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Respondents/Affected Entities: Pesticide registrants.

Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 31.

Frequency of Response: Once. Five years after tolerance decision.

Estimated number of annual responses for each respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 29,807 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Burden Costs: \$2,773,866.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Perchloroethylene (PCE) Dry Cleaning Facilities

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 the following Information

Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: NESHAP for Perchloroethylene (PCE) Dry Cleaning Facilities Subpart M, OMB Control Number 2060-0234 and expiration date of 6/30/00. 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 June 16, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the ICR contact Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by E-Mail at Farmer.Sandy@epamail.epa.gov or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1415.04.

For technical questions about the ICR contact Joyce Chandler at (202) 564-7073, by email at chandler.joyce@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Perchloroethylene (PCE) Dry Cleaning Facilities Subpart M (OMB Control No. 2060-0234; EPA ICR No. 1415.04) expiring 6/30/00. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: These standards apply to owners or operators of dry cleaning facilities that use perchloroethylene (PCE). Owners or operators of such facilities must provide EPA, or the delegated State regulatory authority, with the one-time notifications and reports. The owners or operators must also perform weekly monitoring (or biweekly for the smallest facilities) and must keep records for 5 years. The notification and reports enable EPA or the delegated State regulatory authority to determine whether the appropriate control technology is installed and properly operated and maintained, and to schedule inspections and/or compliance assistance activities. The responses to this information collection are mandatory under Clean Air Act section 112 and 40 CFR part 63, subpart M. The responses are not anticipated to be kept confidential due to the nature of the information collected; however, any information submitted to the Agency for which a claim of confidentiality is made will be safeguarded according to the Agency policies set forth in 40 CFR part 2. 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** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 10/29/99 (64 FR 58396); No comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 230 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: Dry Cleaning Plants.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 25,090.

Frequency of Response: 2 per new facility.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 1,212,129.

Estimated Total Annualized Capital and Operating & Maintenance Cost Burden: 0.

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. 1415.04 and OMB Control No. 2060-0234 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Information, Collection Strategies Division (2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, 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.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6700-5]

Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS): Announcement of 2000 Program—Addendum; Request for Information

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice; addendum to announcement of IRIS 2000 program and request for scientific information on health effects that may result from chronic exposure to chemical substances.

SUMMARY: The Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) is an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) data base that contains EPA scientific consensus positions on human health effects that may result from chronic exposure to chemical substances in the environment. On January 12, 2000, EPA announced the 2000 IRIS agenda and solicited scientific information from the public for consideration in assessing health effects from specific chemical substances. This notice adds the chemical substances hexachlorobenzene and hexahydro-1,3,5-trinitro-triazine ("RDX") to the IRIS agenda, and solicits scientific data and evaluations for consideration in EPA's assessments.

DATES: Please submit information in response to this notice by July 17, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Please send relevant scientific information to the IRIS Submission Desk in accordance with the instructions provided under "Submission of Information" in this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the IRIS program, contact Amy Mills, National Center for Environmental Assessment (mail code 8601D), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, DC 20460, or call (202) 564-3204, or send electronic mail inquiries to mills.amy@epa.gov. For general questions about access to IRIS, or the content of IRIS, please call the Risk Information Hotline at (513) 569-7254.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

IRIS is an EPA data base containing Agency consensus scientific positions

on potential adverse human health effects that may result from chronic (or lifetime) exposure to chemical substances found in the environment. IRIS currently provides health effects information on over 500 specific chemical substances.

IRIS contains chemical-specific summaries of qualitative and quantitative health information in support of the first two steps of the risk assessment process, i.e., hazard identification and dose-response evaluation. IRIS information includes the reference dose for noncancer health effects resulting from oral exposure, the reference concentration for noncancer health effects resulting from inhalation exposure, and the carcinogen assessment for both oral and inhalation exposure. Combined with specific situational exposure assessment information, the summary health hazard information in IRIS may be used as a source in evaluating potential public health risks from environmental contaminants.

The IRIS Program

EPA's process for developing IRIS consists of: (1) An annual **Federal Register** announcement of EPA's IRIS agenda and call for scientific information from the public on the selected chemical substances, (2) a search of the current literature, (3) development of health assessments and draft IRIS summaries, (4) peer review within EPA, (5) peer review outside EPA, (6) EPA consensus review and management approval, (7) preparation of final IRIS summaries and supporting documents, and (8) entry of summaries and supporting documents into the IRIS data base.

Purpose of This Notice

EPA is adding the chemical substances hexachlorobenzene (CAS No. 118-74-1) and hexahydro-1,3,5-trinitro-triazine or "RDX," (CAS No. 121-82-4) to its assessment agenda for fiscal year 2000. EPA is hereby requesting scientific information from the public for consideration in these two assessments.

As described in the January 12, 2000, **Federal Register** document (63 FR 1863) announcing the IRIS agenda for fiscal year 2000, EPA is testing ways to cooperate with external parties, including other government agencies, in the development of supporting documentation for IRIS. The Agency is initiating these two assessments to build upon a common interest with other federal agencies. EPA's Superfund program has identified a strong need to update the existing IRIS entry for

hexachlorobenzene. This substance is frequently found at Superfund sites and is critical to a number of human health risk assessments. Concurrently, the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) has identified hexachlorobenzene as a priority substance for developing a revised Toxicological Profile. EPA and ATSDR will therefore coordinate their efforts in developing the IRIS Toxicological Review and the revised ATSDR Toxicological Profile for Hexachlorobenzene. Similarly, the U.S. Army has identified a strong need to update the existing IRIS entry for RDX, which frequently occurs at federal facilities operated by the U.S. Army and is critical to a number of human health risk assessments. EPA and the U.S. Army will coordinate their efforts in developing a Toxicological Review for RDX. New scientific information is available to evaluate and reassess the potential health effects of both substances.

These joint efforts with other federal agencies is a pilot effort to utilize federal resources more effectively and provide more consistent information to the public. Completion of the hexachlorobenzene and RDX assessments and addition to the IRIS data base is expected by fiscal year 2002.

Submission of Information

As in previous **Federal Register** documents announcing the annual IRIS agenda, EPA is soliciting public information on hexachlorobenzene and RDX. While EPA conducts a thorough literature search for each chemical substance, there may be other articles or unpublished studies we are not aware of. We would greatly appreciate receiving scientific information from the public during the information gathering. Interested persons should provide scientific comments, analyses, studies, and other pertinent scientific information. The most useful documents for EPA are unpublished studies or other primary technical sources that we may not otherwise obtain through open literature searches. Also note that if you have submitted certain information previously, there is no need to resubmit that information. Information from the public is being solicited for 60 days via this notice.

Procedures for Submission

As described in the January 12, 2000, **Federal Register** document, submissions will be handled in a three-step process:

1. Submission Inventory: First, you should simply provide a list within 60