

## SUBMISSION OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Week of February 24 through February 28, 1997]

Date	Name and location of applicant	Case No.	Type of submission
Feb. 25, 1997 .....	Chemical Weapons Working Group, Inc., Boulder, Colorado.	VFA-0272	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The December 13, 1996 Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the DOE Federal Energy Technology Center would be rescinded, and Chemical Weapons Working Group, Inc. would receive access to certain DOE information.
Feb. 26, 1997 .....	Personnel Security Hearing .....	VSO-0137	Request for hearing under 10 CFR part 710. If granted: An individual employed by a contractor of the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 CFR part 710.
Feb. 28, 1997 .....	Personnel Security Hearing .....	VSO-0138	Request for hearing under 10 CFR part 710. If granted: An individual employed by a contractor of the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 CFR part 710.

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**Notice of Cases Filed; Week of March 3 through March 7, 1997**

During the Week of March 3 through March 7, 1997, the appeals,

applications, petitions or other requests listed in this Notice were filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the Department of Energy.

Any person who will be aggrieved by the DOE action sought in any of these cases may file written comments on the application within ten days of publication of this Notice or the date of

receipt of actual notice, whichever occurs first. All such comments shall be filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, Washington, D.C. 20585-0107.

Dated: March 21, 1997.

**George B. Breznay,***Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.*

## LIST OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

[Week of March 3 through March 7, 1997]

Date	Name and location of applicant	Case No.	Type of submission
Mar. 3, 1997 .....	Burlin McKinney, Oliver Springs, TN .....	VFA-0273	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The February 20, 1997, Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Office of Inspector General would be rescinded, and Burlin McKinney would receive access to certain DOE information.
Do .....	Hampton Gas Co., Inc., Hampton, SC ....	VEE-0041	Exception to the reporting requirements. If granted: Hampton Gas Co., Inc. would not be required to file Form EIA-782B, Resellers'/Retailer's Monthly Petroleum Product Sales Report.
Mar. 4, 1997 .....	Personnel Security Hearing .....	VSO-0139	Request for hearing under 10 CFR part 710. If granted: An individual employed by the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 CFR Part 710.
Do .....	Personnel Security Review .....	VSA-0106	Request for review of opinion under 10 CFR part 710. If granted: The Opinion of the Office of Hearings and Appeals, Case No. VSO-0106, would be reviewed at the request of an individual employed by the Department of Energy.
Mar. 5, 1997 .....	Alex German, Brooklyn, NY .....	VFA-0275	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by Environmental Measurements Laboratory would be rescinded, and Alex German would receive access to certain DOE information.
Do .....	Edris Oil Service, Inc., York, PA .....	VEE-0042	Exception to the reporting requirements. If granted: Edris Oil Service, Inc. would not be required to file Form EIA-782B Resellers'/Retailer's Monthly Petroleum Product Sales Report.
Do .....	Personnel Security Hearing .....	VSO-0140	Request for hearing under 10 CFR part 710. If granted: An individual employed by a contractor of the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 CFR Part 710.
Do .....	Richard J. Levernier, Germantown, MD ..	VFA-0274	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The February 27, 1997, Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Office of Inspector General would be rescinded, and Richard J. Levernier would receive access to certain DOE information.
Mar. 7, 1997 .....	Daniel J. Bruno, Upper Marlboro, MD .....	VFA-0141	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The February 28, 1997, Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Office of the Executive Secretariat would be rescinded, and Daniel J. Bruno would receive access to certain DOE information.

## LIST OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS—Continued

[Week of March 3 through March 7, 1997]

Date	Name and location of applicant	Case No.	Type of submission
Do .....	Glen Milner, Seattle, WA .....	VFA-0278	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The February 12, 1997, Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by Albuquerque Operations Office would be rescinded, and Glen Milner would receive access to certain DOE information.
Do .....	Personnel Security Hearing .....	VSO-0141	Request for hearing under 10 CFR part 710. If granted: An individual employed by a contractor of the Department of Energy would receive a hearing under 10 CFR Part 710.
Do .....	Personnel Security Hearing .....	VSO-0142	Request for hearing under 10 CFR part 710. If granted: An individual employed by a contractor of the Department would receive a hearing under 10 CFR Part 710.
Do .....	Terry J. Fox, Lacey, WA .....	VFA-0276	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The January 21, 1997, Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Bonneville Power Administration would be rescinded, and Terry J. Fox would receive access to certain DOE information.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5804-8]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Public Water Systems Supervision 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 EPA is planning to submit the following continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Public Water Systems Supervision Program, EPA No. 0270.36; OMB No. 2040-0090, which expires on 3/31/97. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the existing information collection as described below.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before May 30, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water. People interested in getting information or making comments about these ICRs should direct inquiries or comments to the Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, Mail Code 4601, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water's Public Water Systems Supervision Program Information

Collection Request Service Line: 202-260-2050 or through E-mail Donaher.Clare@epamail.epa.gov.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Affected entities:** Entities potentially affected by this action are Public Water Systems, primacy agents including regulators in the States, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Trust Territories; Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages, and in some instances, U. S. EPA Regional Administrators and staff.

**Title:** Information Collection Request for Public Water Systems Supervision Program, expires March 31, 1997.

**Abstract:** This ICR contains record keeping and reporting requirements that are mandatory for compliance with 40 CFR Parts 141 and 142. Sections 1401 and 1412 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), as amended, require EPA to establish National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs) that ensure the safety of drinking water.

These regulations guarantee that exposure to contaminants—microbial, organic and inorganic chemicals, and radionuclides in finished drinking water is below the level established by human health risk assessments. The Act further requires EPA to ensure compliance with and enforce these regulations. Section 1445 of SDWA stipulates that every supplier of water shall conduct monitoring, maintain records, and provide such information as is needed for the Agency to carry out its compliance and enforcement responsibilities with respect to SDWA. Implementation of these requirements is principally a responsibility of the States, particularly the 49 States that have assumed primary enforcement responsibility (primacy) for public water systems under SDWA Section 1413. As part of the Public Water Systems

Supervision Program, the Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water's Federal Reporting Data System (FRDS) and the newly-instituted Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS) collect data from the States on public water systems regulated by EPA. Data include the public water system inventory, violations, and Federal and State enforcement actions. Without comprehensive, up-to-date information on drinking water contamination, the Agency would not be able to ensure "a supply of drinking water which dependably complies with such maximum contaminant levels" (SDWA, Section 1401 (1) (d)).

An Agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information if it does not display 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 EPA solicits 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.