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*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on February 12, 2015.

Dated: January 28, 2015.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA HQ-0A-2008-0701; FRL-9922-48-OA]

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Focus Groups as used by EPA for Economics Projects (Renewal)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "Focus Groups as used by EPA for Economics Projects (Renewal)" (EPA ICR No. 2205.15, OMB Control No. 2090-0028) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed renewal of the ICR, which is currently approved through June 30, 2015. 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.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before April 6, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-0A-2008-0701, online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), by email to [oei.docket@epa.gov](mailto:oei.docket@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nathalie Simon, Office of Policy, (MC 1809T), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-566-2347; fax number: 202-566-2363 email address: [simon.nathalie@epa.gov](mailto:simon.nathalie@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Supporting documents which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it to: (i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR

as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

**Abstract:** EPA is seeking renewal of a generic ICR for the conduct of focus groups and protocol interviews (hereafter jointly referred to as focus groups) related to economics projects. Over the next three years, the Agency anticipates embarking on a number of survey development efforts associated with a variety of economics projects including those related to valuation of ecosystems, children's health risks, mortality risk reductions, improvements to coastal waters including the Chesapeake Bay, to name a few. Focus groups are an important part of any survey development process, allowing researchers to directly gauge what specific issues are important to the public and providing a means for explicitly testing draft survey materials. These focus groups will allow the Agency to gain a more in-depth understanding of the public's attitudes, beliefs, motivations and feelings regarding specific issues and will provide valuable information regarding the quality of draft survey instruments.

The information collected in the focus groups may be used to develop and improve economics-related surveys. To the extent that these surveys are ultimately successfully administered, they will serve to expand the Agency's understanding of benefits and costs of a variety of actions and could provide the means to quantitatively assess the effects of others. Participation in the focus groups will be voluntary and the identity of the participants will be kept confidential.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* Individuals.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Voluntary.

*Estimated number of respondents:* 2,066 (total).

*Frequency of response:* Once.

*Total estimated burden:* 1,359 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b)

*Total estimated cost:* \$41,356 (per year), includes \$0 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

*Changes in Estimates:* There is no change in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB.

Dated: January 27, 2015.

**Joel Beauvais,**

*Associate Administrator, Office of Policy.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OW-2012-0217; FRL-9922-38-OW]

**RIN 2040-A537**

### Drinking Water Contaminant Candidate List 4—Draft

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is publishing for public review and comment a draft list of contaminants that are currently not subject to any proposed or promulgated national primary drinking water regulations. These contaminants are known or anticipated to occur in public water systems and may require regulation under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). This draft list is the fourth Contaminant Candidate List (CCL 4) published by the agency since the SDWA amendments of 1996. This Draft CCL 4 includes 100 chemicals or chemical groups and 12 microbial contaminants. The EPA seeks comment on the Draft CCL 4 and on improvements to the selection process for future CCLs for the agency to consider.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 6, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2012-0217, by one of the following methods:

- *http://www.regulations.gov*: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Water Docket, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail code: 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460.
- *Hand Delivery*: Water Docket, EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20004. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

**Instructions:** Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2012-0217. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at *http://www.regulations.gov*, including any

personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through *http://www.regulations.gov* or email. The *http://www.regulations.gov* Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA without going through *http://www.regulations.gov*, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional instructions on submitting comments, go to Section I.B of the **GENERAL INFORMATION** section of this document.

**Docket:** All documents in the docket are listed in the *http://www.regulations.gov* index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in *http://www.regulations.gov* or in hard copy at the Water Docket, EPA/DC, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20004. The 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 Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the EPA Docket Center is (202) 566-2426.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on chemical contaminants contact Meredith Russell, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, Standards and Risk Management Division, at (202) 564-0814 or email *russell.meredith@epa.gov*. For information on microbial contaminants

contact Hannah Holsinger, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, Standards and Risk Management Division, at (202) 564-0403 or email *holsinger.hannah@epa.gov*. For general information contact the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791 or email: *hotline-sdwa@epa.gov*.

### Abbreviations and Acronyms

ATSDR—Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry  
 CA—California  
 CASRN—Chemical Abstract Services Registry Number  
 CDC—Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
 CCL—Contaminant Candidate List  
 CCL 1—EPA's First Contaminant Candidate List  
 CCL 2—EPA's Second Contaminant Candidate List  
 CCL 3—EPA's Third Contaminant Candidate List  
 CCL 4—EPA's Fourth Contaminant Candidate List  
 CFR—Code of Federal Regulations  
 EPA—United States Environmental Protection Agency  
 ESA—Ethanesulfonic acid  
 FL—Florida  
 FR—Federal Register  
 HPC—Heterotrophic Plate Count  
 IL—Illinois  
 MCL—Maximum Contaminant Level  
 MCLG—Maximum Contaminant Level Goal  
 MMWR—Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report  
 NC—North Carolina  
 NCOD—National Contaminant Occurrence Database  
 NDWAC—National Drinking Water Advisory Council  
 NRC—National Academy of Science's National Research Council  
 NPDWR—National Primary Drinking Water Regulation  
 OH—Ohio  
 PCCL 3—Preliminary Contaminant Candidate List 3  
 PCCL 4—Preliminary Contaminant Candidate List 4  
 PFOA—Perfluorooctanoic Acid  
 PFOS—Perfluorooctane Sulfonic Acid  
 PWS—Public Water System  
 SAB—Science Advisory Board  
 SDWA—Safe Drinking Water Act  
 SD—South Dakota  
 STORET—EPA's Storage and Retrieval database of water quality monitoring data collected by water resource management groups across the U.S.  
 TX—Texas  
 UCM—Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule  
 UCMR 1—First Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule  
 UCMR 2—Second Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule  
 USDA—United States Department of Agriculture  
 USEPA—United States Environmental Protection Agency  
 USGS—United States Geological Survey  
 WHO—World Health Organization  
 WI—Wisconsin