

become subject to the standard during this time period. Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) are the pollutants regulated under this subpart, and this information is being collected to assure compliance with 40 CFR part 60, subpart WW.

Owners or operators of the affected facilities described must make initial reports when a source becomes subject, conduct and report on a performance test, demonstrate and report on continuous monitor performance, and maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility. Semiannual reports of excess emissions are required. These notifications, reports, and records are essential in determining compliance; and are required, in general, of all sources subject to NSPS.

Any owner or operator subject to the provisions of this part shall maintain a file of these measurements, and retain the file for at least 2 years following the date of such measurements, maintenance reports, and records. The estimated total cost of this ICR will be \$1,085,853 over the next three years (including labor hours, operating & maintenance costs, and start up costs; \$361,951  $\times$  3 years). All reports are sent to the delegated State or Local 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** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on June 20, 2002. Comments were not received.

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 38 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 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:**

Owners/Operators of beverage can surface coating facilities.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 48.

**Frequency of Response:** semiannual for all, every other year for excess emission report.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 4642.

**Estimated Total Annualized Capital, O&M Cost Burden:** \$96,800.

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 addresses listed above. Please refer to EPA ICR Number 0663.08 and OMB Control Number 2060-0001 in any correspondence.

Dated: November 18, 2002.

**Oscar Morales,**

*Director, Collection Strategies Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OEI-2002-0004; FRL-7417-4]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission of EPA ICR No. 1704.06 (OMB No. 2070-0143) to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Toxic Chemical Release Reporting; Alternate Threshold for Low Annual Reportable Amounts

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA)(44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the following continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to the procedures described in 5 CFR 1320.12: Alternate Threshold for Low Annual Reportable Amounts, Toxic Chemical Release Reporting (EPA ICR No. 1704.06, OMB No. 2070-0143). The ICR, which is described below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

The Agency is requesting that OMB renew for 3 years the existing approval

for this ICR, which is scheduled to expire on January 31, 2003. A **Federal Register** notice announcing the Agency's intent to seek the renewal of this ICR and the 60-day public comment opportunity, requesting comments on the request and the contents of the ICR, was issued on July 1, 2002 (67 FR 44197). A **Federal Register** correction notice, correcting the address for submission of comments in person, was issued on July 15, 2002 (67 FR 46503). EPA received a number of comments on this ICR during the comment period, which have been addressed. The comments and EPA's responses are included in an attachment to the ICR Supporting Statement that is being submitted to OMB with this ICR renewal request, and will be made available in the docket for OEI-2002-0004 and on the EPA TRI Web site at [www.epa.gov/tri](http://www.epa.gov/tri).

**DATES:** Additional comments may be submitted on or before January 3, 2003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Judith Kendall, TRI Program Division, Office of Environmental Information, Mailcode 2844, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 566-0750; e-mail address: [kendall.judith@epa.gov](mailto:kendall.judith@epa.gov); fax number: (202)566-0741.

**ADDRESSES:** Follow the detailed instructions in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Review Requested:** This is a request to renew a currently approved information collection pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12.

**ICR Numbers:** EPA ICR 1704.06; OMB Control No. 2070-0143.

**Current Expiration Date:** Current OMB approval expires on January 31, 2003.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. OEI-2002-0004, which is available for public viewing at the OEI 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 OEI Docket is (202) 566-1752. 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 access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically.

Once in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified above.

Any comments related to this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice, and according to the following detailed instructions: (1) Submit your comments to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to [oei.docket@epa.gov](mailto:oei.docket@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2844, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) Mail your comments to 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.

EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EDOCKET as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EDOCKET. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket. Although identified as an item in the official docket, information claimed as CBI, or whose disclosure is otherwise restricted by statute, is not included in the official public docket, and will not be available for public viewing in EDOCKET. For further information about the electronic docket, see EPA's **Federal Register** notice describing the electronic docket at 67 FR 38102 (May 31, 2002), or go to <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>.

**Title:** Toxic Chemical Release Reporting, Alternate Threshold for Low Annual Reportable Amounts, Recordkeeping, Supplier Notification and Petitions under section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA).

**Background:** EPCRA section 313 requires certain facilities manufacturing, processing, or otherwise using certain toxic chemicals in excess of specified threshold quantities to report their environmental releases and other waste management quantities of such chemicals annually. Each such facility must file a separate report for each such chemical.

EPA has established an alternate threshold for those facilities with low amounts of a listed toxic chemical in wastes. A facility that otherwise exceeds

the current reporting thresholds, but estimates that the total amount of the chemical in waste does not exceed 500 pounds per year, and that the chemical was manufactured, processed, or otherwise used in an amount not exceeding 1 million pounds during the reporting year, can take advantage of reporting under the alternate threshold option for that chemical for that reporting year.

Each qualifying facility that chooses to apply the revised threshold must file the Form A Certification Statement (EPA Form 9350-2) to certify that they are not required to file a Form R (EPA Form 9350-1). In submitting the Form A Certification Statement, the facility certifies that the sum of the amount of the EPCRA section 313 chemical in wastes did not exceed 500 pounds for the reporting year, and that the chemical was manufactured, processed, or otherwise used in an amount not exceeding 1 million pounds during the reporting year. Use of the Form A Certification Statement represents a substantial savings to respondents, both in burden hours and in labor costs.

The Form A Certification Statement provides communities with information that the chemical is being manufactured, processed or otherwise used at facilities. Additionally, the Form A Certification Statement provides compliance monitoring and enforcement programs and other interested parties with a means to track chemical management activities and verify overall compliance with the rule. Responses to this collection of information are mandatory (see 40 CFR part 372) and facilities subject to reporting must submit either a Form A Certification Statement or a Form R, as appropriate.

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.

**Burden Statement:** Under the PRA, "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. For this collection, it 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.

The annual public burden for this collection of information, which is approved under OMB Control No. 2070-0143, is estimated to average 13.7 hours for a facility that certifies one chemical per Form A Certification Statement. Responding to this information collection requires (1) determining whether a listed toxic chemical is eligible for certification under the alternate threshold, and (2) completing the Form A Certification Statement. The burden of determining eligibility for certification and associated recordkeeping is estimated to average 12.3 hours for each chemical that is certified. The burden of completing the Form A Certification Statement is estimated to average 1.4 hours, regardless of the number of chemicals being certified. The total burden per response is the combination of these two, and will vary depending on the number of listed toxic chemicals being certified.

The ICR supporting statement provides a detailed explanation of the burden estimates that are summarized in this notice. The following is a summary of the estimates taken from the ICR supporting statement:

*Estimated No. of Respondents:* 5,451 respondents.

*Frequency of Responses:* Annual.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 172,313 burden hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Costs:* \$7.57 million.

**Changes in the Burden Estimates:** The estimated burden described above differs from what is currently in OMB's inventory for alternate threshold reporting: 14,793 responses (chemicals) and 644,761 burden hours. The burden estimated in this supporting statement differs from OMB's inventory as a result of adjustments to estimates of the number of responses (from 14,793 responses (chemicals) to 5,121 responses (Form A Certification Statements)), changes to subsequent year unit reporting burden estimates (from 30.2 to 9.2 burden hours per chemical certified on a Form A Certification Statement), and an adjustment for use of TRI-ME for those forms completed using TRI-ME. These changes are described in greater detail in the supporting statement for this ICR, available in the public version of the official record.

According to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12, EPA has submitted this ICR to OMB for review

and approval. Any comments related to the renewal of this ICR should be submitted within 30 days of this notice, as described above.

Dated: November 22, 2002.

**Oscar Morales,**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OEI-2002-0003; FRL-7417-3]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission of EPA ICR No. 1363.12 (OMB No. 2070-0093) to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Toxic Chemical Release Reporting

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) (EPA ICR No. 1363.12; OMB Control No. 2070-0093) for the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Form R has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to the OMB procedures in 5 CFR 1320.12. The ICR, which is summarized below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost, and it includes the actual data collection instrument where appropriate.

The Agency is requesting that OMB renew for three years the existing approval for this ICR, which is scheduled to expire on January 31, 2003. A **Federal Register** notice announcing the Agency's intent to seek the renewal of this ICR and the 60-day public comment opportunity, requesting comments on the request and the contents of the ICR, was issued on July 1, 2002 (67 FR 44213). A **Federal Register** correction notice, correcting the address for submission of comments in person, was issued on July 15, 2002 (67 FR 46502). EPA received a number of comments on this ICR during the comment period, and EPA has developed responses to those comments. The comments and EPA's responses are included in an attachment to the ICR Supporting Statement that is being submitted to OMB with this ICR renewal request, and will be made available in the docket for OEI-2002-

0003 and on the EPA TRI Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/tri>.

**DATES:** Additional comments may be submitted on or before January 3, 2003.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**ADDRESSES:** Follow the detailed instructions in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Review Requested:** This is a request to renew a currently approved information collection pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12.

**ICR Numbers:** EPA ICR 1363.12; OMB Control No. 2070-0093.

**Current Expiration Date:** Current OMB approval expires on January 31, 2003.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. OEI-2002-0003, which is available for public viewing at the OEI 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 OEI Docket is (202) 566-1752. 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 access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified above.

Any comments related to this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice, and according to the following detailed instructions: (1) Submit your comments to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to [oei.docket@epa.gov](mailto:oei.docket@epa.gov) or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2844, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) Mail your comments to 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.

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**Title:** Toxic Chemical Release Reporting, Recordkeeping, Supplier Notification and Petitions under Section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA).

**Background:** EPCRA section 313 requires owners and operators of certain facilities that manufacture, process, or otherwise use any of the more than 650 listed toxic chemicals and chemical categories in excess of applicable threshold quantities to report annually to the Environmental Protection Agency and to the states in which such facilities are located on their environmental releases and other waste management quantities of such chemicals. In addition, section 6607 of the Pollution Prevention Act (PPA) requires that facilities provide information on the quantities of the toxic chemicals in waste streams and the efforts made to reduce or eliminate those quantities.

Annual reporting of toxic chemical releases and other waste management information under EPCRA section 313 provides citizens with a more complete picture of the total disposition of chemicals in their communities and helps focus industries' attention on pollution prevention and source reduction opportunities. EPA believes that the public has a right to know about the disposition of chemicals within communities and the management of such chemicals by facilities in industries subject to EPCRA section 313 reporting. This reporting has been successful in providing communities with important information regarding