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n. **Protests or Motions to Intervene**—Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Rules of Practice and Procedures, 18 CFR Sections 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application and APEA.

o. **Filing and Service of Responsive Documents**—The Commission is requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, prescriptions, and reply comments.

The Commission directs, pursuant to 18 CFR section 4.34(b) of the regulations, that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions concerning the application and APEA be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice.

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

p. all filings must: (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST," "MOTION TO INTERVENE," "COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," "PRESCRIPTIONS," or "REPLY COMMENTS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application and APEA to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth the evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain

copies of the application and APEA directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to: Director, Division of Licensing and Compliance, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6508-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities Associated With "Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge"; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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 EPA is planning to submit the following proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Standards for The Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge EPA ICR #0229.13 OMB Control #2040-0004

Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 14, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Comment Clerk; Proposed Information Collection and Reporting Request for Compliance with Phase 1 Amendments to the Round 1 Sewage Sludge Regulation; Water Docket MC-4101; U. S. Environmental Protection Agency; 401 M Street, SW; Washington, DC 20460. Respondents are requested to submit an original and three copies of their written comments. Respondents who want receipt of their comments acknowledged should include a self-

addressed, stamped envelope. All submissions must be postmarked or delivered by hand, no facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted.

Copies of the Supporting Statement for this information collection request and the Phase 1 Amendments to Round 1 of the Part 503 rule are available for review at EPA's Water Docket; 401 M Street, SW; Washington, DC 20460. The Docket is located in room EB57. For access to the Docket materials call (202) 260-3027 between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. for an appointment. The EPA public information regulation (40 CFR part 2) provides that a reasonable fee may be charged for copying.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alan B. Rubin, Ph.D., Senior Scientist, Health and Ecological Criteria Division (4304), Office of Science and Technology, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, telephone (202) 260-7589.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those which generate and subsequently dispose of their sewage sludge by incineration and sewage sludge incinerator owner/operators (SSIOOs).

Title: "Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge" EPA ICR #0229.13 OMB Control #2040-0004

Abstract: This ICR estimates the total burden hours for sewage sludge incinerator owners/operators (SSIOOs) to comply with self-implementing requirements for sewage sludge incinerators under Subpart E of 40 CFR Part 503, Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge. On February 19, 1993, EPA published the final 40 CFR Part 503 Rule at 58 FR 9248. For the most part, this rule was designed to be self-implementing with the exception of certain provisions of the sewage sludge incineration Subpart E of the Rule. In order to make the entire Part 503 Rule self-implementing, the Agency on August 4, 1999 at 64 FR 42551 published Phase 1 Amendments to Round 1 of Part 503. Included in these amendments were requirements for SSIOOs to provide the permitting authority certain information as specified in the above-captioned ICR title that would allow the permitting authority to determine whether SSIOOs are in compliance with the numerical standards section of Subpart E of the Part 503 Rule. The specific sections of the Part 503 rule that were amended to effect these requirements are § 503.43(e)(2), 503.43(e)(3)(ii), and 503.43(e)(4). The requirement for SSIOOs to perform air dispersion

modeling and run performance tests to comply with Subpart E numerical standards have always been in the base Part 503 Rule and burden hours for these activities were included in the base Part 503 Rule ICR. However, the base Part 503 Rule required the permitting authority to specify to the SSIOOs the air dispersion model and model parameters to use as well as specify the protocol for running the incinerator performance test. The Phase 1 Amendments now require SSIOOs to select this information from EPA-published guidance documents and to submit this information to the permitting authority. This ICR estimates the burden hours for this activity.

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. Reference is made to Section VII D (*Paper Work Reduction Act*) of the preamble discussion for additional background on this statutory requirement.

The following is a description of the information collection and reporting requirements of this proposed ICR that is needed to satisfy certain sections of these amendments to the Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge published on August 4, 1999 at 64 FR 42551:

(A) Information Collection and Reporting: Description of Air Dispersion Model Selected by the SSIOO, the Values Used for the Model Parameters, and the Results of the Air Dispersion Modeling (§ 503.43(e)(2))

The above-captioned information shall be submitted to the permitting authority within 30 days after completion of the modeling.

(B) Notification of the Permitting Authority: Scheduled Date of the Incinerator Performance Test (§ 503.43(e)(3)(ii))

The above-captioned notification shall be given to the permitting authority at least 30 days prior to the performance test to allow the permitting authority to observe the test. The notice shall include a test protocol with incinerator operating conditions and a list of test methods to be used.

(C) Information Collection and Reporting: Submission of Numerical Pollutant Limits to the Permitting Authority (§ 503.43(e)(4))

The above-captioned information developed to satisfy §§ 503.43(c) and (d) shall be submitted to the permitting

authority no later than 30 days after completion of the air dispersion modeling and incinerator performance test.

Burden Statement: EPA estimates that annually 30 SSIOOs will expend a total of 150 hours at a total cost of \$2734.50 to comply with the information collection and reporting provisions of the Phase 1 Amendments to the Part 503 Standards for the use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge. There are no State costs associated with these requirements.

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.

The EPA would like to solicit comments 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.

Dated: December 6, 1999.

Geoffrey H. Grubbs,

Director, Office of Science and Technology.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6507-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Oral and Written Purchase Orders

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: Oral and Written Purchase Orders, EPA ICR Number 1037.06, OMB Control Number 2030-0007, expiration date March 31, 2000. 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 January 13, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the ICR contact Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by email at farmer.sandy@epa.gov, or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1037.06. For technical information about the collection contact Leigh Pomponio at (202) 564-4364.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Oral and Written Purchase Orders (OMB Control No. 2030-0007; EPA ICR No. 1037.06) expiring 03/31/2000. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: When EPA has a requirement for supplies or services and the value of same is under the simplified acquisition threshold, the Agency solicits verbal or written quotes from potential vendors. Vendor responses are voluntary and generally consist of item name, unit cost, delivery terms, company name, small business status, address, phone number, and point of contact. The Agency uses the collected information to make award decisions and obtain needed supplies and services.

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