

completing the program for which the Teach Grant was awarded. The TEACH Grant program regulations are required to ensure accountability of the program participants, both institutions and student recipients, for proper program administration, to determine eligibility to receive program benefits and to prevent fraud and abuse of program funds. The regulations include both record-keeping and reporting requirements. The record-keeping by the school allows for review of compliance with the regulation during on-site institutional reviews. The Department uses the required reporting to allow for close-out of institutions that are no longer participating or who lose eligibility to participate in the program.

Dated: January 16, 2018.

**Kate Mullan,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9973-04-OW]

### Environmental Financial Advisory Board Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting of the Environmental Financial Advisory Board.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Environmental Financial Advisory Board (EFAB) will hold a public meeting on February 20-21, 2018. EFAB is an EPA advisory committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act to provide advice and recommendations to EPA on creative approaches to funding environmental programs, projects, and activities.

**DATES:** The full board meeting will be held Tuesday, February 20, 2018 from 1:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m., and Wednesday, February 22, 2018 from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Willard Intercontinental Washington Hotel, 1401 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, DC 20004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, or to request accommodations for a disability, please contact Sandra Williams at (202) 564-4999 or [williams.sandra@epa.gov](mailto:williams.sandra@epa.gov), at least 10 days prior to the meeting to

allow as much time as possible to process your request.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting is to hear from informed speakers on environmental finance issues, proposed legislation, and EPA priorities; to discuss activities, progress, and preliminary recommendations with regard to current EFAB work projects; and to consider request for assistance from EPA program offices. Environmental finance discussions and presentations are expected on, but not limited to, the following topics: Predevelopment practices and funding tools that can assist local governments in evaluating public-private partnership as alternatives to current infrastructure delivery methods; developing metrics for measuring success of funding programs for water quality restoration in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed; financing and funding strategies that complement water system regionalization/consolidation; resilience investment and disaster recovery financing mechanisms; scoping and evaluation of a market-based Rural Alaska Waste Backhaul Service Program; and drinking water and clean water SRF funding to address lead fixture replacement projects. The meeting is open to the public; however, seating is limited. All members of the public who wish to attend the meeting must register, in advance, no later than Monday, January 26, 2018.

Dated: December 22, 2017.

**Andrew Sawyers,**

*Director, Office of Wastewater Management, Office of Water.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OEI-2011-0096; FRL-9973-06-OEI]

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (Renewal)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule" (EPA ICR No. 2002.07, OMB Control No. 2025-0003) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with

the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through July 31, 2018. 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 March 20, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OEI-2011-0096, 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:** Karen Seeh, Office of Environmental Information, (2823T), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-566-1175; fax number: 202-566-1684; email address: [seeh.karen@epa.gov](mailto:seeh.karen@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:** The scope of this ICR is the electronic reporting components of CROMERR, which is designed to: (i) Allow EPA to comply with the Government Paperwork Elimination Act of 1998; (ii) provide a uniform, technology-neutral framework for electronic reporting across all EPA programs; (iii) allow EPA programs to offer electronic reporting as they become ready for CROMERR; and (iv) provide states with a streamlined process—together with a uniform set of standards—for approval of their electronic reporting provisions for all their EPA-authorized programs. Responses to the collection of information are voluntary. In order to accommodate CBI, the information collected must be in accordance with the confidentiality regulations set forth in 40 CFR part 2, subpart B. Additionally, EPA will ensure that the information collection procedures comply with the Privacy Act of 1974 and the OMB Circular 108.

**Form Numbers:** None.

**Respondents/Affected Entities:**

Entities that report electronically to EPA and state or local government authorized programs; and state and local government authorized programs implementing electronic reporting.

**Respondent's Obligation To Respond:**

Voluntary, required to obtain or retain a benefit (Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (CROMERR) established to ensure compliance with the Government Paperwork Elimination Act (GPEA)).

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 175,047 (total).

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion.

**Total Estimated Burden:** 112,717 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

**Total Estimated Cost:** \$5,151,934 (per year), includes \$4,615,463 in annualized labor costs and \$536,471 in annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

**Changes in Estimates:** There is an increase of 63,113 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. This increase occurred primarily because EPA accounted for the expected burden associated with the implementation of the e-Manifest system. (The e-Manifest Act extends the scope of the federal manifest program to include state hazardous waste, i.e., wastes regulated by a state but not EPA.) Under the e-Manifest system, all respondents that submit manifests electronically must first register with the Central Data Exchange (CDX). In addition, respondents that intend to use a PIN/Password must prepare an electronic subscriber agreement. EPA believes that the estimated number of respondents included in this ICR is a reasonable approximation of the actual respondent universe.

Dated: January 10, 2018.

**Connie Dwyer,**

*Director, Information Exchange Services Division.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2017-0639; FRL-9973-12-OAR]

### Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Recordkeeping and Reporting of the Production, Import, Export, Destruction, Transshipment, and Exempted Uses of Ozone-Depleting Substances (Renewal)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "Recordkeeping and Reporting of the Production, Import, Export, Destruction, Transshipment, and Exempted Uses of Ozone-Depleting Substances (Renewal)" (EPA ICR No. 1432.32, OMB Control No. 2060-0170) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through August, 2018, combined with two other ICRs for ozone-depleting substances (ODS). 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 March 20, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2017-0639 online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

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#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Katherine Sleasman, Stratospheric Protection Division, (6205T), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564-7716; fax number: (202) 564-4775; email address: [sleasman.katherine@epa.gov](mailto:sleasman.katherine@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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