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 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 solicits 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: (A) Sewage No-discharge Zones: The need for EPA to obtain information for, or to support, the establishment of no-discharge zones (NDZs) for vessel sewage in state waters stems from CWA sections 312(f)(3), (f)(4)(A), and (f)(4)(B), and implementing regulations at 40 CFR 140.4. No-discharge zones are established to provide greater environmental protection of specified state waters from treated and untreated vessel sewage. This ICR addresses the information requirements associated with the establishment of NDZs for vessel sewage. The information collection activities discussed in this ICR do not require the submission of any confidential information.

(B) UNDS No-discharge Zones: Under section 312(b) of the Clean Water Act (“Uniform National Discharge Standards for Vessels of the Armed Forces” or “UNDS”) no-discharge zones (“NDZs”) for discharges from Armed Forces vessels may be established by either state prohibition or EPA prohibition following the procedures in 40 CFR part 1700. UNDS also provides that the Governor of any state may petition EPA and the Secretary of Defense to review any determination or standard promulgated under the UNDS program if there is significant new information that could reasonably result in a change to the determination or standard. This ICR discusses the information that is required from a state if it decides (1) to establish a NDZ by state prohibition or (2) to apply for a NDZ by EPA prohibition for the UNDS discharges for which EPA and DOD have determined that it is not reasonable or practicable to require a Marine Pollution Control Device to mitigate adverse effects on the marine environment. 40 CFR 1700.5. The ICR also discusses the information that is required from a state to submit a petition for review of EPA and DOD determinations that it is not reasonable or practicable to require a Marine Pollution Control Device for a particular UNDS discharge identified at 40 CFR 1700.5. NDZs for UNDS discharges that do require a Marine Pollution Control Device will not become applicable until after EPA and DOD promulgate performance standards for such Marine Pollution Control Devices, and after DOD promulgates regulations governing the design, construction, installation and use of Marine Pollution Control Devices to meet achieve the performance standards. The information collection activities discussed in this ICR do not require the submission of any confidential information.

Respondent/affecte entities: States. Respondent’s obligation to respond: The responses to this collection of information are required to obtain the benefit of a sewage NDZ (CWA sections 312(f)(3), (f)(4)(A), and (f)(4)(B), and subsequent regulations at 40 CFR 140.4. The responses to this collection of information are required to obtain the benefit of an UNDS NDZ or a review of an UNDS determination or standard (see 33 U.S.C. 1322(a)). Estimated number of respondents: 16 (total).

Frequency of response: One time. Total estimated burden: 2266 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b). Total estimated cost: $108,622 (per year), includes $2,300 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

Changes in Estimates: EPA expects that the burden hours will stay the same as the current estimate for this ICR extension. Cost estimates will likely remain the same or rise when EPA revises them for this ICR extension because of changes in the state and federal labor costs.


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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Request for Public Comments on the List of Candidates for EPA’s Science Advisory Board (SAB) Agricultural Science Committee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites public comments on the list of candidates being considered for appointment to the EPA’s Science Advisory Board (SAB) Agricultural Science Committee to provide advice to the chartered SAB regarding matters referred to the SAB that will have a significant direct impact on farming and agriculture-related industries.

DATES: Nominations should be submitted in time to arrive no later than September 9, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Members of the public wishing to obtain further information may contact Ms. Stephanie Sanzone, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) for the committee, by email at sanzone.stephanie@epa.gov.
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL 9932–75–OECA]

Applicability Determination Index (ADI) Database System Recent Posting:

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces applicability determinations, alternative monitoring decisions, and regulatory interpretations that EPA has made under the New Source Performance Standards (NSPS); the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP); and/or the Stratospheric Ozone Protection Program.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: An electronic copy of each complete document posted on the Applicability Determination Index (ADI) database system is available on the Internet through the Resources and Guidance Documents for Compliance Assistance page of the Clean Air Act Compliance Monitoring Web site under “Air” at: http://www2.epa.gov/compliance/resources-and-guide/documents-compliance-assistance. The letters and memoranda on the ADI may be located by control number, date, author, subpart, or subject search. For questions about the ADI or this notice, contact Maria Malave at EPA by phone at: (202) 564–7027, or by email at: malave.maria@epa.gov. For technical questions about individual applicability determinations or monitoring decisions, refer to the contact person identified in the individual documents, or in the absence of a contact person, refer to the author of the document.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The General Provisions of the NSPS in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 60 and the General Provisions of the NESHAP in 40 CFR part 61 provide that a source owner or operator may request a determination of whether certain intended actions constitute the commencement of construction, reconstruction, or modification. EPA’s written responses to these inquiries are commonly referred to as applicability determinations. See 40 CFR 60.5 and 61.06. Although the NESHAP part 63 regulations [which include Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT) standards and/or Generally Available Control Technology (GACT) standards] and Section 111(d) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) contain no specific regulatory provision providing that sources may request applicability determinations, EPA also responds to written inquiries regarding applicability for the part 63 and section 111(d) programs. The NSPS and NESHAP also allow sources to seek permission to use monitoring or recordkeeping that is different from the promulgated requirements. See 40 CFR 60.13(i), 61.14(g), 63.8(b)(1), 63.8(f), and 63.10(f). EPA’s written responses to these inquiries are commonly referred to as alternative monitoring decisions. Furthermore, EPA responds to written inquiries about the broad range of NSPS and NESHAP regulatory requirements as they pertain to a whole source category. These inquiries may pertain, for example, to the type of sources to which the regulation applies, or to the testing, monitoring, recordkeeping, or reporting requirements contained in the regulation. EPA’s written responses to these inquiries are commonly referred to as regulatory interpretations. EPA currently compiles EPA-issued NSPS and NESHAP applicability determinations, alternative monitoring decisions, and regulatory interpretations, and posts them to the ADI on a quarterly basis. In addition, the ADI contains EPA-issued responses to requests pursuant to the stratospheric ozone regulations, contained in 40 CFR part 82. The ADI is an electronic index on the Internet with over one thousand EPA letters and memoranda pertaining to the applicability, monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements of the NSPS, NESHAP, and stratospheric ozone regulations. Users can search for letters and memoranda by date, office of issuance, subpart, citation, control number, or by string word searches.

Today’s notice comprises a summary of 42 such documents added to the ADI on August 10, 2015. This notice lists the subject and header of each letter and memorandum, as well as a brief abstract of the letter or memorandum. Complete copies of these documents may be obtained from the ADI on the Internet through the Resources and Guidance Documents for Compliance Assistance page of the Clean Air Act Compliance Monitoring Web site under “Air” at: http://www2.epa.gov/compliance/resources-and-guide/documents-compliance-assistance.