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Title: NSPS for Metallic Mineral Processing Plants (Renewal).

Abstract: The New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for Metallic Mineral Processing Plants were proposed on August 24, 1982, and promulgated on February 21, 1984. These standards apply to the following facilities in Metallic Mineral Processing Plants: Each crusher and screen in open-pit mines; each crusher, screen, bucket elevator, conveyor belt transfer point, thermal dryer, product packaging station, storage bin, enclosed storage area, truck loading and unloading station at the mill or concentrator, commencing construction, modification or reconstruction after the date of proposal. The NSPS does not apply to facilities located in underground mines, or to facilities performing the beneficiation of uranium ore at uranium ore processing plants.

Particulate matter (PM) is the pollutant regulated under this subpart. The standards limit the particulate matter emissions from the stack to 0.05 grams per dry standard cubic meter and to 7 percent opacity. Those sources that are using a wet scrubbing control device are exempted from the 7 percent opacity

requirement. No affected facility may discharge any process fugitive emissions that exhibit greater than 10 percent opacity.

Response to the collection of information is mandatory under 40 CFR part 60, subpart LL. Owners or operators of the affected facilities described must make initial notifications, including notification of any physical or operational change to an existing facility that may increase the regulated pollutant emission rate; notification of the demonstration of the continuous monitoring system (CMS), and notification of the initial performance test. Performance test reports are needed as these are the Agency's records of a source's initial capability to comply with emission standards, and note the operating conditions, flow rate and pressure drop, under which compliance was achieved. Owners of affected facilities are required to install, calibrate, maintain, and operate a continuous monitoring system to measure the change in the pressure of the gas stream through the scrubber and the scrubbing liquid flow rate. Owners or operators are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative.

Semiannual excess emissions reports and monitoring systems performance reports will include the exceeded findings of any control device operating parameters, (specified in CFR 40 60.735, Recordkeeping and Reporting), the date and time of the deviance, the nature and cause of the malfunction (if known) and the corrective measures taken, and identification of the time period during which the CMS was inoperative (this does not include zero and span checks nor typical repairs/adjustments). These notifications, reports and records are required, in general, of all sources subject to NSPS.

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Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 52 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, 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: Metallic Mineral Processing Plants.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, initially and semiannually.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 2,306 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Costs: \$199,140 which includes \$0 annualized capital/startup costs, \$13,000 annual O&M costs, and \$186,140 Respondent Labor costs.

Changes in the Estimates: There is an increase of 546 hours in the total estimated burden currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved ICR Burdens. This increase is due to an increase in the estimated number of sources that will be reconstructed or make or physical/operational changes. In addition, the increase in burden is due to the inclusion of burden hour estimates for management and clerical personnel at the plant.

Dated: August 22, 2005.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OW-2003-0030; FRL-7964-1]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Great Lakes Water Quality Guidance, EPA ICR Number 1639.05, OMB Control Number 2040-0180

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces

that an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. This ICR is scheduled to expire on August 31, 2005. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB. This ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before September 30, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number OW-2003-0030, to (1) EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to ow-docket@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Water Docket, Mail Code 4101T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB at: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lynn Stabenfeldt, Office of Wastewater Management, 4201M, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564-0602; fax number: (202) 501-2399; e-mail address: stabenfeldt.lynn@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On May 31, 2005 (70 FR 30944-30955), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. OW-2003-0030, which is available for public viewing at the Water Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Water Docket is (202) 566-2426. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. Use EDOCKET to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the public docket, and to

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Title: National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Great Lakes Water Quality Guidance.

Abstract: The primary objective of the Clean Water Act (CWA) is "to restore and maintain the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the nation's waters" (Section 101(a)). CWA Section 402 establishes the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program to regulate the discharge of any pollutant or combination of pollutants from point sources into the waters of the United States. CWA Section 402(a), as amended, authorizes the EPA Administrator to issue permits for the discharge of pollutants if those discharges meet the following requirements:

- All applicable requirements of CWA Sections 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, and 403; and
- Any conditions the Administrator determines are necessary to carry out the provisions and objectives of the CWA.

Section 101 of the Great Lakes Critical Programs Act (CPA) amends section 118 of the CWA and directs EPA to publish water quality guidance for the Great Lakes System. Provisions of the Guidance are codified in 40 CFR part 132. The Guidance establishes minimum water quality criteria,

implementation procedures, and antidegradation provisions for the Great Lakes System.

Permitting authorities currently require dischargers to provide information such as the name, location, and description of facilities to identify the facilities that require permits. EPA and authorized NPDES States store much of this basic information in the Permit Compliance System (PCS) database. PCS provides EPA with a nationwide inventory of NPDES permit holders. EPA Headquarters uses the information contained in the PCS to develop reports on permit issuance, backlogs, and compliance rates. The Agency also uses the information to respond to public and Congressional inquiries, develop and guide its policies, formulate its budgets, assist States in acquiring authority for permitting programs, and manage its programs to ensure national consistency in permitting.

NPDES permit applications and requests for supplemental information currently require information about wastewater treatment systems, pollutants, discharge rates and volumes, whole effluent toxicity testing and other data. Additional information collection requirements that may be necessary to implement State, Tribal, or EPA promulgated provisions consistent with the final Guidance include: (1) Monitoring (pollutant-specific and whole effluent toxicity or WET); (2) pollutant minimization programs; (3) antidegradation policy/demonstrations; and, (4) regulatory relief options (e.g., variances from water quality criteria).

This information may be used to ensure compliance with provisions consistent with the Guidance and re-evaluate existing permit conditions and monitoring requirements. Data on discharges is entered into STORET and PCS, EPA's databases for ambient water quality data and NPDES permits, respectively. Results of water quality criteria testing will be entered into an EPA Information Clearinghouse database.

Permit applications may contain confidential business information. If this is the case, the respondent may request that such information be treated as confidential. All confidential data will be handled in accordance with 40 CFR 122.7, 40 CFR part 2, and EPA's Security Manual part III, chapter 9, dated August 9, 1976. However, CWA Section 308(b) specifically states that effluent data may not be treated as confidential. No questions of a sensitive nature are associated with this information collection.

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Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 26,781 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: (1) Industries discharging toxic pollutants to waters in the Great Lakes System as defined in 40 CFR 132.2 and (2) publicly-owned treatment works discharging toxic pollutants to waters of the Great Lakes System as defined in 40 CFR 132.2.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,710

Frequency of Response: Varies depending on discharger's effluent characteristics.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 28,797

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$3,070,186, includes \$0 annualized capital or O&M costs.

Changes in the Estimates: There is a decrease of 94,066 hours in the total estimated burden currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved ICR Burdens. This decrease is due to a transfer of burden hours to the Water Quality Standards ICR (OMB Control Number 2040-0049) and a decrease in the number of potentially affected entities.

Dated: August 23, 2005.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPT-2003-0004; FRL-7733-7]

Access to Confidential Business Information by Systems Research and Applications Corporation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has authorized its contractor Systems Research and Applications Corporation (SRA), of Arlington and Fairfax, Virginia, access to information which has been submitted to EPA under all sections of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be Confidential Business Information (CBI). **DATES:** Access to the confidential data will occur no sooner than September 8, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colby Lintner, Regulatory Coordinator, Environmental Assistance Division (7408M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Notice Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under TSCA. Since other entities may also 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 Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. **Docket.** EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPPT-2003-0004. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that

is available for public viewing at the EPA Docket Center, Rm. B102-Reading Room, EPA West, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The EPA Docket Center Reading Room telephone number is (202) 566-1744 and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket, which is located in EPA Docket Center, is (202) 566-0280.

2. **Electronic access.** You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

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II. What Action is the Agency Taking?

Under Contract Number EP-W-05-024, SRA of 2000 15th Street, North Arlington, VA 22201, and 4300 Fair Lakes Court, Fairfax, VA 22033, will assist EPA in preparing OPPT's Target Information Architecture, involving enterprise architecture documentation, development, requirements analysis, design, testing and change management.

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under Contract Number EP-W-05-024, SRA will require access to CBI submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA, to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract.

SRA personnel will be given information submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA. Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be CBI.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under all sections of TSCA, that the Agency may provide SRA access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place at EPA Headquarters.

Clearance for access to TSCA CBI under Contract Number EP-W-05-024 may continue until April 14, 2010.