

states that: (1) The prompt publication of the August 1 Order in the **Federal Register** had the effect of advancing the effective date of the revised S&CP Document; (2) it would be preferable if the effective date would coincide with the end of a billing cycle; and (3) scheduling customer and operator training is more difficult at the end of the calendar year. For these reasons, AEP and the How Group each request that the Commission adopt a March 1, 2001 effective date for implementation of the revised OASIS S&CP Document.³ We find these concerns reasonable and will grant the requested extension.

To allow a smooth transition, the How Group also requests that the Commission allow transmission providers to shut down their OASIS website operations for no more than twelve hours prior to midnight, local time, on February 28, 2001, and allow them to conduct transactions by telephone or facsimile as they transfer from OASIS S&CP Document, Version 1.3, to Version 1.4.

The Commission orders:

(A) The requests of AEP and the How Group for an extension, until March 1, 2001, for the industry to comply with the OASIS S&CP Document (Version 1.4) is hereby granted.

(B) The How Group's request on behalf of the industry for a twelve hour transition period on February 28, 2001, is hereby granted, as discussed in the body of this order.

By the Commission.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 11730-000]

Black River Limited Partnership; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

October 19, 2000.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 F.R. 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application

for an original license for the existing and operating Alverno Hydroelectric Project, located on the Black River in the townships of Aloha, Benton, and Grant in Michigan (Cheboygan County) and has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project.

Copies of the EA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch, Room 2-A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The EA may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.us/online/rims.htm>. Please call (202) 208-2222 for assistance.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Room 1-A, Washington, DC 20426. Please affix "Alverno Hydroelectric Project No. 11730-000" to the top page of all comments. For further information, contact John Costello at (202) 219-2914 or john.costello@ferc.fed.us. Beginning November 1, 2000, comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6891-5]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Federal Operating Permit Rules

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: Part 71 Federal Operating Permit Rules, OMB Control Number 2060-0336, expiration date October 31, 2000. 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 November 24, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 1713.04 and OMB Control No. 2060-0336, to the following addresses: Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Collection Strategies Division (Mail Code 2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., 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, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the ICR contact Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by e-mail at Farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov, or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1713.04. For technical questions about the ICR contact Scott Voorhees at (919) 541-5348 or by e-mail at voorhees.scott@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Part 71 Federal Operating Permit Rules (OMB Control No. 2060-0336; EPA ICR No. 1713.04) expiring October 31, 2000. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The part 71 program is a Federal operating permits program that will be implemented for sources located in Indian Country, Outer Continental Shelf sources, and also in those areas without acceptable part 70 programs. Title V of the Clean Air Act imposes on States the duty to develop, administer and enforce operating permit programs which comply with title V and requires EPA to stand ready to issue Federal operating permits when States fail to perform this duty.

Pursuant to regulations promulgated by EPA on February 19, 1999 (64 FR 8247) EPA has authority to establish part 71 programs within Indian Country and EPA began administering the program in Indian country on March 22, 1999. Since many Indian tribes lack the resources and capacity to develop operating permit programs, EPA will administer and enforce part 71 programs in the areas that comprise Indian Country in order to protect the air quality of areas under tribal jurisdiction.

The EPA will also issue permits to "outer continental shelf" (OCS) sources (sources located in offshore waters of the United States) pursuant to the requirements of section 328(a) of the Act. The EPA will also establish a part 71 program for a State when interim approval of a State program expires, if corrective program provisions have not

³ The How Group also informs us that the transmission providers plan to display certain information on their respective OASIS websites on February 1, 2001, for informational purposes. We have no objection to these postings being made.

been adopted and submitted to EPA in time for full approval. Since the suspension of the Federal program requirement runs out with the expiration of interim approval, the requirement that EPA promulgate a Federal program is effective immediately upon that expiration.

The EPA has the authority to establish a partial part 71 program in limited geographical areas of a state if EPA has approved a part 70 program (or combination of part 70 programs) for the remaining areas of the State. The EPA will promulgate a part 71 program for a permitting authority if EPA finds that a permitting authority is not adequately administering or enforcing its approved program and it fails to correct the deficiencies that precipitated EPA's finding.

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 May 1, 2000 (65 FR 25322); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and record keeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 4.8 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: Major air pollution sources subject to part 71 programs.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 95.

Frequency of Response: Semi-annually, annually, and on occasion.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 15,323 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Capital, O&M Cost Burden: \$0.

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 EPA ICR No. 1713.04 and OMB Control No. 2060-0336 in any correspondence.

Dated: October 18, 2000.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-00672A; FRL-6749-8]

National Action Plan for Alkyl-lead; Notice of Availability and Solicitation of Public Comment; Reopening of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; Reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: The US EPA has extended the time period in which it will accept public comments on the National Action Plan for Alkyl-lead. EPA has developed a draft National Action Plan to promote further voluntary reductions of use and exposure to alkyl-lead compounds. Alkyl-lead is used as a fuel additive to reduce "knock" in combustion engines and also to help lubricate internal engine components and protect intake and exhaust valves against recession. This plan was developed pursuant to the Agency's Multimedia Strategy for Priority Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic (PBT) Pollutants. This Notice announces the expansion of the availability of the Alkyl-lead National Action Plan for public review and comment.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket control number OPPTS-00672A, must be received on or before December 26, 2000.

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.** To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPPTS-00672A in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information contact: Barbara Cunningham, Director, Office of

Program Management and Evaluation, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (7401), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

For technical information contact: Paul Matthai, Pollution Prevention Division (7409), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 260-3385; e-mail address: matthai.paul@epa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. 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 make, distribute, or use racing and aviation gasoline. 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. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

II. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document or Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/pbt>. To access this document, on the PBT Home Page select "Strategy and Action Plans."

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPPTS-00672A. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any other information related to this action, including any information claimed as confidential business information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, North East Mall Rm. B-607, Waterside Mall, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The Center is open from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding