

agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the use of pesticides on food. Since other entities also may 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 person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

*B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and 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/>. On the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations," "Regulations and Proposed Rules," and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register—Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. In addition, copies of the methidathion interim risk management decision documents released to the public may also be accessed at <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/reregistration/status.htm>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP-2002-0064. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, and 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 Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Room 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202-4501, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

## II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

EPA has assessed the risks of methidathion and reached an Interim Reregistration Eligibility Decision (interim RED) for this OP. Provided that

risk mitigation measures are adopted, methidathion fits into its own risk cup—its individual, aggregate risks are within acceptable levels. Methidathion is also eligible for reregistration, pending a full reassessment of the cumulative risk from all OP pesticides. Used on a variety of agricultural crops, predominantly alfalfa, citrus, and cotton, methidathion residues in food and drinking water do not pose risk concerns. Methidathion has no residential uses. EPA considered the mitigation proposal submitted by the technical registrant, as well as comments and mitigation ideas from other interested parties, and has decided on a number of label amendments (restrictions) to mitigate risks of concern posed by the uses of methidathion. With the implementation of these mitigation measures, methidathion's worker and ecological risks also will be below levels of concern for reregistration.

The methidathion interim RED was made through the OP pesticide pilot public participation process, which increases transparency and maximizes stakeholder involvement in EPA's development of risk assessments and risk management decisions. The pilot public participation process was developed as part of the EPA/USDA Tolerance Reassessment Advisory Committee, which was established in April 1998, as a subcommittee under the auspices of EPA's National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology. A goal of the pilot public participation process is to find a more effective way for the public to participate at critical junctures in the Agency's development of OP pesticide risk assessments and risk management decisions. EPA and USDA began implementing this pilot process in August 1998, to increase transparency and opportunities for stakeholder consultation.

EPA worked extensively with affected parties to reach the decisions presented in the interim RED, which concludes the pilot public participation process for methidathion. As part of the pilot public participation process, numerous opportunities for public comment were offered as the interim RED was being developed. The methidathion interim RED is issued in final, without a formal public comment period. The OP Public Regulatory Docket remains open; however, and any comments submitted in the future will be placed in the docket.

The revised risk assessments for methidathion were released to the public through a notice published in the **Federal Register** of December 8, 1999 (OPP-34213), (FRL-6399-2).

EPA's next step under the FQPA is to consider available information on the basis of cumulative risk encompassing all of the OP pesticides, sharing a common mechanism of toxicity. The tolerance reassessment decision for methidathion cannot be considered final until the cumulative risks for all of the OPs is considered. The Agency may need to pursue further risk management measures at that time.

## List of Subjects

Environmental protection, chemicals, insecticides, acaricides, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: May 6, 2002.

Lois Rossi,

Director Special Review and Reregistration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7212-3]

### Water Quality Trading Policy; Proposed Policy

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** Today's notice invites comment on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) proposed Policy on Water Quality Trading ("proposed policy"). The purpose of the proposed policy is to signal EPA support for soundly designed water quality trading programs developed by States and Tribes. Another purpose is to propose program components that EPA believes are appropriate for trading programs to be soundly designed and to operate successfully. In addition, the proposed policy is intended to address issues left open and limitations encountered implementing projects under EPA's January 1996 Effluent Trading Policy and May 1996 draft Framework for Watershed-Based Trading (EPA 800-R-96-001).

Water quality trading is a voluntary, incentive-based approach to more efficiently protect and restore the nation's waters. The proposed policy addresses trading to maintain water quality in unimpaired waters, trading in impaired waters before development of a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) and trading to meet TMDLs. While the focus is on nutrients and sediment, the policy also discusses the potential for trading other pollutants under certain circumstances.

The proposed policy is available for review at [www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/trading.htm](http://www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/trading.htm).

**DATES:** The Agency requests comments on the proposed policy posted at [www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/trading.htm](http://www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/trading.htm). Comments must be received or post-marked by midnight on July 1, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** The proposed policy is available for review at [www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/trading.htm](http://www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/trading.htm). Please send an original and three copies of your written comments and enclosures to W-02-07 Comment Clerk, Water Docket (MC4101), EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. Comments may also be submitted electronically to [ow-docket@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:ow-docket@epamail.epa.gov). Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII, WP5.1, WP6.1 or WP8 file avoiding the use of special characters and form of encryption. Electronic comments must be identified by the docket number W-02-07. Comments and data will also be accepted on disks in WP 5.1, 6.1, 8 or ASCII file format. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries. Hand deliveries should be delivered to: EPA's Water Docket at 401 M Street, SW., Room EB57, Washington, DC 20460.

The record for this proposed policy has been established under docket number W-02-07, and includes supporting documentation as well as printed, paper versions of electronic comments. The record is available for inspection from 9 to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays at the Water Docket, EB 57, USEPA Headquarters, 401 M St SW., Washington, DC 20460. For access to docket materials, please call 202/260-3027 to schedule an appointment.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Batchelor, EPA, Office of Water, (202) 564-5764, [batchelor.david@epa.gov](mailto:batchelor.david@epa.gov), or Lynda Hall Wynn, EPA, Office of Water, (202) 564-0472, [wynn.lynda@epa.gov](mailto:wynn.lynda@epa.gov).

Dated: May 9, 2002.

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

May 8, 2002.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before June 14, 2002. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to Judith Boley Herman, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C804, 445 12th Street, SW, DC 20554 or via the Internet to [jboley@fcc.gov](mailto:jboley@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Judith Boley Herman at 202-418-0214 or via the Internet at [jboley@fcc.gov](mailto:jboley@fcc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0835.

*Title:* Ship Inspection Certificates.

*Form No.:* FCC Forms 806, 824, 827, and 829.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, state, local or tribal government.

*Number of Respondents:* 3,770 respondents; 1,210 responses annually. *Estimated Time Per Response:* .084 hours (average).

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion, annual and five year reporting requirements, recordkeeping requirement and third party disclosure requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 102 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* The Communications Act requires the inspection of small passenger ships at least once every five years. The Safety Convention (which the United States is signatory) also requires an annual inspection, however, permits an Administrator to entrust the inspections to either surveyors nominated for the purpose or to organizations recognized by it. Therefore, the United States can have other entities conduct the radio inspection of vessels for compliance with the Safety Convention. The Commission adopted rules that require this inspection to be conducted by a FCC-licensed technician. This requirement reduces administrative burden on the public and the Commission. The purpose of the information is to ensure that the inspection was successful so that passengers and crew members of certain United States ships have access to distress communications in case of an emergency.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene H. Dortch,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission, Comments Requested

May 6, 2002.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that