and state or tribal requests for dispute resolution under CWA section 518(e). This ICR also covers periodic requests to states and tribes for voluntary WQS information, and for voluntary participation in workgroups, to ensure efficient and effective administration of the WQS program and further cooperative federalism.

Form Numbers: None.

Respondents/affected entities: States, the District of Columbia, territories, authorized tribes with EPA approved Water Quality Standards, tribal estimated to apply for TAS to administer the WQS program; and dischargers located in the Great Lakes watershed.

Respondent’s obligation to respond: Mandatory, required to obtain or retain benefits pursuant to the WQS regulation or voluntary.

Estimated number of respondents: 376.

Frequency of response: Once every three years; on occasion; once.

Total estimated burden: 505,387 hours per year. Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

Total estimated cost: $23,017,849 per year, including $22,754,329 of labor costs and $263,520 of annualized operation and maintenance costs.

Changes in the Estimates: There is a decrease of 235,640 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the total burden currently approved by OMB for all three ICRs. This is due to adjustments made to the EPA burden estimates based on experience gained since the previous ICRs were approved (e.g., using more realistic estimates of the number of WQS variance actions to be submitted annually).

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY


Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NESHAP for Carbon Black, Ethylene, Cyanide and Spandex (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR), NESHAP for Carbon Black, Ethylene, Cyanide and Spandex (EPA ICR Number 1983.08, OMB Control Number 2060–0489), to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through December 31, 2018. Public comments were previously submitted via the Federal Register on June 29, 2017, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. A fuller description of the ICR is given below, including its estimated burden and cost to the public. An agency may neither conduct nor sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before November 13, 2018.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA–HQ–OECA–2014–0082, to: (1) EPA online using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), or by email to docket.oeca@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; and (2) OMB via email to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Address comments to OMB Desk Officer for EPA.

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.

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.

Abstract: The National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for the Generic Maximum Achievable Control Technology (GMAC) Standards published at (40 CFR part 63, subpart YY) apply to existing and new carbon black (CB), cyanide (CY), ethylene (ET), and spandex (SP) facilities that would be subject to the major source provisions specified under the GMAC NESHAP. New facilities include those that commenced construction or reconstruction after the date of proposal. In general, all NESHAP standards require initial notifications, performance tests, and periodic reports by the owners/operators of the affected facilities. They are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. These notifications, reports, and records are essential in determining compliance, and are required of all affected facilities subject to NESHAP.

Form Numbers: None.

Respondents/affected entities: Carbon black production, cyanide production, ethylene production, and spandex production facilities.

Respondent’s obligation to respond: Mandatory (40 CFR part 63, subpart YY).

Estimated number of respondents: 61 (total).

Frequency of response: Initially, occasionally, and semiannually.

Total estimated burden: 41,800 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

Total estimated cost: $4,930,000 (per year), which includes $351,000 in annualized capital/startup and/or operation and maintenance costs.

Changes in the Estimates: There is an increase of 61 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. The adjustment increase in burden from the most-recently approved ICR is the addition of burden hours to account for the time spent by existing facilities to re-familiarize themselves annually with the rule requirements.

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