

the pipeline over the amount of Kansas ad valorem tax refunds owed.

Any person desiring to comment on or make any protest with respect to the above-referenced petition should, on or before August 6, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, a motion to intervene or protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 and 385.211). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to the proceeding, or to participate as a party in any hearing therein, must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. MT98-14-000]

Warren Transportation, Inc.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

July 16, 1998.

Take notice that on July 13, 1998, Warren Transportation, Inc. (WTI), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the following proposed tariff sheet, with an effective date of August 14, 1998:

First Revised Sheet No. 190

WTI states that it is submitting this tariff sheet to clarify Section 22 of its tariff as a result of an order issued by the Commission in Docket No. MG98-9-000 on June 12, 1998. WTI states that because of the June 12 Order, it is filing to remove nonoperating personnel from the tariff provision that designates shared employees.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make

protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the commission and are available for public inspection in the public Reference Room.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6127-8]

Toxic Release Inventory; Submission of ICR No. 1704.04 to OMB; Agency Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Submission to OMB.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) entitled: Alternate Threshold for Low Annual Reportable Amounts, Toxic Chemical Release Reporting [EPA ICR No. 1704.04; OMB Control No. 2070-0143] has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to the OMB procedures in 5 CFR 1320.12. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated cost and burden.

The Agency is requesting that OMB renew for 3 years the existing approval for this ICR, which is scheduled to expire on August 31, 1998. A **Federal Register** notice announcing the Agency's intent to seek the renewal of this ICR and the 60-day public comment opportunity, requesting comments on the request and the contents of the ICR, was issued on December 24, 1997 (62 FR 67358). EPA received comments on this ICR during the comment period, and has addressed the comments in the body of the ICR submitted to OMB.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before August 21, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY

CONTACT: Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone on (202) 260-2740, by e-mail: "farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov," or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr/icr.htm> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1704.04.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 1704.04 and OMB Control No. 2070-0143, to the following addresses:

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Regulatory Information Division (Mailcode: 2137), 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20460; and to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20503.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Review Requested: This is a request to renew a currently approved information collection pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12.

ICR Numbers: EPA ICR No. 1704.04; OMB Control No. 2070-0143.

Current Expiration Date: Current OMB approval expires on August 31, 1998.

Title: Alternate Threshold for Low Annual Reportable Amounts, Toxic Chemical Release Reporting.

Abstract: EPCRA section 313 requires certain facilities manufacturing, processing or otherwise using certain toxic chemicals in excess of specified threshold quantities to report their environmental releases of such chemicals annually. Each such facility must file a separate report for each such chemical. In accordance with the authority in EPCRA, EPA has established an alternate threshold for those facilities with low amounts of a listed toxic chemical in wastes. A facility that otherwise meets the current reporting thresholds but estimates that the total amount of the chemical in production-related waste does not exceed 500 pounds per year, and that the chemical was manufactured, processed or otherwise used in an amount not exceeding 1 million pounds during the reporting year, can take advantage of reporting under the alternate threshold option for that chemical for that reporting year.

Each qualifying facility that chooses to apply the revised threshold must file the Form A (EPA Form 9350-2) in lieu of a complete TRI reporting Form R (EPA Form 9350-1). In submitting the Form A, the facility certifies that the sum of the amount of each EPCRA section 313 chemical or chemicals did not exceed 500 pounds in total production-related waste for the reporting year, and that each chemical was manufactured, processed or otherwise used in an amount not exceeding 1 million pounds during the reporting year. EPA estimates that using the alternate threshold may save reporting facilities up to 487,000 hours, with a dollar value of \$29 million, compared to the cost of reporting on Form R.

The primary function served by the submission of the Form A is to satisfy

the statutory requirement to maintain reporting on a substantial majority of releases for all listed toxic chemicals. Without the Form A, users of TRI data would not have access to any information on these chemicals. The Form A may also serve as a de facto range report, which may be useful to any party interested in amounts being handled at a particular facility or for broader statistical purposes. Additionally, the Form A provides compliance monitoring for enforcement programs and other interested parties with a means to track chemical management activities and verify overall compliance with the rule.

Responses to this collection of information are mandatory (see 40 CFR Part 372) and facilities subject to reporting must either submit a Form A or a Form R.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 67.8 hour per response for an estimated 13,157 respondents making one or more submissions of information. These estimates include 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. No person is required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for these regulations are displayed in 40 CFR Part 9.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those chemical facilities that manufacture, process or otherwise use certain toxic chemicals listed on the Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) and which are required, under section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA), to report annually to EPA their environmental releases of such chemicals.

Estimated No. of Respondents: 13,157.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 909,392 hours.

Frequency of Collection: Annual.

Changes in Burden Estimates: There is a decrease of about 82,000 hours in

the total estimated respondent burden as compared with that identified in the information collection request most recently approved by OMB, from 991,301 hours currently to an estimated 909,392 hours. This reflects downward adjustments made in calculating the number of eligible respondents and responses based on TRI reporting data from the 1996 reporting year (the most recent TRI data available). In addition EPA has modified the Form A to permit respondents to make multiple certifications on a single form, with an accompanying change in the number of estimated responses, producing another downward change in the burden to respondents.

According to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12, EPA has submitted this ICR to OMB for review and approval. Any comments related to the renewal of this ICR should be submitted within 30 days of this notice, as described above.

Dated: July 16, 1998.

Richard T. Westlund,
Acting Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6127-7]

Announcement of National Drinking Water Advisory Council Benefits Working Group; Open Meeting

Under Section 10(a)(2) of Public Law 92-423, "The Federal Advisory Committee Act," notice is hereby given that a conference call for the Benefits Working Group of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council (NDWAC) established under the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. S300f et seq.), will be held on August 11, 1998 from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. EDT. The conference call meeting location will be in the Carson Room at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Education Center, 401 M Street, SW, Washington DC 20460. The meeting is open to the public but conference lines and/or seating will be limited and access will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis.

The purpose of this conference call is to review a draft report of advice and recommendations to NDWAC, based on the discussions and presentations of the May 19-20, 1998 meeting of the working group. The meeting is open to the public to observe and statements

will be taken from the public as time allows.

For more information, please contact, John Bennett, Designated Federal Officer, Benefits Working Group, U.S. EPA, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (4607), 401 M Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. The telephone number is 202-260-0446, fax 202-260-3762, and e-mail address bennett.johnb@epamail.epa.gov.

Dated: July 16, 1998.

Charlene E. Shaw,
Designated Federal Officer, National Drinking Water Advisory Council.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-34127; FRL 5799-9]

Notice of Receipt of Requests for Amendments to Delete Uses in Certain Pesticide Registrations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 6(f)(1) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, EPA is issuing a notice of receipt of request for amendment by registrants to delete uses in certain pesticide registrations.

DATES: Unless a request is withdrawn, the Agency will approve these use deletions and the deletions will become effective on January 19, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: James A. Hollins, Office of Pesticide Programs (7502C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460. Office location for commercial courier, delivery, telephone number and e-mail: Rm. 216, Crystal Mall No. 2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-5761; e-mail: hollins.james@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

Section 6(f)(1) of FIFRA provides that a registrant of a pesticide product may at any time request that any of its pesticide registrations be amended to delete one or more uses. The Act further provides that, before acting on the request, EPA must publish a notice of receipt of any such request in the **Federal Register**. Thereafter, the Administrator may approve such a request.