

OMB Control Number 2050-0135, EPA ICR Number 1630.03, expiring 7/31/97. 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 July 10, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY**

**CALL:** Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 1630.03.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Oil Pollution Act Facility Response Plan, (OMB Control Number 2050-0135, EPA ICR Number 1630.03) expiring 7/31/97. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* The authority for EPA's response plan requirements is derived from Section 311 of the Clean Water Act as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA). EPA's regulation, which is codified at 40 CFR 112.20 and 21, requires that owners and operators of facilities that could cause substantial harm to the environment by discharging oil into navigable water bodies or adjoining shorelines prepare plans for responding to the maximum extent practicable, to a worst case discharge of oil, to a substantial threat of such a discharge, and as appropriate, to discharges smaller than worst case discharges.

All facility response plan (FRP) reporting and recordkeeping activities are mandatory. Each FRP is submitted to EPA. The Agency, in turn, reviews and approves plans from facilities identified as having the potential to cause "significant and substantial harm" to the environment from oil discharges. Other low risk, regulated facilities that are not required to prepare facility response plans are required to document their determination that they do not meet the "substantial harm" criteria.

Facility response plans enhance EPA's ability to protect navigable waters and sensitive environments when oil discharges occur and reduce the cost of spills to the regulated community and society. Response plans reduce such costs by ensuring that discharges are controlled and cleaned up swiftly and efficiently. Facilities that are prepared to respond to incidents are more likely to contain the spread of a spill before it reaches navigable waters and to mitigate the effects of a spill on the environment. In an emergency, On-Scene Coordinators, local emergency response officials such as fire chiefs, and outside oil response contractors may consult the facility response plan.

None of the information to be gathered for this collection is believed to be confidential. 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 2/20/97 (62 FR 7769). Three comments were received.

*Burden Statement:* The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated as follows: An average of .1 hours of recordkeeping for newly regulated facilities not required to prepare FRPs (i.e., facilities that certify that they do not meet the "substantial harm" criteria); 8.3 hours for recordkeeping and 118.48 hours for reporting for the newly regulated facilities required to prepare FRPs (i.e., first year costs for plan development); 1.22 hours for recordkeeping and 65.7 hours for reporting for facilities maintaining FRPs (i.e., subsequent costs for annual plan maintenance). 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:* 9886.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 9886.

*Frequency of Response:* One time certification, one time plan development. Annual plan review and revision as needed.

*Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:* 376,599 hours.

*Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden:* \$11.632 million.

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. 1630.03 and OMB Control No. 2050-0135 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2137), 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: June 4, 1997.

**Richard Westlund,**

Action Division Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5838-1]

### Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review; Comment Request; Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources Magnetic Tape Coating Facilities

**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 following Information Collection Request (ICR) described below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: 40 CFR part 60, subpart SSS—Magnetic Tape Coating Facilities, OMB Control Number 2060-0171, expiration date: 9/30/97. 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 July 10, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL:** Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 1135.06.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Standards of Performance for Magnetic Tape Coating Facilities (OMB Control No. 2060-0171; EPA ICR No. 1135.06).

*Expiration date:* 9/30/97. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* The Administrator has judged that VOC emissions from

magnetic tape coating facilities cause or contribute to air pollution that may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health or welfare. Owners/operators of magnetic tape coating facilities must notify EPA of construction, modification, startups, shut downs, date and results of initial performance test and provide semiannual reports of excess emissions.

In order to ensure compliance with the standards promulgated to protect public health, adequate reporting and recordkeeping is necessary. In the absence of such information enforcement personnel would be unable to determine whether the standards are being met on a continuous basis, as required by the Clean Air Act.

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 March 5, 1997 and no comments were received.

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3982.2 hours. 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:** Magnetic Tape Manufacturing.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 14.

**Frequency of Response:** 2.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 3982.2 hours.

**Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden:** \$139,377.

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. 1135.06 and OMB Control No. 2060-0171 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2137), 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: June 4, 1997.

**Richard Westlund,**

*Acting Division Director, Regulatory Information Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5838-5]

### Acid Rain Program: Notice of Draft Written Exemptions

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

**ACTION:** Notice of draft written exemptions.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency is issuing draft written exemptions from Acid Rain permitting and monitoring requirements to 2 utility units at 2 plants in accordance with the Acid Rain Program regulations (40 CFR part 72). Because the Agency does not anticipate receiving adverse comments, the exemptions are also being issued as a direct final action in the notice of written exemptions published elsewhere in today's **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Comments on the exemptions proposed by this action must be received on or before July 10, 1997 or 30 days after publication of a similar document in a local newspaper.

**ADDRESSES:** Administrative Records. The administrative record for the exemptions, except information protected as confidential, may be viewed during normal operating hours at the following location: U.S. EPA Region 5, 77 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois.

**Comments.** Send comments to: David Kee, Director, Air and Radiation Division (AT18J) (address above).

Submit comments in duplicate and identify the exemption to which the comments apply, the commenter's

name, address, and telephone number, and the commenter's interest in the matter and affiliation, if any, to the owners and operators of the unit covered by the exemption.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cecilia Mijares, U.S. EPA Region 5, (312) 886-0968.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** If no significant, adverse comments are timely received, no further activity is contemplated in relation to these draft written exemptions and the exemptions issued as a direct final action in the notice of written exemptions published elsewhere in today's **Federal Register** will automatically become final on the date specified in that document. If significant, adverse comments are timely received on any exemption, that exemption in the notice of written exemptions will be withdrawn. Because the Agency will not institute a second comment period on this notice of draft written exemptions, any parties interested in commenting should do so during this comment period.

For further information and a detailed description of the exemptions, see the information provided in the notice of written exemptions elsewhere in today's **Federal Register**.

Dated: May 21, 1997.

**Brian J. McLean,**

*Director, Acid Rain Division, Office of Atmospheric Programs, Office of Air and Radiation.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5838-4]

### Acid Rain Program: Notice of Direct Final Written Exemptions

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

**ACTION:** Notice of written exemptions.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency is issuing, as a direct final action, written exemptions from the Acid Rain permitting and monitoring requirements to 2 utility units at 2 plants in accordance with the Acid Rain Program regulations (40 CFR part 72). Because the Agency does not anticipate receiving adverse comments, the exemptions are being issued as a direct final action.

**DATES:** Each of the exemptions issued in this direct final action will be final on July 21, 1997 or 40 days after publication of a similar document in a local newspaper, whichever is later,