

implementation deficiencies. Sierra Club and NYPIRG recognized that sections 70.4(i) and 70.10(b) provide authority for us to require permitting authorities to correct program or implementation deficiencies, but were concerned that we had not responded timely to petitions they had filed requesting us to require such corrections. To address the concerns raised by Sierra Club and NYPIRG, we are announcing in this notice that the public may submit comments within the 90-day comment period being provided requesting us to take action consistent with the procedures in sections 70.4(i) and 70.10(b). We are further announcing that we will respond by specific dates to those comments and any petitions that have previously been submitted and will take action under sections 70.4(i) and 70.10(b), requiring permitting authorities to correct any program or implementation deficiencies.

This action applies to all approved part 70 operating permits programs, regardless of whether they have been granted full or interim approval. Within the timeframes specified below, we will take action to respond to any claims of deficiency.

Do not include in your comments any program deficiencies that were identified as such by us when we granted the program interim approval. Those program deficiencies are already identified and permitting authorities are already taking action to correct them in order to avoid imposition of the Federal permitting program on December 1, 2001. We will not consider comments that generically assert deficiencies for multiple programs. Be specific in your comments both as to the State or local permitting program and the deficiencies being raised. With respect to program deficiencies, please note the specific provisions of concern in the permitting authority's regulations or the State statute and identify the provision or provisions in part 70 or title V with which the program conflicts. For implementation deficiencies, identify the relevant regulatory or statutory provision that is not being properly implemented and provide the bases for the claim that the permitting authority is not properly implementing that portion of the program. For example, if you assert that permits are being issued in a manner inconsistent with an element of the program, identify specific permits that you believe were incorrectly issued and the ways in which you believe those permits to be deficient.

Send comments concerning potential deficiencies to the appropriate EPA

Regional Office, the addresses for which are provided above under **ADDRESSES**.

After reviewing comments received within the comment period, we will issue a notice of deficiency (NOD) for any claimed shortcoming in an operating permits program that we agree constitutes a "deficiency" within the meaning of part 70. For those alleged deficiencies with which we disagree, we will publish a notice explaining our reasons for not making a finding of deficiency. We will substantively consider all specific claims of deficiency, including claims that could have been raised during the initial approval process. For any NOD, a timeframe for correction of the deficiencies consistent with sections 70.4(i) or 70.10(b) will be specified in the notice. Consistent with section 70.4(i), in no event will a permitting authority be allowed more than 2 years to correct a program deficiency.

By December 1, 2001, we will publish NOD's for deficiencies identified for programs that have not been granted full approval as of December 11, 2000. We will at the same time also publish a notice identifying any alleged problems that we do not agree are deficiencies. For programs that have been granted full approval as of December 11, 2000, we will publish any NOD's by April 1, 2002, along with any notices of disagreement. We believe these time periods provide adequate time for us to respond to comments raised during the aforementioned comment period.

Dated: December 5, 2000

Elizabeth Craig,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-51958; FRL-6759-6]

Certain New Chemicals; Receipt and Status Information

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 5 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) requires any person who intends to manufacture (defined by statute to include import) a new chemical (i.e., a chemical not on the TSCA Inventory) to notify EPA and comply with the statutory provisions pertaining to the manufacture of new chemicals. Under sections 5(d)(2) and 5(d)(3) of TSCA, EPA is required to

publish a notice of receipt of a premanufacture notice (PMN) or an application for a test marketing exemption (TME), and to publish periodic status reports on the chemicals under review and the receipt of notices of commencement to manufacture those chemicals. This status report, which covers the period from October 23, 2000 to October 27, 2000, consists of the PMNs pending or expired, and the notices of commencement to manufacture a new chemical that the Agency has received under TSCA section 5 during this time period. The "S" and "G" that precede the chemical names denote whether the chemical identity is specific or generic.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPPTS-51958 and the specific PMN number in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Cunningham, Director, Office of Program Management and Evaluation, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (7401), 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 Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. As such, the Agency has not attempted to describe the specific entities that this action may apply to. Although others may be affected, this action applies directly to the submitter of the premanufacture notices addressed in the 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 Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain copies of this document and certain other available documents from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. On the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations," "Regulations and Proposed Rules," and then look up the entry for this document under the "**Federal Register—Environmental**

Documents.” You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPPTS-51958. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, any test data submitted by the manufacturer/importer and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as confidential business information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, North East Mall Rm. B-607, Waterside Mall, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. The Center is open from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number of the Center is (202) 260-7099.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPPTS-51958 and the specific PMN number in the subject line on the first page of your response.

1. *By mail.* Submit your comments to: Document Control Office (7407), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

2. *In person or by courier.* Deliver your comments to: OPPT Document Control Office (DCO) in East Tower Rm. G-099, Waterside Mall, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. The DCO is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the DCO is (202) 260-7093.

3. *Electronically.* You may submit your comments electronically by e-mail to: “oppt.ncic@epa.gov,” or mail your

computer disk to the address identified in this unit. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on standard disks in WordPerfect 6.1/8.0 or ASCII file format. All comments in electronic form must be identified by docket control number OPPTS-51958 and the specific PMN number. Electronic comments may also be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

D. How Should I Handle CBI that I Want to Submit to the Agency?

Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. You may claim information that you submit to EPA in response to this document as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public version of the official record. Information not marked confidential will be included in the public version of the official record without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**”

E. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Offer alternative ways to improve the notice or collection activity.

7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this document.

8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket control number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

II. Why is EPA Taking this Action?

Section 5 of TSCA requires any person who intends to manufacture (defined by statute to include import) a new chemical (i.e., a chemical not on the TSCA Inventory to notify EPA and comply with the statutory provisions pertaining to the manufacture of new chemicals. Under sections 5(d)(2) and 5(d)(3) of TSCA, EPA is required to publish a notice of receipt of a PMN or an application for a TME and to publish periodic status reports on the chemicals under review and the receipt of notices of commencement to manufacture those chemicals. This status report, which covers the period from October 23, 2000 to October 27, 2000, consists of the PMNs pending or expired, and the notices of commencement to manufacture a new chemical that the Agency has received under TSCA section 5 during this time period.

III. Receipt and Status Report for PMNs

This status report identifies the PMNs and TMEs, both pending or expired, and the notices of commencement to manufacture a new chemical that the Agency has received under TSCA section 5 during this time period. If you are interested in information that is not included in the following tables, you may contact EPA as described in Unit II. to access additional non-CBI information that may be available. The “S” and “G” that precede the chemical names denote whether the chemical identity is specific or generic.

In table I, EPA provides the following information (to the extent that such information is not claimed as CBI) on the PMNs received by EPA during this period: the EPA case number assigned to the PMN; the date the PMN was received by EPA; the projected end date for EPA’s review of the PMN; the submitting manufacturer; the potential uses identified by the manufacturer in the PMN; and the chemical identity.

TABLE I. 18 PREMANUFACTURE NOTICES RECEIVED FROM: 10/23/00 TO 10/27/00

| Case No. | Received Date | Projected Notice End Date | Manufacturer/Importer | Use | Chemical |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|---|
| P-01-0060 P-01-0061 | 10/23/00 10/23/00 | 01/21/01 01/21/01 | CBI Vantico Inc. | (G) Intermediate (S) Hardener for waterborne anticorrosive coatings; hardener for waterborne epoxy cement for civil engineering applic. | (G) Alkyl phosphate (G) Reaction products of polypropylene glycol diamine with an epoxide |
| P-01-0062 P-01-0063 P-01-0064 | 10/23/00 10/23/00 10/24/00 | 01/21/01 01/21/01 01/22/01 | CBI CBI Samsung Information Systems America | (S) Specialty polymer (S) Specialty polymer (G) Compound in color dispersion | (G) Substituted bicyclic olefin (G) Substituted bicyclic olefin (G) Acrylate copolymer |
| P-01-0065 P-01-0066 | 10/23/00 10/24/00 | 01/21/01 01/22/01 | CBI Vantico Inc. | (G) Processing aid (S) Hardener for waterborne anti-corrosive coatings; hardener for waterborne epoxy cement for civil engineering applic. | (G) Alkyl phosphate derivative (G) Propanenitrile, 3-[[6-amino-2,2,4(or 2,4,4)-trimethylhexyl]amino]-, polymers with 5-amino-1,3,3-trimethylcyclohexanemethanamine, bisphenol a, bisphenol a-epichlorohydrin polymer-2,2,4(or 2,4,4)-trimethyl-1,6-hexanediamine reaction products, with glycidyl tolyl ether and an epoxide |
| P-01-0067 | 10/24/00 | 01/22/01 | BASF Corporation | (G) Internal press release | (G) Substituted polyether polyurethane |
| P-01-0068 | 10/24/00 | 01/22/01 | CBI | (G) Processing agent | (S) Fatty acids, C ₁₆₋₁₈ , esters with pentaerythritol |
| P-01-0069 | 10/23/00 | 01/21/01 | Bridgestone/Firestone, Inc. | (G) Pigment for rubber compound | (G) Substitute naphtalene derivatives |
| P-01-0070 | 10/25/00 | 01/23/01 | Kelmar Industries | (S) Plastifier or softener for pur-fine coating; paint additive for artificial leather; softener or extender for fc-impregnation | (G) Polydimethylsiloxane with aminoalkyl groups |
| P-01-0071 | 10/26/00 | 01/24/01 | CIBA Specialty Chemicals Corporation | (S) Uv absorber for use in photographic emulsions | (G) Substituted triazine |
| P-01-0072 P-01-0073 | 10/27/00 10/27/00 | 01/25/01 01/25/01 | BASF Corporation BASF Corporation | (G) Intermediate (G) Lubricant | (G) Oxyalkylated isodecyl alcohol (G) Tall oil ester of oxyalkylated isodecyl alcohol |
| P-01-0074 P-01-0075 | 10/26/00 10/27/00 | 01/24/01 01/25/01 | JSR Corporation CIBA Specialty Chemicals Corporation | (G) Coating agent (S) Interlayer scavenger for photographic chromogenic color paper | (G) Modified styrene acrylate polymer (G) Substituted benzofuranone |
| P-01-0076 | 10/27/00 | 01/25/01 | Eastman Chemical Company | (S) Polyester for injection molding | (G) Dimethyl terephthalate, polymer with cyclohexanedimethanol and disubstituted benzenedicarboxylic acid |
| P-01-0077 | 10/27/00 | 01/25/01 | Eastman Chemical Company | (G) Raw material | (G) Disubstituted benzenedicarboxylic acid |

In table II, EPA provides the following information (to the extent that such information is not claimed as CBI) on the Notices of Commencement to manufacture received:

TABLE II. 15 NOTICES OF COMMENCEMENT FROM: 10/23/00 TO 10/27/00

| Case No. | Received Date | Commencement/Import Date | Chemical |
|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| P-00-0395 P-00-0471 | 10/23/00 10/24/00 | 10/03/00 10/17/00 | (G) Urethane acrylate (S) [1,1'-biphenyl]-2,2'-disulfonic acid, 4,4'-bis[[1-(3-aminophenyl)-4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1h-pyrazol-4-yl]azo]-disodium salt, reaction products with 2,2'-[1,2-ethanediylbis(oxyethylene)]bis[oxirane], 2',4',5',7'-tetrabromo-3',6'-dihydroxyspiro[isobenzofuran-1(3h),9'-[9h]xanthen]-3-one disodium salt and 2',4',5',7'-tetrabromo-4,5,6,7-tetrachloro-3',6'-dihydroxyspiro[isobenzofuran-1(3h),9'-[9h]xanthen]-3-one disodium salt |
| P-00-0555 P-00-0708 | 10/24/00 10/23/00 | 09/21/00 10/18/00 | (S) Neodecanoic acid, ethenyl ester, polymer with ethene and ethenyl acetate (G) Chromate(2-), [3-[(4,5-dihydro-3-methyl-5-oxo-1-phenyl-1h-pyrazol-4-yl)azo]-4-hydroxy-(substituted)][2-[(2-substituted)]-4-nitrophenolato(2-)-n2, o1, o2]-, disodium |
| P-00-0738 | 10/24/00 | 10/16/00 | (S) Formaldehyde, reaction products with 1,3-benzenedimethanamine and bisphenol a |

TABLE II. 15 NOTICES OF COMMENCEMENT FROM: 10/23/00 TO 10/27/00—Continued

| Case No. | Received Date | Commencement/ Import Date | Chemical |
|-----------|---------------|------------------------------|--|
| P-00-0794 | 10/23/00 | 10/06/00 | (G) Chloroformate |
| P-00-0810 | 10/27/00 | 10/01/00 | (G) Heterocyclic alkyl alcohol |
| P-00-0819 | 10/23/00 | 10/16/00 | (S) 1,1-cyclopropanedicarboxylic acid, dimethyl ester |
| P-00-0868 | 10/25/00 | 10/11/00 | (G) Pyrazolotriazole derivative |
| P-00-0920 | 10/24/00 | 10/17/00 | (G) Methacrylate copolymer salt |
| P-00-0975 | 10/26/00 | 10/16/00 | (G) Polyester resin |
| P-00-0976 | 10/26/00 | 10/23/00 | (G) Polyester resin |
| P-00-0991 | 10/24/00 | 10/16/00 | (G) Formaldehyde, (chloromethyl)oxirane/phenol polymer, modified with organophosphorous derivative |
| P-98-0948 | 10/24/00 | 10/18/00 | (G) Polyester polyether urethane block copolymer |
| P-99-0376 | 10/24/00 | 10/13/00 | (G) Hydroxy alkylidene |

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Premanufacturer notices.

Dated: November 29, 2000.

Deborah A. Williams,

Acting Director, Information Management Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

December 5, 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 January 10, 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 Judy Boley, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C804, 445 12th Street, SW., DC 20554 or via the Internet to jboley@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Judy Boley at 202-418-0214 or via the Internet at jboley@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control No.: 3060-0942.

Title: Access Charge Reform, Price Cap Performance Review for Local Exchange Carriers, Low-Volume Long Distance Users, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 27 respondents; 108 responses.

Estimated Time Per Response: 5 hours – 60 hours.

Frequency of Response: Recordkeeping requirement, third party disclosure requirement and quarterly and annual reporting requirements.

Total Annual Burden: 6,677 hours.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Needs and Uses: The Commission took action to further accelerate the development of competition in the local and long-distance telecommunications markets, and to further establish explicit universal service support that will be sustainable in an increasingly competitive marketplace, pursuant to the mandate of the 1996 Act. The

Commission requires tariff filings, quarterly and annual data filings and cost support information to be reported under the Coalition for Affordable Local and Long Distance Service (CALLS) proposal.

The burden for this information collection has been reduced by 6,081 hours due the completion of the October 15, 2000 supplemental filing. As noted in our previous submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), carriers were required to make a one-time supplemental filing to update the state-approved unbundled network element (UNE)-zones.

OMB Control No.: 3060-0943.

Title: Section 54.809, Carrier Certification.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 27.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1.5 hours.

Frequency of Response: Third party disclosure requirement and annual reporting requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 41 hours.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Needs and Uses: Section 54.809, of the Commission's rules, requires each price cap or competitive LEC that wishes to receive universal service support to file an annual certification with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the Commission. The certification must state that the carrier will use its interstate access universal service support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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