

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:*

Manufacturers, processors, importers, or distributors in commerce of chemical substances or mixtures.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

*Estimated No. of Respondents:* 7,397.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 29,939 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Costs:* \$2,613,486.

*Changes in Burden Estimates:* There is a decrease of 340 hours in the total estimated burden compared with that identified in the information collection request most recently approved by OMB. This decrease reflects minor downward re-estimates in the number of small and large businesses and the average number of employees at those businesses (adjustment). The decrease in the estimates of number of employees in turn decreases the number of estimated allegations. Because allegations trigger response by industry, this results in a decrease in the estimated burden hours and costs.

Dated: August 21, 2002.

**Oscar Morales,**

*Director, Collection Strategies Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7270-2]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; NSPS for Iron and Steel Plants: Basic Oxygen Process Furnaces

**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: NSPS for Iron and Steel Plants: Basic Oxygen Process Furnaces (40 CFR part 60, subparts N and Na); OMB Control Number 2060-0029; EPA ICR Number 1069.07; expiration date September 30, 2002. 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 September 30, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments, referencing EPA ICR Number 1069.07 and OMB Control Number 2060-0029 to the following addresses: Susan Abby, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Collection Strategies Division (Mail Code 2822T), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; and to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the ICR, contact Susan Abby at EPA by phone at: (202) 566-1672; by E-mail at [auby.susan@epa.gov](mailto:auby.susan@epa.gov); or download off the Internet at: <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR. For technical questions about the ICR, contact Maria Malave in the Office of Compliance at: (202) 564-7027, or via E-mail at [malave.maria@epa.gov](mailto:malave.maria@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* NSPS for Iron and Steel Plants: Basic Oxygen Process Furnaces (40 CFR part 60, subparts N and Na); OMB Control Number 2060-0029; EPA ICR Number 1069.07; expiring September 30, 2002. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* The New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for Primary Emissions from Basic Oxygen Process Furnaces (BOPF) (40 CFR part 60, subpart N) were proposed on June 11, 1973, and promulgated on March 8, 1974. On January 20, 1983, amendments to the Standards of Performance for Primary Emissions from Basic Oxygen Process Furnaces, merged with Standards of Performance for Secondary Emissions from Basic Oxygen Process Steelmaking Facilities (40 CFR part 60, subpart Na). Subpart Na is applicable to any top-blown BOPF, hot metal transfer station or skimming station for which construction, reconstruction, or modification commenced after January 20, 1983.

Owners and operators of affected sources are subject to the monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting requirements of 40 CFR part 60, subpart A, the General Provisions, unless specified otherwise in the regulation. Owners or operators of the affected facilities described must make one-time-only notifications. Owners or operators are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. Monitoring

requirements specific to BOPF shops subject to NSPS subparts N and Na provide information on the operation of the emissions control device and compliance with the mass and visible emission standards. Semiannual reports of measurements that average 10 percent below the average measurements obtained during the most recent performance tests are required. These notifications, reports, and records are essential in determining compliance; and are required, in general, of all sources subject to NSPS.

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 October 29, 2001. No comments were received.

*Burden Statement:* The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 101 hours per response. 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:* Basic oxygen process furnace shops at iron and steel plants/furnaces, skimming stations and/or hot metal transfer stations.

*Estimated Annual Number of Respondents:* 4.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion and semiannual.

*Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:* 1,012 hours.

*Estimated Total Annualized Capital and O&M Cost Burden:* \$25,794.

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 addresses listed above. Please refer to OMB Control Number 2060-0029 and EPA ICR Number 1069.07 in any correspondence.

Dated: August 21, 2002.

**Oscar Morales,**

*Director, Collection Strategies Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6632-7]

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

Availability of EPA comments prepared 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 12, 2002 (67 FR 17992).

#### Draft EISs

*ERP No. D-AFS-L65403-WA Rating LO, Quartzite Watershed Management Project, Watershed Management Activities including Vegetation Management, Riparian/Wetland Management and Road Management, Colville National Forest, Thomason Sherwood-Cottonwood Creek, Three Rivers Ranger District, Stevens County, WA.*

Summary: EPA expressed a lack of objections to the proposal.

*ERP No. D-COE-D01001-WV Rating 3, Spruce Mine No.1 Surface Mine Project, Extraction (i.e., Maximum Mineral Recovery Based on Economic Considerations and Landowner Commitments) of High Quality Coal Reserves, Blair, Logan County, WV.*

Summary: EPA raised issues regarding the nature and extent of adverse impacts to high quality streams and inadequate information provided on downstream biological resources and water quality. Issues regarding the in-depth examination of only one alternative and a recognized need to develop a more detailed mitigation plan were also expressed.

*ERP No. D-COE-G32055-TX Rating LO, Corpus Christi Ship Channel Improvements Project to Provide Navigation Safety and Efficiency of the*

*Deep Draft Navigation System, Corpus Christi and Nueces Bay, Nueces and San Patricio Counties, TX.*

Summary: EPA had no objections to the proposed project.

*ERP No. D-COE-G39036-TX Rating EC2, North Padre Island Storm Damage Reduction and Environmental Restoration Project, Construction of a Channel between the Laquna Madre and the Gulf of Mexico across North Padre Island referred to as Packery Channel Project, Nueces County, IL.*

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested additional information or clarification regarding project purpose and need, direct and secondary impacts of increased boater recreation and increased economic development, and overall project economic cost-benefit analysis.

*ERP No. D-NRS-G36154-OK Rating EC2, Rehabilitation of Aging Flood Control Dams in Oklahoma, Authorization and Funding, OK.*

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns and requested additional information regarding impacts to cultural resources, water quality, wetlands and fish and wildlife habitat.

*ERP No. DA-COE-A36164-OK Rating LO, Wister Lake and Poteau River, Operation and Maintenance Program for the Present Conservation Pool Level of 478.0 feet and to Provide Mitigation Measures, LeFlore County, OK and Scott County, AR.*

Summary: EPA has no objections to the selection of the preferred alternative.

*ERP No. DS-COE-E67003-FL Rating EC2, PCS Phosphate—White Springs Mine Continuation Mining Operations, Proposal to Discharge Dredged/Fill Material into 1,858 Acres of Jurisdictional Wetlands, Applications of "Life of Mine" Permit, Hamilton County, FL.*

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns that fine sands and clays dislodged during the mining process or introduced from clay setting areas and restoration activities might clog interstitial spaces of the soils and reduce conductivity of the underlying aquifers that feed tributary creeks. EPA requested timely consultations with FWS on protected species, a long term ground water monitoring program to document ground water conductivity, cumulative impacts on Suwannee River flows, and more discussion of phosphate mining on subsurface aquifer storage.

#### Final EISs

*ERP No. F-AFS-L65383-ID Hidden Cedar Project, Road Construction and*

*Watershed Restoration, Idaho Panhandle National Forest, St. Joe Ranger District, Benewah, Shoshone, Clearwater and Latah Counties, ID.*

Summary: The final EIS adequately discloses the impacts and satisfactorily responds to most of EPA's comments on the draft EIS. Therefore, EPA has no objection to the action as proposed.

*ERP No. F-NOA-F39039-IN Indiana Lake Michigan Coastal Program Document, Federal Approval and Implementation, Coastal Zone Management, Lake, Porter and LaPorte Counties, IN.*

Summary: EPA had no objection to the action as proposed.

*ERP No. F-NOA-K91009-00 Coral Reef Ecosystems of the Western Pacific Region, Fishery Management Plan including Amendments to Four Existing (FMPs), Amendment 7 Bottomfish and Seamount Groundfish Fisheries, Amendment 11 Crustaceans Fisheries, Amendment 5 Precious Corals Fisheries and Amendment 10 Pelagics Fisheries, HI, GU and AS.*

Summary: While the FEIS provided substantially more information regarding the potential conflicts with the Ecosystem Reserve and Refuges, EPA has environmental concern that the document still lacks information on the current management of coral reef ecosystem resources in the western Pacific region, and how conflicts among federal agencies regarding these resources will be resolved. EPA requested that a supplemental information document which clarifies these issues be prepared.

*ERP No. F-RUS-L08056-AK Southern Intertie Project, Construction and Operation of a new 138kV Transmission Line between the Kenai Peninsula and Anchorage, Right-of-Way Grant, Special-Use-Permit and U.S. Army COE Section 10 and 404 Permit Issuance, Kenai Peninsula to Anchorage, AK.*

Summary: While EPA has no objections to the action as proposed. EPA did recommended site-specific surveys of bird movements prior to final design and construction of the project to ensure appropriate mitigation measures (if needed) are identified.

Dated: August 27, 2002.

**Joseph C. Montgomery,**

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

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