ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2019-0581; FRL-10011-03-OMS]

Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Standards for Pesticide Containers and Containment (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR) Standards for Pesticide Containers and Containment” (EPA ICR Number 1632.06 and OMB Control Number 2070-0133) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through October 31, 2020. Public comments were previously requested via the Federal Register on December 3, 2019 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. A fuller description of the ICR is given below, including its estimated burden and cost to the public. 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.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments to EPA referencing Docket ID No. HQ-OPP-2019-0581, online using http://www.regulations.gov (our preferred method) or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment
includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

Submit written comments and recommendations to OMB for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carolyn Siu, Field External Affairs Division (7506P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: insert (703) 347-0159; email address: siu.carolyn@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Supporting documents, which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting, are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at www.regulations.gov or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA’s public docket, visit http://www.epa.gov/dockets.

Abstract: This ICR covers the information collection activities associated with the pesticide container design and residue removal requirements and containment structure requirements. With respect to the container design and residue removal requirements, the information collection activities are associated with the requirement that businesses subject to the container regulations (pesticide registrants) and repackaging regulations (pesticide registrants and refillers) maintain records of test data, cleaning procedures, certain data when a container is refilled, and other supporting information. These records are subject to both call-in by EPA and on-site
inspection by EPA and its representatives. EPA has not established a regular schedule for the collection of these records, and there is no reporting. With respect to the containment structure requirements, the information collection activities are associated with the requirement that businesses subject to the containment structure regulations maintain records of the: (1) Monthly inspection and maintenance of each containment structure and all stationary bulk containers; (2) Duration over which non-stationary bulk containers holding pesticide and not protected by a secondary containment unit remain at the same location; and (3) Construction date of the containment structure. The businesses subject to the containment structure regulations include agrichemical retailers and refilling establishments, custom blenders and commercial applicators of agricultural pesticides. The records have to be maintained by the owners and operators of such businesses and made available to inspectors to ensure that businesses are in compliance with containment requirements. These inspections are generally conducted by the states, which enforce FIFRA regulations through cooperative agreements with EPA.

*Form Numbers:* None

*Respondents/Affected Entities:* Pesticide registrants and businesses who formulate pesticide products or pesticide formulation intermediates (NAICS code 325320), farm supply wholesalers (NAICS code 422910), swimming pool applicators (NAICS code 561790, 453998 and 235990), and agricultural (aerial and ground) commercial applicators (NAICS code 115112).


*Estimated number of respondents:* 23,586 (total)

*Frequency of response:* On occasion.

*Total estimated burden:* 180,763 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).
Total estimated costs: $9,033,656 (per year), includes $335,900 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

Changes in the estimates: There is an increase of 11,103 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB. This increase is in response to comments received from respondents, including a comment that the development and storage of documentation associated with the DOT (Department of Transportation) authorized packaging are not included. This change is an adjustment.

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