

D. What Information is EPA Particularly Interested in?

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.
2. Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimates of the burdens of the proposed collections of information.
3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
4. Minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated or electronic collection technologies or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

IV. What Information Collection Activity or ICR Does this Action Apply to?

EPA is seeking comments on the following ICR:

Title: FIFRA Section 24(c) Special Local Need Registrations.

ICR numbers: EPA ICR No. 0595.09, OMB Control No. 2070-0055.

ICR status: This is a renewal of an existing ICR that is currently approved by OMB and due to expire January 31, 2006.

Abstract: This data collection program is designed to provide EPA with the necessary data to review approval of a state issued pesticide registration. FIFRA section 24(c) authorizes the states to register additional uses of federally registered pesticides for distribution and use within the state to meet a special local need (SLN). A state-issued registration under FIFRA section 24(c) is deemed a federal registration for the purposes of the pesticide's use within the state's boundaries. A state must notify EPA, in writing, of any action it takes, i.e., issues, amends, or revokes a state registration. The Agency has 90 days to disapprove the registration. In such cases, the state is responsible for notifying the affected registrant.

V. What are EPA's Burden and Cost Estimates for this ICR?

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 ICR provides a detailed explanation of this estimate, which is only briefly summarized in this notice. The annual public burden for this ICR is estimated to be 23,400. The following is a summary of the estimates taken from the ICR:

Respondents/affected entities: States and territorial governments.

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 60.

Frequency of response: Annual.

Estimated total/average number of responses for each respondent: 8-9.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 23,400.

Estimated total annual burden costs: \$2,126,520.

VI. Are There Changes in the Estimates from the Last Approval?

The Agency has revised the estimated applicant burden upwards to reflect the average number of petitions that have been received in the last three years, which is 450 annually. In the last renewal for this ICR the annual petition rate was only 350 per year. This trend, coupled with updated 2004 labor figures accounts for the slightly higher burden and cost figures for this ICR renewal. No other program changes have occurred. This proposal represents a burden increase of 5,200 burden hours and \$541,370 in increased burden hour costs over the last ICR renewal.

VII. What is the Next Step in the Process for this ICR?

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 pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the person listed

under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: April 7, 2005.

Susan B. Hazen,

Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2005-0087; FRL-7706-3]

Foreign Purchaser Acknowledgment Statement of Unregistered Pesticides; Renewal of Pesticide Information Collection Activities and Request for Comments

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 EPA is seeking public comment on the following Information Collection Request (ICR): Foreign Purchaser Acknowledgment Statement of Unregistered Pesticides (EPA ICR No. 0161.10, OMB Control No. 2070-0027). This is a request to renew an existing ICR that is currently approved and due to expire on January 31, 2006. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection activity and its expected burden and costs. Before submitting this ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval under the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the collection.

DATES: Written comments, identified by the docket identification (ID) number OPP-2005-0087, must be received on or before June 20, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions as provided in Unit III. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nathanael R. Martin, Field and External Affairs Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (703) 305-6475; fax number: (703) 305-5884; e-

mail address:

martin.nathanael@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you are a business engaged in the manufacturing of pesticides and other agricultural chemicals. Potentially affected entities may include, but are not limited to:

- Manufacturers of pesticides and other agricultural chemicals (NAICS 325320), e.g., exporters of unregistered pesticide products.

This listing is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed above could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether this action might apply to certain entities. To determine whether you or your business may be affected by this action, you should carefully examine the applicability provisions in 40 CFR 168.75. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. How Can I Get Copies of this Document and Other Related Information?

A. Docket

EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket ID number OPP-2005-0087. 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 Confidential Business Information (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 Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1801 S. Bell St., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

B. 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/>.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official 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 appropriate docket ID number.

Certain types of information will not be placed in the EPA Dockets. Information claimed as CBI and other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute, which is not included in the official public docket, will not be available for public viewing in EPA's electronic public docket. EPA's policy is that copyrighted material will not be placed in EPA's electronic public docket but will be available only in printed, paper form in the official public docket. To the extent feasible, publicly available docket materials will be made available in EPA's electronic public docket. When a document is selected from the index list in EPA Dockets, the system will identify whether the document is available for viewing in EPA's electronic public docket. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit II.A. EPA intends to work towards providing electronic access to all of the publicly available docket materials through EPA's electronic public docket.

For public commenters, it is important to note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EPA's electronic public docket as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose 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 EPA's electronic public docket. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket.

Public comments submitted on computer disks that are mailed or delivered to the docket will be transferred to EPA's electronic public docket. Public comments that are mailed or delivered to the docket will be scanned and placed in EPA's electronic public docket. Where practical, physical

objects will be photographed, and the photograph will be placed in EPA's electronic public docket along with a brief description written by the docket staff.

III. How Can I Respond to this Action?

A. How and To Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, identify the appropriate docket ID number in the subject line on the first page of your comment. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. Comments received after the close of the comment period will be marked "late." EPA is not required to consider these late comments. If you wish to submit CBI or information that is otherwise protected by statute, please follow the instructions in Unit III.B. Do not use EPA Dockets or e-mail to submit CBI or information protected by statute.

1. *Electronically.* If you submit an electronic comment as prescribed in this unit, EPA recommends that you include your name, mailing address, and an e-mail address or other contact information in the body of your comment. Also include this contact information on the outside of any disk or CD ROM you submit, and in any cover letter accompanying the disk or CD ROM. This ensures that you can be identified as the submitter of the comment and allows EPA to contact you in case EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties or needs further information on the substance of your comment. EPA's policy is that EPA will not edit your comment, and any identifying or contact information provided in the body of a comment will be included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in EPA's electronic public docket. 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.

i. *EPA Dockets.* Your use of EPA's electronic public docket to submit comments to EPA electronically is EPA's preferred method for receiving comments. Go directly to EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once in the system, select "search," and then key in docket ID number OPP-2005-0087. The system is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity, e-mail address, or

other contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment.

ii. *E-mail.* Comments may be sent by e-mail to opp-docket@epa.gov, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2005-0087. In contrast to EPA's electronic public docket, EPA's e-mail system is not an "anonymous access" system. If you send an e-mail comment directly to the docket without going through EPA's electronic public docket, EPA's e-mail system automatically captures your e-mail address. E-mail addresses that are automatically captured by EPA's e-mail system are included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in EPA's electronic public docket.

iii. *Disk or CD ROM.* You may submit comments on a disk or CD ROM that you mail to the mailing address identified in Unit III.A. These electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect or ASCII file format. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

2. *By mail.* Send your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB) (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2005-0087.

3. *By hand delivery or courier.* Deliver your comments to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1801 S. Bell St., Arlington, VA, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2005-0087. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket's normal hours of operation as identified in Unit II.A.

B. How Should I Submit CBI to the Agency?

Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI electronically through EPA's electronic public docket or by e-mail. You may claim information that you submit to EPA as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI (if you submit CBI on disk or CD ROM, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD ROM the specific information that is 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

docket and EPA's electronic public docket. If you submit the copy that does not contain CBI on disk or CD ROM, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM clearly that it does not contain CBI. Information not marked as CBI will be included in the public docket and EPA's electronic public docket 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.**

C. What Should I Consider when 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 collection activity.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this notice.
8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket ID 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.

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EPA is seeking comments on the following ICR:

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ICR numbers: EPA ICR No. 0161.10, OMB Control No. 2070-0027.

ICR status: This ICR is a renewal of an existing ICR that is currently approved by OMB and is due to expire January 31, 2006.

Abstract: This information collection program is designed to enable EPA to provide notice to foreign purchasers of unregistered pesticides exported from the United States that the pesticide product cannot be sold in the United States. Section 17(a)(2) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) requires an exporter of any pesticide not registered under FIFRA section 3 or sold under FIFRA section 6(a)(1) to obtain a signed statement from the foreign purchaser acknowledging that the purchaser is aware that the pesticide is not registered for use in, and cannot be sold in, the United States. A copy of this statement must be transmitted to an appropriate official of the government in the importing country. The purpose of the purchaser acknowledgment statement requirement is to notify the government of the importing country that a pesticide judged hazardous to human health or the environment, or for which no such hazard assessment has been made, will be imported into that country. This information is submitted in the form of annual or per-shipment statements to EPA, which maintains original records and transmits copies thereof to appropriate government officials of the countries which are importing the pesticide.

V. What are EPA's Burden and Cost Estimates for this ICR?

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 ICR provides a detailed explanation of this estimate, which is only briefly summarized in this notice. The annual public burden for this ICR is estimated to be 24,753 hours. The following is a summary of the estimates taken from the ICR:

Respondents/affected entities: All exporters of unregistered pesticides.

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 2,500.

Frequency of response: Annual or per-shipment.

Estimated total/average number of responses for each respondent: 1–2.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 24,753.

Estimated total annual burden costs: \$2,134,400.

VI. Are There Changes in the Estimates from the Last Approval?

The total annual respondent burden cost for this ICR is estimated to be \$2,134,400, an increase of \$232,000 over the present ICR. This slight increase in respondent burden cost is due to adjustments in labor rates.

VII. What is the Next Step in the Process for this ICR?

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 pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: April 7, 2005.

Susan B. Hazen,

Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Request for Proposals for Projects To Be Funded from the Water Quality Cooperative Agreement Allocation (CFDA 66.463—Water Quality Cooperative Agreements); Correction

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: EPA Region 6 published in the **Federal Register** of March 30, 2005, a notice soliciting proposals funded from the Regional Water Quality Cooperative Agreement allocation. This document is being issued to add and clarify several requirements that must be included in competitive funding announcements according to EPA Order 5700.7, Environmental Results under EPA Assistance Agreements. Additionally, a clarification on how past performance will be evaluated is included. Due to this correction notice, the deadline for submittal of all proposals is May 31, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Terry Mendiola by telephone at 214–665–7144 or by e-mail at mendiola.teresita@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA Region 6 published a notice in the **Federal Register** of March 30, 2005, (FR 05–6300) soliciting proposals for projects to be funded from the Regional Water Quality Cooperative Agreement Allocation. According to EPA Order 5700.7, all competitive funding announcements must include (1) a concise discussion of any expected outputs and outcomes in Section I and (2) ranking criteria for evaluating the applicant's plan for tracking and measuring its progress toward achieving the expected outputs and outcomes.

This correction adds a discussion of the difference between an output and outcome which will be added to Section I and reference to the outputs/outcomes for each priority area is added.

The language in the fourth ranking criteria of Section V regarding the quality of the evaluation component to assess or measure the environmental outcome(s) is corrected to reflect Order 5700.7 more accurately. A discussion for inclusion of this plan will be added in the Environmental Results and Outcomes Section of the proposal format.

This correction also clarifies the criteria for applicant's past performance. Applicant's past performance will be

evaluated. Therefore, the words “if applicable” in the Past Performance criteria in Section V.1. will be deleted. Applicants will have to include any information on performance of past EPA projects similar in scope and relevance to the proposed project under the *Describe Applicant's Capability to Perform Work*: section of the proposal format. Applicants that do not have any relevant past performance will receive a neutral score for this factor. That means applicants will receive a possible 2.5 points out of 5. EPA Region 6 will also evaluate this criteria based on any existing information that is available based on past experience with the applicant.

Due to this correction notice, the date that the proposals must be submitted to EPA Region 6 has been extended. This extension also extends the date that EPA will identify initial selections.

Corrections

In notice FR 03–6300 published on March 30, 2005, (FR 05–6300) make the following corrections.

On page 16267, third column, under **DATES** caption, first sentence, correct the May 16, 2005 date with May 31, 2005.

On page 16267, third column, under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, under “Dates” caption, first sentence, correct the May 16, 2005 date with May 31, 2005.

On page 16267, third column, under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, under “Dates” caption, second sentence, correct the June 28, 2005 date with July 14, 2005.

On page 16268, in the first column, under High Priority Areas for Funding Consideration, second paragraph, add at the end of the second sentence the following:

The expected outputs/outcomes are included in the threshold eligibility criteria in Section III.3. for each priority area topic.

EPA defines “outputs” as an environmental activity, effort, and/or associated work products related to an environmental goal or objective, that will be produced or provided over a period of time or by a specified date. Outputs may be quantitative or qualitative but must be measurable during an assistance agreement funding period.

Outcomes are defined as the result, effect, or consequence that will occur from carrying out an environmental program or activity that is related to an environmental or programmatic goal or objective. Outcomes may be environmental, behavioral, health-related or programmatic in nature, must be quantitative, and may not necessarily