released September 29, 1999. The complete text of this *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Dockets Branch (Room TW-A306), 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. The complete text of this *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Services (202)857-3800, 1231 20th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

Synopsis of Notice of Proposed Rule Making

I. Introduction

1. By this document we consider additional interference protections for certain stations in the Low Power Television (LPTV) service¹. At this stage, we believe it is appropriate to consider the creation of a new "Class A" LPTV service that would afford some measure of "primary" status to qualifying stations. The stability this status could provide to these stations would enhance their ability to furnish valuable service to their communities, including locally produced

¹ The Low Power Television Service (Subpart G of Part 74 of the Commission's Rules) primarily consists of low power television (LPTV) stations and television translator stations. LPTV stations may retransmit the programs of full service television stations and may originate programming. A TV translator station rebroadcasts the programs and signals of a television broadcast station and may originate emergency warnings of imminent danger and, additionally, not more than thirty-seconds per hour of public service announcements and material seeking or acknowledging financial support deemed necessary to the continued operation of the station. Stations in the low power television service are authorized with "secondary" frequency use status and, as such, may not cause interference to, and must accept interference from full service television stations and other primary services. Additionally, as the name suggests, LPTV service stations have lower authorized power levels than full service stations. However, unlike full service stations, they are not restricted to operating on a channel specified in a table of allotments. Also, they are not subject to numerous rules applicable to full service stations.