

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) renewal has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: National Estuary Program, OMB Control Number 2040-0138, expiring 03/31/96. 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 March 25, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL:

Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 1500.03.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title: National Estuary Program (OMB Control No. 2040-0138; EPA ICR No. 1500.03) expiring 03/31/96. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Under the National Estuary Program, EPA collects information from the participating State or local agency which will receive funds under section 320 of the Clean Water Act. The regulations requiring this information are found at 40 CFR Part 35. Prospective recipients apply to receive grant funds to carry out a three to five-year program resulting in the completion of a Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan for an estuary.

To continue to receive grant funds, grantees must submit an annual workplan to EPA. EPA provides guidance on how to prepare the workplan and issues planning targets to each grantee. The workplan is the only information required from the grantee beyond that which is required in the standard government grant application. It provides the basis for the scope of work written into the grant agreement and consists of two parts: progress on projects funded previously, and new projects proposed with dollar amounts and completion dates. Once incorporated into the grant agreement, the workplan is used to track performance.

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 Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection

of information was published on 10/23/95 (60 FR 54349); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 132 hours per respondent. 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: States.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 28.

Frequency of Response: Annual.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 3,700 hours.

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 following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1500.03 and OMB Control No. 2040-0138 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy, Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2136), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503

Dated: February 14, 1996.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division.
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Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review; Standards of Performance for Iron and Steel Plants: Basic Oxygen Furnaces OMB Control No. 2060-0029 EPA ICR No. 1069.05

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D)), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) for New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for Basic Oxygen Process Furnaces (Subpart N and Na) described below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. 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 March 25, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL: Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 1069.05.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for Basic Oxygen Process Furnaces (Subpart N and Na) (OMB Control No. 2060-0029; EPA ICR No. 1069.05). This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The standards require initial notification reports with respect to construction, modification, reconstruction, startups, shutdowns, and malfunctions (specified in 40 CFR 60.7(a)). Notification of construction and startup indicated to enforcement personnel when a new affected facility has been constructed and, therefore, is subject to the standard.

The Standards requires daily recordkeeping of process information (specified in 40 CFR 60.143a) which is generally readily available in plant records resulting in no increase burden to industry. It also requires continuous monitoring of pressure loss through the venturi constriction of the control equipment and water supply pressure to the control equipment (specified in 40 CFR 60.143b). This information collected will be used to compare results with those measured during the most recent performance test and, therefore, will ensure continuous compliance with the standard.

The semiannual reporting requirement (specified in 40 CFR

60.143(c) and 60.143a (d) and (e)) for monitoring results (i.e., pressure loss through the venturi constriction of the scrubber and water supply pressure to the scrubber) which average more than ten percent below performance test results provides a good indication of a source's compliance status. Industry are required to maintain records at the facility for a minimum of two (2) years.

An owner or operator could elect to reduce operating expenses by not installing, maintaining, or otherwise operating the control technology required by the standards. In the absence of the information collection requirements, compliance with the standards could be ensured only through continuous on-site inspections by regulatory agency personnel. Consequently, not collecting the information would result in either greatly increased expenditures of resources, or the inability to ensure compliance with the standards.

The information collected from recordkeeping and reporting requirements is also used for targetting inspections, and is of sufficient quality to be used as evidence in court. The enforcement personnel may elect to conduct an inspection to ensure that the equipment is properly installed and operated, as was indicated in the performance test report. They may also conduct periodic inspections to obtain additional data, as a check for source operation and maintenance and for compliance determinations.

All reports are sent to the delegated State or local level authority. In the event that there is no such delegated authority, the reports are sent directly to the EPA Regional Office.

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 Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on September 29, 1995.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 95.35 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: 24.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 24.
Estimated Number of Responses: 31.2.
Frequency of Response: semiannual.
Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 2,974.8 hours.
Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden: \$90,582.66.

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 following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1069.05 and OMB Control No. 2060-0029 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2136), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, and
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 15, 1996.

Joseph Retzer,
Director, Regulatory Information Division.
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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request; Office of Water 301(h) Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) renewal has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Modification of Secondary Treatment Requirements for Discharges into Marine Waters, OMB Control Number 2040-0088, expiring 02/29/96. 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 March 25, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL:

Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 0138.05.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Modification of Secondary Treatment Requirements for Discharges into Marine Waters (OMB Control No. 2040-0088, EPA ICR No. 0138.05, expiring 02/29/96). This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Under section 301(h) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), publicly owned treatment works (POTWs) discharging pollutants into certain marine waters could apply for and be granted a waiver from secondary treatment requirements for conventional pollutants. The regulations implementing this program are found at 40 CFR Part 125, Subpart G. EPA issues this waiver with the concurrence of the State in which the POTW is located. The POTW must submit application, monitoring and toxic control program information. States provide State determination and certification information.

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 Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 10/24/95 (60 FR 54496); 2 comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 460 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;