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[FRL-8690-2; Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2007-0983]

2007 Interim Report of the U.S. EPA Global Change Research Program Assessment of the Impacts of Global Change on Regional U.S. Air Quality: A Preliminary Synthesis of Climate Change Impacts on O₃

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Public Comment
Period.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing a 45-day public comment period for the draft document titled, "2007 Interim Report of the U.S. EPA Global Change Research Program Assessment of the Impacts of Global Change on Regional U.S. Air Quality: A Preliminary Synthesis of Climate Change Impacts on O₃" (EPA/600/R-07/094). The document was prepared by the National Center for Environmental Assessment within EPA's Office of Research and Development.

EPA is releasing this draft document solely for the purpose of pre-dissemination peer review under applicable information quality guidelines. This document has not been formally disseminated by EPA. It does not represent and should not be construed to represent any Agency policy or determination. EPA will consider any public comments submitted in accordance with this notice when revising the document.

DATES: The 45-day public comment period begins July 10, 2008, and ends August 25, 2008. Technical comments should be in writing and must be received by EPA by August 25, 2008.

ADDRESSES: The draft "2007 Interim Report of the U.S. EPA Global Change Research Program Assessment of the Impacts of Global Change on Regional U.S. Air Quality: A Preliminary Synthesis of Climate Change Impacts on O₃" is available primarily via the Internet on the National Center for Environmental Assessment's home page under the Recent Additions and the Data and Publications menus at <http://www.epa.gov/ncea>. A limited number of paper copies are available from NCEA's Information Management Team; telephone: 703-347-8561; facsimile:

703-347-8691. If you are requesting a paper copy, please provide your name, mailing address, and the document title "2007 Interim Report of the U.S. EPA Global Change Research Program Assessment of the Impacts of Global Change on Regional U.S. Air Quality: A Preliminary Synthesis of Climate Change Impacts on O₃."

Comments may be submitted electronically via <http://www.regulations.gov>, by mail, by facsimile, or by hand delivery/courier. Please follow the detailed instructions provided in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the public comment period, contact the Office of Environmental Information Docket; telephone: 202-566-1752; facsimile: 202-566-1753; or e-mail: ORD.Docket@epa.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Summary of Information About the Project/Document

The "2007 Interim Report of the U.S. EPA Global Change Research Program Assessment of the Impacts of Global Change on Regional U.S. Air Quality: A Preliminary Synthesis of Climate Change Impacts on O₃" is intended to provide air quality managers and scientists a summary and synthesis of the scientific results that have emerged from the EPA ORD Global Change Research Program (ORD GCRP) assessment of the impact of global change on U.S. regional air quality. The report discusses the studies that have focused on the sensitivity of U.S. air quality to meteorological changes associated with a warming climate in large regions within the continental U.S.

The EPA recognizes that climate-air quality interactions occur at multiple scales (both spatial and temporal), and that an understanding of these interactions demands contributions from several scientific disciplines. The EPA ORD GCRP developed a research and assessment program that combines the resources and expertise of the ORD labs and centers toward the goal of developing the necessary scientific underpinnings. The ultimate goal of the Program is to provide air quality managers with the scientific information and tools needed to evaluate the implications of global change and to enhance their ability to consider global change in their decisions. The "2007

Interim Report of the U.S. EPA Global Change Research Program Assessment of the Impacts of Global Change on Regional U.S. Air Quality: A Preliminary Synthesis of Climate Change Impacts on O₃" is a preliminary step in that direction.

This report provides an update of the progress that has been made in applying climate and atmospheric chemistry models to investigate potential future meteorological effects on air quality. It does not include changes in air pollutant emissions other than those that are explicitly linked to meteorological variables and incorporated within the models (e.g., biogenic VOC emissions). In addition, it provides a preliminary interpretation of what this improved scientific understanding means for air quality management. Future assessment reports will cover the combined impacts of changing climate and air pollutant emissions on air quality. The program also plans to develop additional reports that focus on additional pollutants, including PM and mercury.

NCEA worked collaboratively with the EPA Office of Air and Radiation (OAR), and ORD's National Risk Management Research Laboratory (NRMRL), National Exposure Research Laboratory (NERL) and National Center for Environmental Research (NCER) on this report.

II. How To Submit Technical Comments to the Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2007-0983, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- E-mail: ORD.Docket@epa.gov
- Fax: 202-566-1753

- Mail: Office of Environmental Information (OEI) Docket (Mail Code: 2822T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. The phone number is 202-566-1752.

- Hand Delivery: The OEI Docket is located in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center, Room 3334 EPA West Building, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is 202-566-1744. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

If you provide comments by mail or hand delivery, please submit three copies of the comments. For attachments, provide an index, number pages consecutively with the comments, and submit an unbound original and three copies.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2007-0983. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. Comments received after the closing date will be marked "late," and may only be considered if time permits. It is EPA's policy to include all comments it receives in the public docket without change and to make the comments available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless a comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through <http://www.regulations.gov>, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

Docket: Documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other materials, such as copyrighted material, are publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at

the OEI Docket in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center.

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Agency Information Collection Activities OMB Responses

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

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: Rick Westlund (202) 566-1682, or e-mail at westlund.rick@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 Number 1698.07; EPA's WasteWise Program (Renewal); was approved 06/24/2008; OMB Number 2050-0139; expires 06/30/2011.

EPA ICR Number 1736.05; EPA's Natural Gas STAR Program (Renewal); was approved 07/01/2008; OMB Number 2060-0328; expires 07/31/2011.

EPA ICR Number 1800.05; Information Requirements for Locomotives and Locomotive Engines (Final Rule for Locomotive and Marine Engines); in 40 CFR part 1033, subparts C, D, E and G; was approved 07/03/2008; OMB Number 2060-0392; expires 07/31/2009.

EPA ICR Number 0559.10; Application for Reference and Equivalent Method Determination (Final Rule); in 40 CFR part 53; was approved 07/03/2008; OMB Number 2080-0005; expires 07/31/2011.

Short Term Extension of Expiration Date

EPA ICR Number 0922.07; Data Call-ins for the Special Review and Registration Review Programs; a short term extension of the expiration date was granted by OMB on 06/30/2008; OMB Number 2070-0057; expires 09/30/2008.

EPA ICR Number 1911.02; Data Acquisition for Anticipated Residue and Percent of Crop Treated; a short term extension of the expiration date was granted by OMB on 06/30/2008; OMB Number 2070-0164; expires 09/30/2008.

EPA ICR Number 1504.05; Data Generation for Pesticide Reregistration; a short term extension of the expiration date was granted by OMB on 06/30/2008; OMB Number 2070-0107; expires 09/30/2008.

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EPA ICR Number 2294.01; National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Plating and Polishing Area Sources (Proposed Rule); in 40 CFR part 63, subpart WWWWWW; OMB filed comments on 07/01/2008.

EPA ICR Number 2298.01; NESHAP for Nine Metal Fabrication and Finishing Source Categories (Proposed Rule); in 40 CFR part 63, subpart XXXXXX; OMB filed comments on 07/01/2008.

EPA ICR Number 2307.01; NSPS for Portland Cement Plants (Proposed Rule); in 40 CFR part 60, subpart F; OMB filed comments on 07/03/2008.

EPA ICR Number 0940.21; Ambient Air Quality Surveillance (Proposed Rule for Lead); OMB filed comments on 07/03/2008.

Dated: July 3, 2008.

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Proposed Past Cost Administrative Settlement Under Section 122(h)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act; In the Matter of New Carlisle Well Contamination Site, New Carlisle, Clark County, OH

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.