

and RTOs would both best provide due process for entities that may ultimately be required to pay these penalty costs and also avoid redundant investigations and litigation of Reliability Standard violations.

There will be three panels. The first panel will consist of RTOs and ISOs. The second panel will consist of representative entities potentially subject to paying penalties incurred by the RTOs or ISOs, either through the general allocation of an RTO or ISO penalty or through the direct assignment of a penalty by an RTO or ISO on the grounds such entity did not perform reliability functions that led to the penalty. The third panel will consist of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and the Regional Entities.

Topics for discussion in each panel are as follows:

Panel One

Panelists should be prepared to address Commission Topics 1, 2, 3 and 4. In addition, panelists are requested to consider the following:

A. Should penalties associated with Reliability Standard violations by RTOs or ISOs be allocated to all of its members, customers, owners or participants (collectively, members)? If so, should this allocation be handled by tariff or by contract? What allocation method would fairly apportion the cost burden amongst an RTO's or ISO's members?

B. If an RTO or ISO is permitted to pass on to its members the reliability penalties assessed against it, how should the Commission ensure that the RTO/ISO has adequate incentives to comply with the Reliability Standards?

C. Should an RTO or ISO be permitted to directly assign to one or more or a group of specific members, reliability penalties assessed against it but that were caused by the members? If so, who should investigate these entities to determine the degree of culpability, how will these entities be given due process and how can duplicative proceedings that overlap the ERO or Regional Entity penalty proceedings be avoided?

D. Should only non-monetary penalties be applied to RTOs and ISOs (and other non-profit organizations)?

Panel Two

Panelists should be prepared to address Commission Topics 1, 2, 3 and 4. In addition, panelists are requested to consider the following:

A. Should an RTO or ISO be permitted to allocate to its members reliability penalties assessed against it pursuant to section 215 of the FPA? If so, should this be handled by tariff or

by contract? What allocation method would fairly apportion the cost burden?

B. If an RTO or ISO is not permitted to pass on reliability penalty costs assessed against it, what source of funds is suggested for payment?

C. Should an RTO or ISO be permitted to directly assign to specific members reliability penalties assessed against it, and if so, how should duplicative proceedings be avoided and due process ensured?

Panel Three

Panelists should be prepared to address Commission Topics 3 and 4. In addition, panelists are requested to consider the following:

A. Would the ERO or Regional Entity investigation of an alleged Reliability Standard violation by an RTO or ISO incorporate an investigation of any RTO or ISO members that have been alleged to contribute to the violation both in the instance where these members are registered in the ERO's compliance registry and in the instance where these members are not registered? If these members are investigated, would there be an assessment of the extent each of the members and the RTO or ISO contributed to the violation?

B. How would Regional Entities and the ERO address in enforcement proceedings assessment of penalties for matters in which an RTO or ISO and one or more members violated the same Reliability Standard, different Reliability Standards or multiple Reliability standards?

C. Should the Regional Entity identify not just the entity that violated a Reliability Standard, but also any entities which may have contributed to the RTO's or ISO's Reliability Standard violation? Should the Regional Entity also quantify the degree to which each entity contributed to the violation?

D. If an RTO or ISO asserts that an entity that is not listed in NERC's compliance registry is responsible for the RTO's or ISO's violation of a Reliability Standard, in an enforcement hearing pursuant to section 215 of the FPA, will Regional Entities or NERC inquire if the root cause of the violation lies with that entity and provide the entity an opportunity to participate in the proceeding?

Participants on the panels will be announced in a subsequent notice. There is *no* registration fee to attend. A free webcast of this event will be available through <http://www.ferc.gov>. Anyone with Internet access who desires to view this event can do so by navigating to <http://www.ferc.gov>'s Calendar of Events and locating this event in the Calendar. The event will

contain a link to its webcast. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for the webcasts and offers access to the meeting via a phone bridge for a fee. If you have any questions, visit <http://www.CapitolConnection.org> or contact Danelle Perkowski or David Reininger at 703-993-3100.

Transcripts of the meeting will be available immediately for a fee from Ace Reporting Company (202-347-3700 or 1-800-336-6646). They will be available for free on the Commission's eLibrary system and on the events calendar approximately one week after the meeting.

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Questions about the conference should be directed to Don LeKang by e-mail at donald.lekang@ferc.gov or by phone at 202-502-8127.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0225; FRL-8452-4]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Populations, Usage and Emissions of Nonroad Diesel Equipment in EPA Region 7; EPA ICR No. 2156.01, OMB Control No. 2060-0553

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit a request to renew an existing approved Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This ICR is scheduled to expire on November 30, 2007. 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 October 9, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0225, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *E-mail:* a-and-r-Docket@epa.gov.

- *Fax:* 202-566-9744.

- *Mail:* Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

- *Hand Delivery:* EPA Docket Center, Public Reading Room, EPA West Building, Room 3334. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0225. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through <http://www.regulations.gov> your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James Warila, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, (ASD), Environmental

Protection Agency, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105; telephone number: 734-214-4951; fax number: 734-214-4939; e-mail address: warila.james@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

How Can I Access the Docket and/or Submit Comments

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0225, which is available for online viewing at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or in person viewing at the Air and Radiation Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public Reading Room is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is 202-566-1744, and the telephone number for the Air and Radiation Docket is 202-566-1742.

Use <http://www.regulations.gov> to obtain a copy of the draft collection of information, submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified in this document.

What Information Is EPA Particularly Interested In

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it 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. In particular, EPA is requesting comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25) on examples of specific additional efforts that EPA

could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very small businesses affected by this collection.

What Should I Consider When I Prepare My Comments for EPA

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

- 1. Explain your views as clearly as possible and provide specific examples.
- 2. Describe any assumptions that you used.

- 3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.

- 4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.

- 5. Offer alternative ways to improve the collection activity.

- 6. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline identified under **DATES**.

- 7. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket ID number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

What Information Collection Activity or ICR Does This Apply To

[Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0225]

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are construction establishments employing at least one person during the previous twelve months (NAICS code 23).

Title: Mobile-Source Emission Factors: Emissions and Usage of Nonroad Equipment

ICR numbers: EPA ICR No. 2156.01, OMB Control No. 2063-0553.

ICR status: This ICR is currently scheduled to expire on November 30, 2007. 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 in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract

In response to recommendations from the National Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences, EPA is conducting systematic data collection designed to improve the methods and

tools used by the Agency to estimate emissions from nonroad equipment. Data to be collected include usage rates (activity) and "in-use" or "real-world" emission rates.

The collection is a survey, to be conducted by the Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ) in the Office of Air and Radiation (OAR). Development of rapid in-use instrumentation promises to substantially reduce the cost of emissions measurement for nonroad equipment. This study combines rapid in-use measurement capability with statistical survey design to improve the representation of nonroad engine populations. The goal is to conduct a survey designed to develop methods and protocols needed to collect data on activity and in-use emissions of diesel nonroad equipment. Response to the survey is voluntary.

The target population includes nonroad equipment used by commercial establishments in the construction sector. The study area for this collection will be EPA Region 7. To estimate the prevalence of equipment ownership in the target sectors, establishments will be requested to respond to brief interviews regarding their equipment ownership and use. For a subset of establishments, emissions and usage will be measured using portable on-board electronic instrumentation. Emissions instrumentation will measure carbon dioxide (CO₂) and several air pollutants on an instantaneous basis during normal operation over a period of one to three days. Air pollutants to be measured include carbon monoxide (CO), total hydrocarbons (THC), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) and particulate matter (PM). The usage instrument will measure engine on/off over a period of approximately one month. Data will be collected during normal operation at the respondents' facilities or work sites.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.15 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 which have subsequently changed; 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.

The ICR submitted for renewal will provide a detailed explanation of the Agency's estimate, which is briefly summarized here:

Estimated Total Number of Potential Respondents: 4,020.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Average Number of Responses for Each Respondent: One.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 580.

Estimated Total Annual Costs: \$52,000. This includes an estimated burden cost of \$52,000 and an estimated cost of \$0.0 for capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

What Is the Next Step in the Process for This ICR

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Dated: August 2, 2007.

Chester J. France,

Director, Assessment and Standards Division.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-8452-7]

Gulf of Mexico Program Management Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Meeting Date Change.

SUMMARY: Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), EPA gives notice of a change of the date for the Gulf of Mexico Program (GMP) Management Committee Meeting (MC) published in the **Federal Register** on July 30, 2007 (72 FR 41506).

For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Gloria Car, U.S.EPA, at (228) 688-2421 or car.gloria@epa.gov. To

request accommodation of a disability, please contact Gloria Car, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, August 23, 2007, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530, (228) 688-3726.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gloria D. Car, Designated Federal Officer, Gulf of Mexico Program Office, Mail Code EPA/GMPO, Stennis Space Center, MS 39529-6000 at (228) 688-2421.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed agenda includes the following topics: Gulf of Mexico Program Alliance—Status Brief; Report on Important Emerging Legislative Actions Relevant to the Alliance and/or Gulf Program; Coastal America Update: Designation of Veracruz Aquarium and J.L. Scott Marine Education Center as Coastal Ecosystem Learning Centers (CELCs); Binational Harmful Algal Bloom Veracruz Monitoring Pilot; NASA Remote Sensing—Gulf of Mexico Alliance Applications Initiative; Wastewater to Wetlands; USGS/DOI Alliance Coordination; and Gulf Regional Sediment Management Master Plan.

The meeting is open to the public.

Dated: August 2, 2007.

Gloria D. Car,

Designated Federal Officer.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Transportation Intermediary License Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission an application for license as a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier and Ocean Freight Forwarder—Ocean Transportation Intermediary pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 as amended (46 U.S.C. Chapter 409 and 46 CFR part 515).

Persons knowing of any reason why the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Transportation Intermediaries, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573.