

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Customer Service

How can I influence the development of the final ground-water and air models that will be developed for the final Guide for Industrial Waste Management? You can influence the development of the final ground-water and air models by reviewing the peer review comments and the draft models and providing your written comments regarding these models to EPA. Your comments will be most effective if you follow the suggestions below:

Explain your views as clearly as possible and why you feel that way;
Provide solid technical data to support your views;
Tell us which parts you support, as well as those you disagree with;
Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns; and
Offer specific alternatives.

Background and Overview

The EPA, with assistance from State representatives, who serve as members of a Task Force from the Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials (ASTSWMO), industry, and public interest stakeholders, has developed a draft voluntary "Guide for Industrial Waste Management." The Guide recommends best management practices and key factors to take into account in siting, operating, designing, monitoring, and performing corrective action and closure and post closure care. The Guide is available in both paper copy and CD-ROM. The CD-ROM also incorporates both the ground-water and air models that can be used to evaluate potential risks and choose appropriate facility designs.

The air model, called the Industrial Waste Air Model (IWAIR), contains three modeling components. The first is an emissions model that estimates emissions of specific constituents from the unit into the atmosphere. The second component of the model estimates atmospheric dispersion of constituents and ambient air concentrations at a specific receptor point. The third component combines constituent concentrations at the specified receptor point with receptor exposure factors and toxicity benchmarks to estimate risk. IWAIR can be used two ways. Forward calculation uses known constituent concentrations in a waste to calculate risk to receptors at specified locations. Backward calculation starts with a target risk level at a specified receptor location. The model then calculates the concentration levels in a waste that can be protectively

managed in a unit without exceeding a pre-selected target risk level.

The ground-water model, called the Industrial Waste Evaluation Model, identifies a benchmark concentration (Maximum Contaminant Level or Health-Based Number) for each constituent in a receptor well associated with a waste management unit. The goal is not to exceed the benchmark concentrations in the receptor well (defined as a monitoring well). The model starts from this benchmark concentration in the receptor well and uses the effects of dilution and attenuation and leakage rate from a unit to determine the maximum concentration for constituents that can be protectively managed in a particular unit design. In a similar fashion, the model determines the maximum leachate concentration for constituents that can be considered for land application.

The IWAIR model and the IWEM have both undergone independent peer reviews. The peer review summaries contain a summary of the actual peer review comments and identification of the peer reviewers and their qualifications. The individual peer reviews are included as attachments to the peer review summaries. The EPA believes that these peer review summaries are useful documents for people to review as they formulate their own comments on the models. The EPA believes that announcing these peer review summaries now provides adequate time for the general public to review the summaries and formulate their own comments on the models; therefore, the December 13, 1999 deadline for receipt of comments on the draft Guide, CD-ROM, and models is not being extended. After the December deadline, the EPA will again begin to work with State, industry, and environmental representatives in assessing the comments and determining the best course of action. This work will continue through the next calendar year; therefore, if it is not possible to submit your comments or concerns regarding the draft Guide, CD-ROM, or models on time, you are still encouraged to submit comments/concerns as soon after the deadline as possible. The EPA will make all reasonable efforts to consider late comments.

Dated: September 29, 1999.

Elizabeth Cotsworth,

Director, Office of Solid Waste.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Proposed Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) Administrative Cost Recovery Settlement; Continental Chemical Corporation Superfund Site

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 122(i) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9622(i), notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative cost recovery settlement concerning the Continental Chemical Corporation Superfund site in Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana, which was signed by the EPA Superfund Division Director, Region 5, on September 24, 1999. The settlement resolves an EPA claim under section 107(a) of CERCLA against The 1439 Ash Street Company, Continental Chemical Corporation, New Concepts, Incorporated, Abraham Ashkin, Ronald Ashkin and Stephen Ashkin (who are alleged to be past and current owners and operators of the Site), for the costs expended by EPA in conducting a removal action at the Site. The settlement requires the settling parties to pay \$80,000.00 to the Hazardous Substance Superfund, to be applied toward reimbursement of approximately \$461,332.00 in past response costs incurred by EPA in conducting the removal action. The settlement amount is based on an analysis of the parties' ability to pay. The Site is not on the NPL and no further response action is anticipated at this time.

For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, the Agency will receive written comments relating to the settlement. The Agency will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. The Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the Superfund Records Center, 7th floor, U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 8, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement agreement is available for public inspection at the Superfund Records Center at the address specified above. A copy of the proposed settlement may be obtained from Deborah Garber, Office of Regional Counsel (C-14J), U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, telephone: (312) 886-6610. Comments should reference the continental Chemical Superfund Site and should be addressed to Deborah Garber, Office of Regional Counsel (C-14J), U.S. EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah Garber at the address specified immediately above; telephone: (312) 886-6610.

Dated: September 24, 1999.

William E. Muno,

Director, Superfund Division.

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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Final Comment Request

AGENCY: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

ACTION: Final notice of submission for OMB review.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) has submitted a request for clearance of the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). A notice that the EEOC would be submitting this request was published in the **Federal Register** on July 21, 1999, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. No public comments were received.

DATES: Written comments on this final notice must be submitted on or before November 8, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this final notice should be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or electronically mailed to DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV. Requests for copies of the proposed information

collection request should be addressed to Mr. Neckere at the address below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joachim Neckere, Director, Program Research and Surveys Division, 1801 L Street, NW., Room 9222, Washington, DC 20507, (202) 663-4958 (voice) or (202) 663-7063 (TDD).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Collection Title: Employer Information Report (EEO-1).

OMB-Number: 0346-0007.

Frequency of Report: Annual.

Type of Respondent: Private employer with 100 or more employees and some federal government contractors and first-tier contractors with 50 or more employees.

Description of Affected Public: Private industry employers and businesses, private institutions and organizations, and farms.

Number of Responses: 170,000 (revised).

Reporting Hours: 402,700 (revised).

Number of Forms: 1.

Federal Cost: \$834,635.

Abstract: Section 709(c) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2000e-8(c), requires employers to make and keep records relevant to a determination of whether unlawful employment practices have or are being committed and to make reports therefrom as required by the EEOC. Accordingly, the EEOC has issued regulations which set forth the reporting requirements for various kinds of employers. Employers in the private sector with 100 or more employees and some federal contractors with 50 or more employees have been required to submit EEO-1 reports annually since 1966. The individual reports are confidential.

EEO-1 data are used by the EEOC to investigate charges of discrimination against employers in private industry. In addition, the data are used to support EEOC decisions and conciliations, and for research. The data are shared with the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) in the U.S. Department of Labor, and several other federal agencies. Pursuant to section 709(d) of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, EEO-1 data are also shared with 86 State and Local Fair Employment Practices Agencies (FEPAs).

Burden Statement: The estimated number of respondents included in the annual EEO-1 survey is 45,000 private employers. The estimated number of responses per respondent averages between 3 and 4 EEO-1 reports. The number of annual responses is approximately 170,000 hours and the

total annual burden is estimated to be 402,700 hours. This represents a reduction of 61,000 hours from the previous EEO-1 information collection request and is due to increased computerization. In order to help further reduce burden, respondents are encouraged to report data on electronic media such as magnetic tapes or interactive diskettes.

For the Commission.

Dated: October 4, 1999.

Ida L. Castro,

Chairwoman.

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OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

National Bioethics Advisory Commission Membership; Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP).

ACTION: Request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) is requesting nominations of candidates for consideration for membership on the National Bioethics Advisory Commission within the Executive Branch. The Commission considers issues of bioethics arising from research on human biology and behavior, and the applications of that research.

DATES: Nominations must be received on or before December 10, 1999.

ADDRESSES: All nominations should be sent by mail to: Bioethics Docket, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Room 436, OEOP, Washington, D.C. 20502, or by FAX to: 202-456-6027.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Rachel E. Levinson, Assistant Director for Life Sciences, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Room 436, OEOP, Washington, D.C. 20502. Office telephone number: 202-456-6130.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 3, 1995, the President signed Executive Order 12975, establishing the National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC), to consider bioethical issues arising from research on human biology and behavior, including clinical research, and the applications of such research. The Commission, a panel of non-government experts in the relevant scientific disciplines, law, philosophy and theology, as well as community representatives, provides advice and recommendations to the Federal