

necessary and appropriate, for controlling the discharge of sewage and graywater from cruise ships covered by Title XIV. Title XIV provides that the authority of sections 308(a) and 308(b) of the Clean Water Act, regarding records, reports, and inspections, shall be available to carry out the provisions of the Act (section 1413). EPA is in the process of preparing an ICR for OMB approval for gathering data in support of this rulemaking. The ICR would request approval to collect information from cruise lines and each cruise ship covered by Title XIV.

The information to be gathered with a survey questionnaire would include: general information regarding the cruise line and each of the cruise vessels authorized to carry for hire 500 or more passengers in waters in and near Alaska (e.g., size, capacity, ports of call); description of sources of graywater; ship-board plumbing systems; data describing the effectiveness of sewage and graywater treatment systems and marine sanitation devices (MSDs) operating on these large vessels at removing pollutants of concern; costs of these systems; pollution prevention programs and management practices; information pertinent to environmental assessment; and financial information and data necessary for economic impact analysis. When possible, EPA would use available information to complete answers to some questions. In these cases, the respondent would be asked to verify the information and update it if necessary. The survey questionnaire would provide instructions on the procedures for making CBI claims, if necessary, and the respondents would be informed of the rules governing protection of CBI, obtained under the Clean Water Act, for information that warrants such claims.

In a related effort that would not be covered by the Paperwork Reduction Act, EPA intends to sample and analyze wastewaters from three to five yet-to-be selected vessels operating in Alaska during the summer of 2004. The purpose of this sampling would be to characterize the on-board performance of various sewage and graywater treatment systems. EPA would like to solicit comments on this sampling effort. Subsequent to the publication of this notice, EPA intends to consult with cruise lines and other stakeholders to select technologies and vessels to be sampled, and will make specific information for this activity available for further public comment in the second **Federal Register** notice for the survey ICR.

EPA also intends to continue to supplement these primary sources by

gathering additional publicly available information and data from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), the cruise ship industry, and other stakeholders.

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 in 40 CFR are listed in 40 CFR part 9.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: EPA estimates that 12 cruise line operators would respond to the survey for each of the 32 vessels operating in Alaska. EPA estimates it would take an average of approximately 48 hours to complete and review responses to the survey questionnaire and associated data submissions for each cruise ship that is certified by the U.S. Coast Guard to discharge continuously in the waters in and near Alaska under 33 CFR 159.309. This estimate includes the burden for verifying and updating "draft" responses provided by EPA to a portion of the questions. EPA estimates that the total burden for cruise lines operating the 18 vessels certified to discharge continuously under 33 CFR 159.309 would be approximately 864 hours, or \$34,000 assuming an average labor rate for the likely range of personnel involved in responding.

For the remaining 14 ships that do *not* have wastewater treatment systems authorized to discharge continuously, EPA estimates it would take an average of approximately 16 hours to complete and review responses to the survey questionnaire. EPA estimates that the total burden for these 14 vessels would be approximately 224 hours, or \$9,000

assuming an average labor rate for the likely range of personnel involved in responding.

EPA estimates that the total burden to the 12 cruise lines operating 32 vessels for responding to the survey questionnaire would be approximately 1088 hours, or \$43,000. EPA estimates that there would be no start up or capital cost associated with responding to the surveys described above.

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.

Dated: January 20, 2004.

Suzanne E. Schwartz,
Director, Oceans and Coastal Protection Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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EPA Public Meeting: Market Enhancement Opportunities for Water-Efficient Products; Notice of Change in Meeting Location

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency is hosting a one-day public meeting to discuss market enhancement opportunities for water-efficient products. EPA's goal is to bring together stakeholders from Federal, state and local governments; utilities; manufacturers; building trade associations; consumer groups; and other interested parties to exchange information and views on promoting water-efficient products in the marketplace. The focus of the February meeting will be on landscape irrigation products. The first meeting was held in Washington, DC on October 9, 2003 and

the second was held in Austin, TX on January 15, 2004. One additional public meeting will be held in Seattle, WA in April; notice will be provided on a location and time when available.

The meeting will consist of several panel discussions, and is open to the public. The audience will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments at the conclusion of the meeting.

DATES: The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on February 17, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Wyndham Phoenix, 50 East Adams Street, Phoenix, AZ 85004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For more information on this meeting, please see EPA's Water Efficiency Web Page at www.epa.gov/owm/water-efficiency/index.htm. To register online from the Water Efficiency Program page, click on the registration form link. You may also register by contacting ERG, Inc. by phone (781-674-7374), or by downloading the registration form and sending the completed form to ERG via fax at 781-674-2906 or mail to ERG, Conference Registration, 110 Hartwell Avenue, Lexington, MA 02421-3136. Seating is limited, therefore please register or request special accommodations no later than February 10, 2004.

Dated: January 23, 2004.

James A. Hanlon,
Director, Office of Wastewater Management.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Availability and Opportunity To Comment on the "Draft CERCLA Model Application/Information Request for Service Station Dealers" for Section 114(c) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA); Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of availability and opportunity for public comment; notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing a 60-day public comment period for the document entitled "Draft Model CERCLA Application/Information Request for Service Station Dealers." EPA also is announcing a public

meeting to discuss questions and comments on the draft model document.

DATES: Comments on the "Draft Model CERCLA Application/Information Request for Service Station Dealers" must be received by April 5, 2004. The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 3, 2004 from 1 to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent by e-mail to boushell.susan@epa.gov, mailed to Susan Boushell, Office of Site Remediation Enforcement (Mail Code 2273A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20006, or delivered to Susan Boushell, Ariel Rios South Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 6233Q, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 564-2173. The public meeting will be held in room 6226 of EPA's Ariel Rios South Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Boushell, EPA's Office of Site Remediation Enforcement, (202) 564-2173 or boushell.susan@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under CERCLA Section 114(c), certain service station dealers may be exempt from liability under section 107(a)(3) or 107(a)(4) for a release or a threatened release of recycled oil. In 2002, EPA issued a memorandum entitled "Use of CERCLA Section 114(c) Service Station Dealers Exemption," which discusses the scope of the exemption and encourages EPA Regions to consider its application at sites involving used oil. A copy of this memorandum may be found on EPA's Web page at <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/policies/cleanup/superfund/serv-sta-exemp-mem.pdf>.

EPA currently is developing a model CERCLA application/information request which is focused specifically on the service station dealer industry. This targeted application/information request generally would be used in lieu of a more general information request for any party EPA has reason to believe may be eligible for the service station dealer exemption. EPA believes the model document would provide an efficient method for gathering the information necessary to decide which parties it should or should not treat as potentially responsible parties (PRPs) at a particular Superfund site.

At some sites, EPA will not have sufficient information regarding the identities of potential service station dealers until after a more general request for information has been issued to parties at the site. At those sites where EPA has reason to believe there

may be service station dealers (e.g., a waste oil recycling facility), the Agency would include a statement in the general information request or general notice letter (whichever is sent first) that a party may request the targeted application/information request for service station dealers.

A copy of the "Draft Model CERCLA Application/Information Request for Service Station Dealers" is published below and will be available on the Internet at <http://cfpub.epa.gov/compliance/resources/policies/cleanup/superfund/ssde-draftmod-104e-mem.pdf> for review and comment by interested parties. The public meeting will include a brief overview of the draft model, followed by a question, answer and comment period. Those planning to attend the meeting should call Susan Boushell at (202) 564-2173 by Thursday, February 26, 2004, so their names can be added to a security list.

After EPA considers and incorporates, as appropriate, comments received during the public review process, EPA will publish a notice of availability of the final model application/information request in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: January 29, 2004.

Susan Bromm,
Director, Office of Site Remediation Enforcement.

Draft Model CERCLA Application/Information Request for Service Station Dealers

[Date]

Certified Mail

Return Receipt Requested

[Recipient Name]

[Recipient Address]

Re: Application/Information Request for the Service Station Dealer Exemption

Dear [Recipient]:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is currently working to clean up the [name] Site located in [city, state] under the federal Superfund program. Superfund is a program administered by EPA that is designed to clean up hazardous substances that may pose a threat to human health or the environment. A Site Information Sheet describing the history, conditions and EPA's efforts at the [name] Site is attached to this letter.

EPA is sending this letter to you because EPA has reason to believe that you or your business may have sent