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i. **FERC Contact:** Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Diane M. Murray at (202) 219-2682, or E-mail address: Diane.murray@ferc.fed.us.

j. **Deadline for filing comments and/or motions:** October 18, 1999.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Please include the docket number (DI99-9-000) on any comments or motions filed.

k. **Description of Project:** The site consists of: (1) An intake; (2) a 2,300-foot-long penstock; (3) a powerhouse with a total generating capacity of 100 kW; and appurtenant facilities.

When a Declaration of Intention is filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Federal Power Act requires the Commission to investigate and determine if the interests of interstate or foreign commerce would be affected by the project. The Commission also determines whether or not to project: (1) Would be located on a navigable waterway; (2) would occupy or affect public lands or reservations of the United States; (3) would utilize surplus water or water power from a government dam; or (4) if applicable, has involved or would involve any construction subsequent to 1935 that may have increased or would increase the project's head or generating capacity, or have otherwise significantly modified the project's pre-1935 design or operation.

1. **Locations of the Application:** A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. This filing may be viewed on <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h. above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of Commission.

Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the

requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", OR "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00617; FRL-6096-5]

Application for an Experimental Use Permit to Ship and Use a Pesticide for Experimental Purposes Only; Renewal of Information Collection and Request for Comments

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that EPA is seeking public comment on the following Information Collection Request (ICR): "Application for an Experimental Use Permit (EUP) to Ship and Use a Pesticide for Experimental Purposes Only (OMB Control No. 2070-0040; EPA No. 0276.09)." This is a request to renew an existing ICR that is currently approved and is due to expire November 30, 1999. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection activity and its expected burden and costs. Before submitting this ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval under the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the collection.

DATES: Written comments, identified by the docket control number "OPP-00617," must be received on or before November 15, 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" section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cameo Smoot, Office of Pesticide Programs, Mail Code 7506C, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, telephone: 703-305-5454, fax: 703-305-5884, e-mail: smoot.cameo@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does This Notice Apply to Me?

An application for an EUP may be submitted by any company or person wishing to generate information necessary to register a product under section 3 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) in accordance with the regulations found in 40 CFR 172.2(a). The applicant may be a potential registrant, an independent researcher or testing laboratory, or any similar agent or consultant of a manufacturer.

Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to the following:

Category	NAICS Code	SIC Codes	Examples of Potentially Affected Entities
Pesticide and other agricultural chemical manufacturing	325320	286—Industrial organic chemicals	Persons seeking an experimental use permit

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		287—Agricultural chemicals	

This table is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed in this table could also be affected. You or your business are affected by this action if you have a conditional pesticide registration with the Agency. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section.

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

A. Electronic Availability

Electronic copies of this document and the ICR are available from the EPA Home Page at the **Federal Register** - Environmental Documents entry for this document under "Laws and Regulations" (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>). You can easily follow the menu to find this **Federal Register** notice using the publication date or the **Federal Register** citation for this notice.

B. Fax-on-Demand

Using a faxphone call 202-401-0527 and select item 6075 for a copy of the ICR.

C. In Person or By Phone

If you have any questions or need additional information about this notice or the ICR referenced, please contact the person identified in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section.

In addition, the official record for this notice, including the public version, has been established under docket control number OPP-00617, (including comments and data submitted electronically as described below). A public version of this record, including printed, paper versions of any electronic comments, which does not include any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI), is available for inspection in the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) Public Docket, Rm. 119, CM2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The OPP Public Docket telephone number is 703-305-5805.

III. How Can I Respond to This Notice?

A. How and to Whom Do I Submit the Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. Be sure to identify the appropriate docket control number, OPP-00617, in your correspondence.

1. *By mail.* Submit written comments to: OPP Public Docket, Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver written comments to: OPP Public Docket, Public Information and Records Integrity Branch, Rm. 119, CM2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, Telephone: 703-305-5805.

3. *Electronically.* Submit your comments and/or data electronically by e-mail to: opp-docket@epa.gov. Please note that you should not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on standard computer disks in WordPerfect 5.1/6.1 or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket control number OPP-00617. Electronic comments on this notice may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

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

You may claim information that you submit in response to this notice 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. A copy of the comment that does not contain CBI must also be submitted for inclusion in the public record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public docket by EPA without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult with the technical person listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section.

C. What Information is EPA Particularly Interested in?

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of PRA, EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimates of the burdens of the proposed collections of information.

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

4. Minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated or electronic collection technologies or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

D. What Should I Consider When I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

We invite you to provide your views on the estimates provided, new approaches we haven't 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:

- Explain your views as clearly as possible.
- Describe any assumptions that you used.
- Provide solid technical information and/or data to support your views.
- If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate.
- Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
- Offer alternative ways to improve the collection activity.
- Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this notice.
- At the beginning of your comments (e.g., as part of the "Subject" heading), be sure to properly identify the document you are commenting on. You can do this by providing the docket control number assigned to the notice, along with the EPA and OMB ICR numbers, if available.

IV. What Information Collection Activity or ICR Does This Notice Apply to?

EPA is seeking comments on the following ICR:

Title: Application for an Experimental Use Permit (EUP) to Ship and Use a Pesticide for Experimental Purposes Only.

ICR numbers: EPA ICR No. 0276.09; OMB No. 2070-0040.

ICR status: This is a renewal of an existing ICR that is currently approved by OMB and is due to expire November 30, 1999. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information that is subject to approval under the PRA, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's information collections appear on the collection instruments or instructions, in the **Federal Register** notices for related rulemakings and ICR notices, and, if the collection is contained in a regulation, in a table of OMB approval numbers in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: This information collection program provides the EPA with the data necessary to determine whether to issue an EUP under section 5 of FIFRA, as amended. FIFRA requires that before a pesticide product may be distributed or sold in the U.S. it must be registered by EPA. However, section 5 authorizes EPA to issue EUP's which allow pesticide companies to temporarily ship pesticide products for experimental use for the purpose of gathering data necessary to support the application for registration of a pesticide product. In general, EUP's are either issued for a pesticide not registered with the Agency or for a registered pesticide for a use not registered with the Agency.

The information collected and reported under an EUP is a summary of that which is routinely submitted in connection with registration. The EUP allows for large scale field testing, if necessary, in order to collect sufficient data to support registration. An EUP is not required if the person conducting the tests does not expect to receive benefits in pest control.

EPA Form 8570-17, Application for an Experimental Use Permit to Ship and Use a Pesticide for Experimental Purposes Only, is filed by the prospective registrant for a permit to generate information or data necessary to register a pesticide under section 3 of FIFRA. This information from the applicant is necessary in order to grant and effectively monitor the EUP. Beyond the information as supplied on EPA Form 8570-17, is a final report on

the results of the experimental program which includes information such as: Amount of the product applied; the crops or sites treated; any observed adverse effects; any adverse weather conditions which may have inhibited the program; the goals achieved; and the disposition of containers, unused pesticide material, and affected food/feed commodities. If the food/feed commodities treated under the terms of an experimental use permit are to be shipped in commerce, the applicant must also submit a petition for temporary tolerance pursuant to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA).

V. What are EPA's Burden and Cost Estimates for This ICR?

Under the PRA, "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. For this collection it 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.

The ICR provides a detailed explanation of this estimate, which is only briefly summarized in this notice. The annual public burden for the Application for an Experimental Use Permit (EUP) to Ship and Use a Pesticide for Experimental Purposes Only program is estimated to average 10.10 hours per application. The following is a summary of the estimates taken from the ICR:

Respondents/affected entities: EUP applicants.

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 75.

Frequency of response: Only when an application is made.

Estimated total/average number of responses for each respondent: 1.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 757.5.

Estimated total annual burden costs: \$61,297.50.

VI. Are There Changes in the Estimates from the Last Approval?

Yes. The change in respondent burden hours, from 1,262.50 to 757.50

hours per year is a result of the estimated reduction in the number of annual respondents, from 125 to 75. The change in annual respondent cost is a result of the estimated increase in hourly rates.

VII. What is the Next Step in the Process for This ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the person listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Information collection requests.

Dated: September 2, 1999.

Susan H. Wayland,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6439-4]

Request for Applications for Essential Use Exemptions to the Production and Import Phaseout of Ozone Depleting Substances Under the Montreal Protocol

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Through this notice, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is requesting applications for consideration at the Twelfth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (the Protocol) to be held in 2000, for exemptions to the production and import phaseout in 2001 and subsequent years for ozone-depleting substances (including halons 1211 and 1301, CFC-11, CFC-12, CFC-113, CFC-114, CFC-115, CFC-13, CFC-111, CFC-112, CFC-211, CFC-212, CFC-213, CFC-214, CFC-215, CFC-216, CFC-217, carbon tetrachloride, and methyl chloroform).