

**RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

Information is automatically captured when accessing an application.

**EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:**

None.

**FERC-54****SYSTEM NAME:**

Commission Employee Assistance Program Files

**SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:**

Unclassified

**SYSTEM LOCATION:**

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of Strategy and Organizational Management, Division of Human Resources, Labor and Employee Relations Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Room 3-J, Washington, DC 20426.

**CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:**

Commission employees who have been counseled by or referred to the Employee Assistance Program for problems relating to alcoholism, drug abuse, job stress, chronic illness, family or relationship concerns, and emotional and other similar issues.

**CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:**

Information on employees who have participated in the Employee Assistance Program and the results of any counseling or referrals which may have taken place, and information on the nature of each individual's problem, subsequent treatment, and progress.

**AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:**

42 U.S.C. 290dd-1 and 290ee.

**PURPOSE(S):**

To provide assistance to employees in need of counsel.

**ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:**

For statistical reporting purposes; any disclosure of information pertaining to an individual will be made in compliance with the Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records regulation, 42 CFR part 2, as authorized by 21 U.S.C. 1175 and 42 U.S.C. 4582, as amended.

**DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:**

None.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:****STORAGE:**

Paper.

**RETRIEVABILITY:**

By employee name.

**SAFEGUARDS:**

Files are maintained in lockable cabinets and under the immediate control of the Employee Assistance Program Counselor.

**RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:**

Records are maintained pursuant to instructions authorized by the National Archives and Records Administration.

**SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:**

Chief, Labor and Employee Relations Branch, Division of Human Resources, Office of Strategy and Organizational Management, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Room 4A-05, Washington, DC 20426.

**NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:**

Requests from individuals to determine if a system of records contains information about them should be directed to the System Manager.

**RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:**

Same as notification procedures above.

**CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:**

Same as notification procedures above.

**RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

Information is compiled by the Employee Assistance Program Counselor during the course of counseling an employee.

**EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:**

None.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-6584-1]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Business Ownership Representation**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit the following proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Business Ownership Representation EPA ICR No. 1962.01. Before submitting

the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before June 23, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** 1200 Pennsylvania Ave N.W., Ariel Rios Building, Attn: 3802R, Washington, D.C. 20406.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Leigh Pomponio, (202) 564-4364, e-mail [pomponio.leigh@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:pomponio.leigh@epamail.epa.gov). A hard copy of the ICR may be obtained by contacting the named individual.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Affected entities:** Entities potentially affected by this action are those companies and organizations, large and small businesses, who receive contract awards from EPA.

**Title:** Business Ownership Representation, EPA ICR No. 1962.01.

**Abstract:** EPA will request that contractors selected for award reply to the Business Ownership Representation clause by checking the appropriate box to indicate the ethnic affiliation of the company ownership. EPA will use the collected information in aggregate to encourage full participation in the contractor selection process by identifying business communities that are under-represented in Agency awards, and sponsoring outreach efforts in those areas. Responses to the collection of information are voluntary. Responses will be treated as confidential business information in accordance with 40 CFR 2.201 *et seq.* 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 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:** Estimated burden for each response is three minutes, or a total of 12 hours per year based upon 240 annual contract awards. The total annual cost for all respondents is expected to be \$1,050.00 per year. There are no contractor capital or start-up costs associated with this collection. 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: April 18, 2000.

**Thomas D. McEntegart,**

*Manager, Policy Service Center.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6584-3]

### Clean Water Act Class II: Proposed Administrative Penalty Assessment and Opportunity to Comment Regarding Colrich Communities, Inc.

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA").

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is providing notice of a proposed administrative penalty assessment for alleged violations of the Clean Water Act ("Act"). EPA is also providing notice of opportunity to comment on the proposed assessment.

EPA is authorized under section 309(g) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 1319(g), to assess a civil penalty after providing the person subject to the penalty notice of the proposed penalty and the opportunity for a hearing, and after providing interested persons notice of the proposed penalty and a reasonable opportunity to comment on its issuance. Under section 309(g), any person who without authorization discharges a

pollutant to a navigable water, as those terms are defined in section 502 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 1362, may be assessed a penalty in a "Class II" administrative penalty proceeding.

Class II proceedings under section 309(g) are conducted in accordance with the "Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties, Issuance of Compliance or Corrective Action Orders, and the Revocation, Termination or Suspension of Permits," 40 CFR part 22 ("Consolidated Rules"), published at 64 FR 40138, 40177 (July 23, 1999). The procedures through which the public may submit written comment on a proposed Class II order or participate in a Class II proceeding, and the procedures by which a respondent may request a hearing, are set forth in the Consolidated Rules. The deadline for submitting public comment on a proposed Class II order is thirty (30) days after publication of this document.

On March 7, 2000, EPA commenced the following Class II proceeding for the assessment of penalties by filing with Danielle Carr, Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105, (415) 744-1391, the following Complaint:

In the Matter of Colrich Communities, Inc., Redhawk Tracts 23064-1, 23064-2, 23064-3, Riverside County, California, Docket No. CWA-9-2000-0005.

The Complaint proposes a penalty of up to One Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$137,500) for violations of NPDES Permit No. CAS000002 (issued by the California State Water Resources Control Board (Order No. 92-08-DWQ)) and Section 301(a) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 1311(a), at the Redhawk Tracts 23064-1, 23064-2, 23064-3, Riverside County, California.

Procedures by which the public may comment on a proposed Class II penalty or participate in a Class II penalty proceeding are set forth in the Consolidated Rules. The deadline for submitting public comment on a proposed Class II penalty is thirty (30) days after issuance of public notice. The Regional Administrator of EPA, Region 9, may issue an order upon default if the respondent in the proceeding fails to file a response within the time period specified in the Consolidated Rules.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Persons wishing to receive a copy of EPA's Consolidated Rules, review the Complaint or other documents filed in this proceeding, comment upon the proposed assessment, or otherwise

participate in the proceeding should contact Danielle Carr, Regional Hearing Clerk, U.S. EPA, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105, (415) 744-1391. The administrative record for this proceeding is located in the EPA Regional Office identified above, and the file will be open for public inspection during normal business hours. All information submitted by Colrich Communities, Inc. is available as part of the administrative record, subject to provisions of law restricting public disclosure of confidential information. In order to provide opportunity for public comment, EPA will issue no final order assessing a penalty in these proceedings prior to thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this document.

Dated: April 7, 2000.

**Alexis Strauss,**

*Director, Water Division.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[FCC 00-105]

### Maritime Communications

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission extends forbearance from the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, requirement which forbids the assignment of a radio license or transfer of control of a radio licensee corporation without obtaining prior Commission consent to Public Coast Stations that are licensed and regulated under the Commission's Rules because these stations provide telecommunications for a fee directly to the public.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Keith Fickner or Ghassan Khalek, Policy and Rules Branch, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418-0680.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of the Commission's *Memorandum Opinion and Order*, WT Docket No. 00-48, FCC 00-105, adopted March 17, 2000, and released on March 24, 2000. The full text of this *Memorandum Opinion and Order* is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC.