

*Title of Collection:* Guaranty Agencies Security Self-assessment and Attestation.

*OMB Control Number:* 1845–0134.

*Type of Review:* An extension of an existing information collection.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* State, Local, and Tribal Governments; Private Sector.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 24.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 7,584.

*Abstract:* This is a request for an extension of the approved information collection used by Federal Student Aid (FSA) to ensure that all data collected and managed by Guaranty Agencies (GAs) in support federal student financial aid programs is secure. FSA initiated a formal assessment program for ensuring the GAs have security protocols in place to protect the confidentiality and integrity of data entrusted to FSA by students and families. This assessment is designed to identify security deficiencies based on the federal standards described in the National Institute of Standards and Technology publications.

Dated: December 11, 2018.

**Kate Mullan,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Energy Information Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Extension With Changes

**AGENCY:** U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EIA submitted an information collection request for extension with changes as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection requests a three-year extension of its Commercial Buildings Energy Consumption Survey (CBECS), OMB Control Number 1905–0145. The first part of the collection gathers detailed information about buildings that are used for commercial purposes (such as building size, age, structural characteristics, operating hours, ownership, energy sources and uses, and the types of energy-related equipment used) from building owners, managers, and tenants. The second part of the collection assembles monthly

energy consumption and expenditures from the energy suppliers of the sampled buildings.

**DATES:** Comments on this information collection must be received no later than January 14, 2019. If you anticipate any difficulties in submitting your comments by the deadline, contact the DOE Desk Officer at (202) 395–4718.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to: DOE Desk Officer: Brandon DeBruhl, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503. *Brandon\_F\_DeBruhl@omb.eop.gov* and to Joelle Michaels, CBECS Survey Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, EI–22, 1000 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20585 *joelle.michaels@eia.gov*.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joelle Michaels (202) 586–8952, or email *joelle.michaels@eia.gov*. Form EIA–871 and its instructions can be viewed at <https://www.eia.gov/survey/>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

This information collection request contains

(1) *OMB No.:* 1905–0145;

(2) *Information Collection Request*

*Title:* Commercial Buildings Energy Consumption Survey (CBECS);

(3) *Type of Request:* Three-year extension with changes;

(4) *Purpose:* CBECS collects data on energy consumed in commercial buildings and the characteristics of the buildings. The surveys fulfill planning, analyses and decision-making needs of DOE, other federal agencies, state and local governments, and the private sector. Respondents are owners/managers of selected commercial buildings and their energy suppliers.

(4a) *Changes to Information Collection:* The proposed design, procedures, and forms for the 2018 CBECS reflect a number of changes from the 2012 CBECS. These changes include: First, the option for respondents to complete the CBECS using a self-administered online questionnaire; Second, Forms EIA–871B *Authorization Form*, EIA–871G *Worksheet 1: Characteristics, Energy Sources, and Equipment*, and EIA–871H *Worksheet 2: Energy Amounts Used and Dollars Spent* are no longer needed and are deleted; Third, most of the real-time automatic edits from the questionnaire are deleted to reduce interview time and burden; Fourth, building respondents will not be asked to report monthly energy data; and Fifth, numerous individual question changes, additions, and deletions are contained in Forms

EIA–871A, C, D, E, F, I and J to keep the survey content relevant to data user needs.

(5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5,718;

(6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 5,718;

(7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 2,618;

(8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* The estimated annualized cost of the burden hours is \$193,784 ((10,472 total burden hours \* \$74.02)/4 year collection cycle). EIA estimates that there are no additional costs to respondents associated with this survey other than the costs associated with the burden hours.

**Statutory Authority:** Section 13(b) of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974, Public Law 93–275, codified at 15 U.S.C. 772(b).

Signed in Washington, DC, on December 2, 2018.

**Nanda Srinivasan,**

*Director, Office of Survey Development and Statistical Integration, U.S. Energy Information Administration.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OPPT–2018–0605; FRL–9987–41]

### Request for Comments on the Experts Nominated To Be Considered for Ad Hoc Participation and Possible Membership on the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is requesting public review and welcomes comments on the scientific experts nominated to be considered for *ad hoc* participation and possible membership on the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC). Nominations that were received in response to a prior notice are being considered for *ad hoc* participation on an as needed basis for the TSCA SACC's peer reviews of the EPA's risk evaluations for chemical substances addressed under the TSCA. In addition, all nominees are under consideration for TSCA SACC membership to fulfill short term needs when a vacancy occurs on the chartered Committee.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before January 14, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2018–0605, by one of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

- **Mail:** Document Control Office (7407M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460–0001.

- **Hand Delivery:** To make special arrangements for hand delivery or delivery of boxed information, please follow the instructions at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/contacts.html>.

Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Todd Peterson, DFO, Office of Science Coordination and Policy (7201M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460–0001; telephone number: (202) 564–6428; email address: [peterson.todd@epa.gov](mailto:peterson.todd@epa.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **I. General Information**

##### *A. Does this action apply to me?*

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to persons who are or may be required to conduct testing and risk evaluations of chemical substances under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action.

##### *B. List of Nominees and Affiliations*

Brief biographical sketches of nominees to be considered for *ad hoc* participation and possible membership on the TSCA SACC are posted on the TSCA SACC website at <http://www.epa.gov/tsca-peer-review> or may be obtained from the OPPT Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

*C. What should I consider as I prepare my comments regarding nominees for EPA?*

1. **Submitting CBI.** Do not submit CBI information to EPA through [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or email. If your comments contain any information that

you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected, please contact the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** to obtain special instructions before submitting your comments.

2. **Comments regarding nominees to be considered for ad hoc participation and possible membership on the TSCA SACC.** As part of the broader process for developing a pool of candidates, the Office of Science Coordination and Policy (OSCP) staff solicited nominations from the public and stakeholder communities of prospective candidates for service as *ad hoc* reviewers and possibly members of TSCA SACC (“Request for Nominations of Experts To Consider for ad hoc Participation and Possible Membership on the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC)”, **Federal Register** 83:178 (September 13, 2018) p. 46487).

The list of nominees to be considered for *ad hoc* participation and possible membership on the TSCA SACC will be posted on the TSCA SACC website at <http://www.epa.gov/tsca-peer-review> or may be obtained from the OPPT Docket at <http://www.regulations.gov>. EPA requests that the public provide information on the nominees that will assist the Agency when selecting *ad hoc* participants and members for the TSCA SACC.

All comments must be provided to the docket number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2018–0605 on or before January 14, 2019. Please follow the instructions for electronic submission of comments to the docket available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Questions should be directed to the DFO listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** on or before January 14, 2019.

#### **II. Background**

The Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC) was established by EPA in 2016 under the authority of the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act, Public Law 114–182, 140 Stat. 448 (2016), and operates in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972. The SACC supports activities under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), 15 U.S.C. 2601 *et seq.*, the Pollution Prevention Act (PPA), 42 U.S.C. 13101 *et seq.*, and other applicable statutes. The SACC provides independent scientific advice and recommendations to the EPA on the scientific and technical aspects of risk assessments, methodologies, and pollution prevention measures and approaches for chemicals regulated under TSCA.

The SACC is comprised of experts in: Toxicology; environmental risk assessment; exposure assessment; and related sciences (e.g., synthetic biology, pharmacology, biotechnology, nanotechnology, biochemistry, biostatistics, PBPK modeling, computational toxicology, epidemiology, environmental fate, and environmental engineering and sustainability). The SACC currently consists of 26 members. When needed, the committee will be assisted in their reviews by *ad hoc* reviewers with specific expertise in the topics under consideration.

Through a prior **Federal Register** notice (“Request for Nominations of Experts to Consider for ad hoc Participation and Possible Membership on the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC)” (83 FR 46487, September 13, 2018), EPA sought nominations to create a pool of experts who can be available to the SACC to assist in reviews conducted by the Committee. EPA anticipates selecting experts from this pool, as needed, to assist the SACC in their review of EPA’s risk evaluations for the chemical substances addressed under the TSCA: 1,4-Dioxane, Asbestos; Cyclic Aliphatic Bromide Cluster (HBCD); 1-Bromopropane; Perchloroethylene; Trichloroethylene; Carbon Tetrachloride; Methylene Chloride; and *n*-Methylpyrrolidone.

In addition, EPA anticipates selecting from this pool of experts, as needed, to appoint SACC members to fulfill short term needs when a vacancy occurs on the Committee due to resignation or reasons other than expiration of a term.

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 2625 *et seq.*; 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2 *et seq.*

Dated: December 7, 2018.

**Stanley Barone, Jr.,**

*Acting Director, Office of Science Coordination and Policy.*

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[ER–FRL–9042–8]**

#### **Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability**

*Responsible Agency:* Office of Federal Activities, General Information 202–564–5632 or <https://www.epa.gov/nepa/>.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

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