

part 745, subpart E). Respondents may claim all or part of a notice confidential. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14 and 40 CFR part 2.

#### 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 this collection of information is estimated to average 0.96 hours per response. The following is a summary of the estimates taken from the ICR:

*Respondents/affected entities:*  
3,046,000.  
*Estimated total number of potential respondents:* 3,046,000.  
*Frequency of response:* On occasion.  
*Estimated average number of responses for each respondent:* 5.  
*Estimated total annual burden hours:*  
2,938,546.  
*Estimated total annual burden costs:*  
\$95,464,291.

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

There is a net increase of 606,949 hours (from 2,331,597 hours to 2,938,546 hours) in the total estimated respondent burden compared with that identified in the information collection request most recently approved by OMB. This increase is attributable to changes in disclosure burden with the current renewal assuming a higher disclosure burden for the rule. This increase is offset in part by decreases in start-up burden resulting from the elimination of start-up burden estimates for existing renovators and rental property managers (but not new entrants to these occupations) and in the

estimated number of renovation events in the current renewal compared to the existing information collection.

#### 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 technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: December 22, 2000.

**Susan H. Wayland,**

*Acting Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.*

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6926-9]

#### Petition for Secondary National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Nitrogen Dioxide, Sulfur Dioxide, and Fine Particulate Matter and Related Request

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On August 9, 2000 (65 FR 48699), EPA published a notice announcing receipt of a petition for rulemaking under section 109 of the Clean Air Act (CAA), to promulgate revised secondary national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for pollutants associated with the formation of acid rain, including nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), and fine particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>). The petition was submitted by representatives of the States of New York, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Vermont in a letter to the EPA Administrator, dated October 26, 1999. In that letter, the States request EPA to address what they assert to be a wide range of adverse environmental effects associated with

these pollutants through the mechanism of revised secondary NAAQS. In addition, EPA has received a related request for rulemaking from the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) in a letter to the EPA Administrator, dated July 19, 2000, to address many of the same adverse environmental effects associated with the same types of air pollutants, and with ozone (O<sub>3</sub>) that DOI asserts are occurring in national parks and wilderness areas.

To consider and respond to this petition and related requests properly, EPA is reviewing relevant scientific information and consulting with the public and potentially affected stakeholders to ensure that decisions in response to these requests are based on the best available information. By this action, EPA is extending the comment period to give the public additional time to review this petition for rulemaking from the States and this request from DOI and to submit public comments to EPA.

**DATES:** Comments and associated information and analyses should be submitted on or before April 2, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** You may comment in various ways:

*On paper.* Send paper comments (in duplicate, if possible) to the Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center (6102), Attention Docket No. A-2000-36, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

*Electronically.* Send electronic comments to EPA at: *A-and-R-Docket@epa.gov*. We accept comments as e-mail attachments or on disk. Either way, they must be in Wordperfect 5.1, 6.0, Corel 8, or ASCII file format. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Be sure to identify all comments by Docket No. A-2000-36.

*Public Inspection.* Docket No. A-2000-36 containing the letters and related information is available for public inspection and copying between 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays at the Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center (6102), 401 M Street, SW, Room M-1500, Washington, DC 20460, phone 202-260-7548, fax 202-260-4400. A reasonable fee for copying may be charged.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David J. McKee, MD-15, Air Quality Strategies and Standards Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541-5288, e-mail *mckee.dave@epa.gov*; or Geoffrey L. Wilcox, Mail Code 2344A,

Office of General Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460, telephone (202) 564-5601, e-mail: [wilcox.geoffrey@epa.gov](mailto:wilcox.geoffrey@epa.gov).

Dated: December 20, 2000.

**John S. Seitz,**

*Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6927-5]

### FY2001-2002 USEPA Great Lakes National Program Office Request for Preproposals

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)—Great Lakes National Program Office.

**ACTION:** Notice of funding availability.

**SUMMARY:** EPA's Great Lakes National Program Office (GLNPO) is now requesting the submission of preproposals for GLNPO funding through the "FY2001-2002 USEPA Great Lakes National Program Office Request for Preproposals" (RFP). The RFP solicits preproposals for assistance projects in the areas of Contaminated Sediments, Pollution Prevention and Reduction, Ecological (Habitat) Protection and Restoration, Invasive Species, Indicator Development, and Emerging Issues.

**DATES:** The deadline for submission of preproposals is February 16, 2001.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The RFP is available on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/glnpo/fund/2001guid/>. It is also available from Lawrence Brail (312-886-7474/[brail.lawrence@epa.gov](mailto:brail.lawrence@epa.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mike Russ, EPA-GLNPO, G-17J, 77 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60604 (312-886-4013/[russ.michael@epa.gov](mailto:russ.michael@epa.gov)).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** USEPA's Great Lakes National Program Office is targeting a total of \$3.15 million to award in the summer and fall of FY 2001 for Great Lakes projects pertaining to: Contaminated Sediments; Pollution Prevention and Reduction (Binational Toxics Strategy); Ecological (Habitat) Protection and Restoration; Invasive Species; Indicator Development; and Strategic or Emerging Issues. Indicator Development is a new category, building upon work done through the State of the Lakes Ecosystem Conferences. Assistance (through grants, cooperative agreements, and interagency

agreements) is available pursuant to Clean Water Act section 104(b)(3) for activities in the Great Lakes Basin and in support of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement. State pollution control agencies, interstate agencies, other public or nonprofit private agencies, institutions, and organizations are eligible to apply. Potential applicants can find the Request for Preproposals, including evaluation criteria and the Preproposal development and submittal program, on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/glnpo/fund/2001guid/>.

Dated: December 20, 2000.

**Gary V. Gulezian,**

*Director, Great Lakes National Program Office.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission for Extension Under Delegated Authority, Comments Requested.

December 22, 2000.

**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 March 5, 2001. 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 Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1 A-804, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Les Smith at (202) 418-0217 or via the Internet at [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Approval Number:* 3060-0484.

*Title:* Amendment of the Part 63 of the Commission's Rules to Provide for Notification of Common Carriers of Service Disruptions—Section 63.100.

*Form No.:* None.

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

*Number of Respondents:* 52.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 5 hours.

*Total Annual Burden:* 1040 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* \$0.

*Needs and Uses:* Section 63.100 of the Commission's rules requires that "any local exchange or interexchange common carrier that operates transmission or switching facilities and provides access service or interstate or international telecommunications service that experiences an outage on any facilities which it owns or operates must notify the Commission if such service outage continues for 30 or more minutes. An initial and a final outage report is required for each outage. The reports enable us to monitor developments affecting telecommunications reliability; to serve as a source of information for the public; to encourage and, where appropriate, assist in dissemination of information to those affected; and to take immediate steps, as needed, and after analyzing the information submitted, to determine what, if any, other action is required.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0226.

*Title:* Modification of Licenses—90.135(d) and (e).

*Form No.:* N/A.

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

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, and State, local or Tribal Government.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,656.

*Frequency of Response:* Reporting on occasion.

*Total Annual Burden:* 276 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* Rules requires licensees who change certain