

- A brief statement describing the nominee's interest in serving on the GLAB;
- A resume and a short biography (no more than two paragraphs) describing the professional and educational qualifications of the nominee, including a list of relevant activities and any current or previous service on Federal advisory committees; and
- A description of the nominee's EPA grant funding history including current EPA grant activities if applicable. If this does not apply to the nominee, please provide a brief statement indicating so.
- *Optional:* Letter(s) of recommendation from a third party supporting the nomination. Letter(s) should describe how the nominee's experience and knowledge will bring value to the work of the GLAB.

To help the Agency evaluate the effectiveness of its outreach efforts, nominees are requested to use their submission packages to identify how they became aware of this request for nominations.

Public Interest Determination

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.65, this notice, announcing that the GLAB is being renewed, must include the written public interest determination (PID) approved by the head of the agency described in 41 CFR 102–3.60(a) and any assessment provided by the General Services Administration's Committee Management Secretariat (the Secretariat). The PID included in this Unit has been provided to the Secretariat. The Secretariat has approved this PID without comment or assessment.

Pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 102–3.60(a), to establish, renew, reestablish, or merge a discretionary (agency discretion) advisory committee, an agency must first consult with the Secretariat and, as part of the consultation, provide a written public interest determination approved by the head of the agency to the Secretariat with a copy to the Office of Management and Budget. In addition, pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 102–3.35, an agency shall follow the same consultation process and document in writing the same determination of need before creating a subcommittee under a discretionary committee that is not made up entirely of members of a parent advisory committee. Information on the following factors for the committee was provided to the Secretariat to demonstrate that reestablishing the committee is in public interest:

1. *Annual budget:* The estimated Annual Budget for the GLAB is \$129,389. The estimated annual federal personnel on a full-time equivalent

(FTE) basis is 0.5 FTE. The estimate for other Federal internal costs is \$32,139. The GLAB will be composed of approximately 15 representative members who will not be paid.

2. *If applicable, the total dollar value of grants expected to be recommended during the fiscal year is:* N/A.

3. *Criteria for selecting members to ensure the committee has the necessary expertise and fairly balanced membership:* In selecting members, EPA will consider candidates from a broad range of interests relating to the Great Lakes, including but not limited to, state, Tribal, and local governments, environmental groups, industry, business groups, agricultural groups, foundations, and academia.

4. *List of all other Federal advisory committees of the agency:*

Science Advisory Committee on
 Chemicals
 National Environmental Education
 Advisory Council
 National Drinking Water Advisory
 Council
 Local Government Advisory Committee
 Human Studies Review Board
 Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest
 System Advisory Board
 Good Neighbor Environmental Board
 Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and
 Rodenticide Act Scientific Advisory
 Panel
 Farm, Ranch, and Rural Communities
 Advisory Committee
 EPA Science Advisory Board
 Environmental Financial Advisory
 Board
 Clean Air Scientific Advisory
 Committee
 Children's Health Protection Advisory
 Committee
 Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee

5. *Justification that the information or advice provided by the Federal advisory committee or subcommittee is not available from another Federal advisory committee, another Federal Government source, or any other more cost-effective and less burdensome source:* The GLAB provides EPA with the collective recommendations of state and local governments, Tribes and other Great Lakes interests to more effectively carry out Great Lakes restoration. There are no other existing EPA advisory committees that have a mission to advise on protecting and restoring the Great Lakes. Likewise, existing committees do not have the breadth of experience that is needed to inform the Agency on Great Lakes environmental issues from various viewpoints. Bringing together a cross-section of individuals with the needed range of experience and perspectives facilitates a more effective

discussion of the technical issues and policy options that will support adequate evaluation of, and input into, EPA positions and actions.

6. *If the consultation is a committee renewal, a summary of the previous accomplishments of the committee and the reasons it needs to continue:* The GLAB did not convene in the previous Fiscal Year, but will be refocused and updated for FY27 and upcoming FYs. Accomplishments from previous GLABs include reports with specific, actionable near-term and long-term recommendations for EPA regarding pressing Great Lakes issues.

7. *Explanation of why the committee/subcommittee is essential to the conduct of agency business:* The Great Lakes Advisory Board (GLAB) supports the EPA in achieving the restoration and protection goals of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) as outlined in Section 118 of the Clean Water Act. The Great Lakes is a vast, shared resource and protecting and restoring them requires the collective ideas and experience of the Great Lakes community. The GLAB provides a forum where EPA can have the full benefit of the ideas and experience of both government and non-governmental partners.

In conclusion, this public interest determination documents that renewing the committee is in the public interest, essential to the conduct of agency business, and that the information to be obtained is not already available through another advisory committee or source within the Federal Government.

Dated: October 19, 2026.

Anne Vogel,

Regional Administrator, Region 5.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OLEM–2018–0081; FRL–13683–01–OFA]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Application for Reimbursement to Local Governments for Emergency Response to Hazardous Substance Releases Under CERCLA Section 123 (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an

information collection request (ICR), Application for Reimbursement to Local Governments for Emergency Response to Hazardous Substance Releases Under CERCLA Section 123 (EPA ICR Number 1425.15, OMB Control Number 2050–0077) 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 October 31, 2026. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on April 23, 2026 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before November 30, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA–HQ–OLEM–2018–0081, to EPA online using 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.

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. Submit written comments and recommendations to OMB for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Miranda Magdangal, Response Readiness and Development Division, Office of Superfund and Emergency Management, MC–5101–T, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (240) 618–0660; email address: magdangal.miranda@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through October 31, 2026. 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.

Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on April 23, 2026 during a 60-day comment period (91 FR 21809). This notice allows

for an additional 30 days for public comments. 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 Agency requires applicants for reimbursement under this program authorized under section 123 of CERCLA to submit an application that demonstrates consistency with program eligibility requirements. This is necessary to ensure proper use of the Superfund. EPA reviews the information to ensure compliance with all statutory and program requirements. The applicants are local governments who have incurred expenses, above and beyond their budgets, for hazardous substance response. Submission of this information is voluntary and to the applicant's benefit.

Form Numbers: 9310–1.

Respondents/affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are local governments that apply for reimbursement under this program.

Respondent's obligation to respond: Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits (CERCLA section 123).

Estimated number of respondents: 15.

Frequency of response: On occasion.

Total estimated burden: 131.25 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

Total estimated cost: \$5,906.25 (per year), which includes \$0 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

Changes in the estimates: There is a decrease of 39 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. While the individual respondent burden hours have slightly increased, the overall respondent burden has decreased due to fewer applications expected annually. Some minor changes were made to the application form. These changes are considered adjustments.

Courtney Kerwin,

Deputy Director, Data and Enterprise Programs Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–13417–01–OMS]

Cross-Media Electronic Reporting: Announcement of Determination To Approve Authorized Program Revisions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) approval of requests to revise/modify EPA-authorized programs to allow electronic reporting from Arkansas Energy and Environment (E&E), Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (AZDEQ), Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP), Delaware Department of Technology & Information—Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DTI–DNREC), Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ), Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM), Kentucky Department of Water (DOW), Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District (LMAPCD), Maryland Department of Environment (MDE), Mecklenburg County Air Quality, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ), Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE), Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Tennessee Department of Environmental Conservation (TNDEC), and Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dorothy Slaughter; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; telephone number: (919) 541–2176; email address: slaughter.dorothy@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 13, 2005, the final Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Rule (CROMERR) was published in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 59848, October 13, 2005) and codified as part 3 of title 40 of the CFR. CROMERR establishes electronic reporting as an acceptable regulatory alternative to paper reporting and establishes requirements to assure that electronic documents are as legally dependable as their paper counterparts. Subpart D of CROMERR requires that