

by the use of the words "State Water Quality Program Management Gap Analysis ICR Comments." No confidential business information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail. Comments and data will also be accepted on disks in Corel WordPerfect 8 format or ASCII file format. Electronic comments on this notice may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

The record for this proposed ICR has been established by the Office of Wastewater Management, Resource Management and Evaluation Staff and includes supporting documentation as well as printed, paper versions of electronic comments. It does not include any information claimed as CBI. The record is available for inspection from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays, at the Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Wastewater Management, Resource Management and Evaluation Staff, Northeast Mall Room 2310, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460. For access to the docket materials, please call (202)-260-6742 to schedule an appointment.

Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are State governments. Major respondents are State governments.

Title: State Water Quality Program Management Gap Analysis.

Abstract: EPA, in partnership with States, is conducting the State Water Quality Management Gap Analysis to help enumerate current and future funding needs and to help identify innovative strategies for reducing resource gaps. To develop preliminary information in a short time frame, the Gap Analysis was divided into two phases. Phase I consisted of the development of a preliminary estimate of the national resource gap faced by water quality management programs to provide a general idea of the magnitude of the resource gap based on initial estimates provided by members of a State/EPA work group.

Phase II of the Gap Analysis involves developing a detailed, activity-based workload model to provide a common framework for States and EPA to estimate the resource needs necessary to assess specific water quality concerns. To complete the model and develop a realistic estimate, EPA's Office of Wastewater Management needs data on the resources needed from each individual State for water quality management activities.

This is a one time collection effort by the Office of Wastewater Management and responses to this ICR are voluntary. The collection is necessary to develop a

detailed activity-based workload model that will provide an estimate of the resource gap facing water quality management programs. EPA will use the collected information to estimate resource needs for water quality management activities.

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.

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.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 180.5 hours per State respondent. Approximately 20 States are expected to respond to this information collection request, for a total estimated annual burden of 3,602.5 hours and a total estimated cost of \$144,100. The total estimated burden for this information collection activity, including the Agency, is 4,141 hours nationally; the estimated total cost is \$165,117. There are no record keeping 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.

Dated: January 6, 2000.

Michael B. Cook,

Director, Office of Wastewater Management.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-00274A; FRL-6487-8]

Voluntary Children's Health Chemical Testing Program; Cancellation of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; cancellation of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The public meeting on the Voluntary Children's Health Chemical Testing Program scheduled for January 19-20, 2000, is canceled. This meeting was announced in the **Federal Register** of August 26, 1999 (64 FR 46673) (FRL-6089-1), and was intended to be the third public meeting in a Stakeholder Involvement Process to develop a voluntary program to test commercial chemicals to which children have a high likelihood of exposure. On a future date, EPA will announce a new date for the third stakeholder meeting and will describe how that meeting will be conducted.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information contact: Joseph S. Carra, Deputy Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (7401), Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone numbers: (202) 554-1404 and TDD: (202) 260-1730; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

For technical information contact: Ward Penberthy, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Chemical Control Division (7405), Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 260-0508; e-mail address: chem.rtk@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Notice Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA),

individuals or groups concerned with chemical testing and children's health, or animal welfare groups. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT."

II. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document or Other Related Documents?

1. *Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register--Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

To access information about the Voluntary Children's Health Chemical Testing Program go to the website address: <http://www.epa.gov/chemrtk/childhlt.htm>. For information on the first and second stakeholder meetings go to the website address: <http://www.epa.gov/chemrtk> and select "Meeting Archives."

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for the Stakeholder Involvement Process for the Voluntary Children's Health Chemical Testing Program under docket control number OPPTS-00274. The record consists of public comments received during past comment periods, and other information related to the Voluntary Children's Health Chemical Testing Program. This record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments that may be submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, North East Mall, Rm. B-607, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. The Center is open from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number of the Center is (202) 260-7099.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Children, Hazardous substances, Health and safety.

Dated: January 10, 2000.

William H. Sanders III.

Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-211044; FRL-6487-7]

TSCA Section 21 Petition; Notice of Receipt

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces receipt of a petition submitted by five organizations under section 21 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), and requests comments on the petition. The organizations have petitioned EPA to initiate rulemaking proceedings with respect to all chemicals included on the HPV (high production volume chemical) Challenge Program list as updated through the date of initiation of the requested proceedings for: The issuance of a TSCA section 8(a) Preliminary Assessment Information Reporting (PAIR) rule and issuance of a Health and Safety Data Reporting rule under TSCA section 8(d). The petitioners further petition that "[s]uch rule should neither be limited to participants in the Challenge Program nor exclude substances or mixtures as to which a participant has enrolled in the Program." Under TSCA section 21, the Agency must respond to the petition by March 28, 2000.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before February 3, 2000. The Agency will accept comments received after that date, but cannot guarantee that they will be considered prior to preparing its response to the petition.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I. of

"SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION." To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number OPPTS-211044 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information contact: Joseph S. Carra, Deputy Director, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (7401), Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone

numbers: (202) 554-1404 and TDD: (202) 554-0551; e-mail address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to chemical manufacturers (including importers). Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT."

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2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPPTS-211044. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as confidential business information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during