ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5430-7]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Tribal Assumption of the Clean Water Act, Section 404 Permit Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) renewal has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Tribal Assumption of the Clean Water Act, Section 404 Permit Program, OMB Control Number 2040–0140, expiring 02/29/96. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 28, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL: Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260–2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 1542.03. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Tribal Assumption of the Clean Water Act, Section 404 Permit Program, OMB Control Number 2040–0140, EPA ICR No. 1542.03), expiring 02/29/96. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Federally recognized Indian Tribes are eligible to request assumption of the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404 permit program. Tribes must demonstrate that they meet the requirements in Section 518 of CWA as well as the Section 404 program specific requirements of 40 CFR part 233.

To assume the Section 404 permit program, Tribes must have a wetlands permit program similar to the Federal permit program. The Tribe must submit sufficient information for EPA to determine that the Tribe's program:

- Has an equivalent scope of jurisdiction as the Federal program,
- Regulates at least the same activities as the Federal program,
- —Provides for sufficient public participation,
- Ensures compliance with the Section 404(b)(1) Guidelines, which provide environmental criteria for permit decisions, and
- —Has adequate enforcement authority.
 EPA eliminated unnecessary duplication when revised regulations

were published in December 1994. Prior to this regulatory revision, Tribes first had to qualify for "treatment as a State." Only after the Tribe completed the "treatment as a State" determination, could the Tribe apply to assume the Section 404 permit program. Under the revised regulations, this is all done at the same time with only one submission needed from the Tribe, instead of the previous two separate submissions.

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. The Federal Register Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 10/12/95 (60 FR 53184); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 520 hours per response. 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.

Responents/Affected Entities: Indian Tribes.

Estimated Number of Respondents: One per year.

Frequency of Response: One time.
Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:
520 hours.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1542.03 and OMB Control No. 2040–0140 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2136), 401 M Street SW., Washington, DC 20460. and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 20, 1996.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division. [FR Doc. 96–4390 Filed 2–26–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–M

[FRL-5430-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Water Quality Standards Regulation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) renewal has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Water Quality Standards Regulation (OMB Control Number 2040–0049; expiring February 29, 1996). The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 28, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL: Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260–2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 988.06.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Water Quality Standards Regulation (OMB Control No. 2040– 0049; EPA ICR No. 0988.05, expiring on 2/29/96. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Water quality standards are provisions of Federal, State, or Tribal law which consist of designated uses for the waters of the United States, water quality criteria for the waters based on such uses, and an antidegradation policy. Such standards serve two primary purposes. First, they define water quality goals for water bodies. Second, they serve as a regulatory basis for establishing water quality-based treatment controls and strategies beyond technology-based treatment required by Sections 301 and 306 of the Clean Water Act (CWA).

The Water Quality Standards Regulation (the Regulation) describes requirements and procedures for the States and Indian Tribes to develop, review, and revise their water quality standards regulations and for EPA to review and approve the water quality standards. Additionally, the Regulation outlines procedures whereby Indian Tribes can qualify to receive EPA authorization to administer the water quality standards program contained in Section 303 of the CWA. Finally, the Regulation contains a dispute mechanism to aid in resolving disputes which may arise between States and Indian Tribes over differing water quality standards on common bodies of water.

This information collection covers State/Tribal submissions of water quality standards to EPA for review and approval, and Tribal applications submitted to EPA for authorization to administer the water quality standards program. Additionally, this information collection covers the submission of information by States and Indian Tribes to EPA for use in resolving disputes that arise on common bodies of water.

The information collection schedule is required pursuant to the mandates of CWA Sections 303(c) and 518. Indian Tribes (that are authorized to administer the water quality standards program) and States are required to hold hearings at least once every three years for the purposes of reviewing and, if appropriate, revising their water quality standards. Tribal applications for authorization to administer the water quality standards program are a one-time collection of information. Requests for dispute resolution are also a one-time collection of information per dispute

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. The Federal Register Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 10/25/95 (60 FR 54682); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2,500 hours per response. 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.

Respondents/Affected Entities: States, Territories, and Indian Tribes.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 77.

Frequency of Response: Once. Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 193,980 hours.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 988.06 and OMB Control No. 2040–0049 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2136), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460. and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 20, 1996.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division. [FR Doc. 96–4389 Filed 2–26–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–P

[FRL-5430-8; OMB No. 2060-0106 EPA No. 0649.06]

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D)), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) for 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart EE—Surface Coating of Metal Furniture described below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 28, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL:

Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260–2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 0649.06.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart EE—Surface Coating of Metal Furniture (OMB Control No. 2060–0106; EPA ICR No. 0649.06.). This is a request for revision of a currently approved collection. The standards require initial notification reports with respect to construction, modification, reconstruction, startups, shutdowns, and malfunctions. The standards also require reports on initial performance tests.

Abstract: The control of emissions of VOCs from the metal furniture surface coating industry requires not only the installation of properly designed equipment, but also the operation and maintenance of that equipment. Emissions of VOCs from the metal furniture surface coating industry are the result of the application and curing or drying of organic coatings on the surface of each metal furniture part or product. These standards rely on the reduction of VOC emissions through either a capture system and incinerator or a capture system and solvent recovery system.

In order to ensure compliance with these standards, adequate recordkeeping is necessary. In the absence of such information enforcement personnel would be unable to determine whether the standards are being met on a continuous basis, as required by the Clean Air Act. 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. The Federal Register Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on November 24, 1995 and no comments were received.

Burden Statement: Each year of this request the EPA will receive 1600 responses. These responses include notification of start-up and performance test results for a total 186 responses, quarterly exceedance reports for a total of 472 responses, and semi-annual non-exceedance reports for a total of 942 responses. The reporting and recordkeeping burden can be separated into two parts. Initial start-up, performance testing, and notification