

the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication, to the Secretary.

Prohibited communications will be included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited

communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

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The following is a list of prohibited and exempt communications recently received in the Office of the Secretary. The communications listed are grouped by docket numbers. These filings are available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the eLibrary (FERRIS) link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For Assistance, please contact FERC, Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

| Docket No.                                  | Date filed                   | Presenter or requester                        |
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| Prohibited:<br>1. CP04-58-000 .....         | 2-19-04 through 3-4-04 ..... | Tricia Bartholome, <i>et al.</i> <sup>1</sup> |
| Exempt:<br>1. CP04-41-000 CP04-36-000 ..... | 2-18-04 .....                | Hon. John F. Kerry.                           |
| 2. CP04-58-000 .....                        | 3-02-04 .....                | Mr. Michael R. Peevey.                        |
| 3. EL04-01-000 .....                        | 2-25-04 .....                | Hon. Harry Reid, Hon. John Ensign.            |
| 4. ER04-316-000 .....                       | 2-24-04 .....                | Hon. Chris Cannon.                            |
| 5. ER04-316-000 .....                       | 3-03-04 .....                | Hon. John T. Doolittle.                       |

<sup>1</sup> This communication is one among numerous form letters sent to the Commission by the Greenpeace, USA organization. Only representative samples of these prohibited non-decisional documents are posted in this docket on the Commission's eLibrary system (<http://www.ferc.gov>).

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OECA-2004-0003, FRL-7636-8]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Annual Public Water Systems Compliance Report, EPA ICR Number 1812.02; OMB Control Number 2040-0186

**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 a continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. This ICR is scheduled to expire on September 30, 2004. 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 May 17, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number OECA-2004-003 to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by email to [delaney.acquanetta@epa.gov](mailto:delaney.acquanetta@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Docket (OECA), mail code 2201T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Acquanetta Delaney, Compliance Assistance and Sector Programs Division (2224A), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564-7061; fax number: (202) 564-0009; email address: [delaney.acquanetta@epa.gov](mailto:delaney.acquanetta@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID number OECA-2004-003, which is available for public viewing at the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA) Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 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 Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Docket is (202) 566-1752. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. Use EDOCKET to obtain a copy of the draft collection of information, submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the public 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 above.

Any comments related to this ICR should be submitted to EPA within 60 days of this notice. EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EDOCKET as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EDOCKET. The entire printed comment,

including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket. Although identified as an item in the official docket, information claimed as CBI, or whose disclosure is otherwise restricted by statute, is not included in the official public docket, and will not be available for public viewing in EDOCKET. For further information about the electronic docket, see EPA's **Federal Register** notice describing the electronic docket at 67 FR 38102 (May 31, 2002), or go to <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>.

*Affected entities:* States, Tribes, and territories that have primary enforcement authority and meet the definition of "state" under the Safe Drinking Water Act (Act).

*Title:* Annual Public Water Systems Compliance Report, EPA ICR number 1812.02, OMB Control Number 2040-0186. The current ICR expires September 30, 2004.

*Abstract:* Section 1414 (c)(3)(A) of the Safe Drinking Water Act requires that each state that has primary enforcement authority under the Act shall prepare, make readily available to the public, and submit to the Administrator of EPA, an annual report of violations of national primary drinking water regulations in the state. The states' reports are to include violations of maximum contaminant levels, treatment requirements, variances and exemptions, and monitoring requirements determined to be significant by the Administrator after consultation with the states. Section 1414(c)(3)(B) of the Safe Drinking Water Act requires EPA to prepare and make available to the public an annual report that summarizes and evaluates the reports submitted by the states pursuant to section 1414(c)(3)(A). EPA's annual national report must also provide specified information about implementation of the public water system supervision system on Indian reservations and make recommendations concerning the resources necessary to improve compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. The States have already prepared and published seven annual reports. EPA has prepared and published six national reports.

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 40 CFR are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR chapter 15. In an effort to minimize a state's burden in preparing its annual statutorily-required report, EPA issued guidance that explains what section

1414(c)(3)(A) requires and provides model language and reporting templates. EPA also annually makes available to the states a computer query that generates for each state (from information states are already required to submit to EPA's national database on a quarterly basis) the required violations information in a table consistent with the reporting template in EPA's guidance.

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:* The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 208 hours for annual response. The number of respondents is 54 states, commonwealths and territories. The estimated total annual hour burden is 11,232 hours. The estimated total annualized cost burden is \$669,400.

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.

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Dated: February 23, 2004.

**Lisa Lund,**

*Acting Director, Office of Compliance.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7636-4]

### Technical Panel Formation and First Panel Meeting to Continue Evaluation on Issues Relating to Impacts of the Collapse of the World Trade Center Towers

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the formation of an expert technical review panel whose purpose is to provide for greater input on ongoing efforts to monitor the situation for New York residents and workers impacted by the collapse of the World Trade Center. The panel members will help guide the EPA's use of the available exposure and health surveillance databases and registries to characterize any remaining exposures and risks, identify unmet public health needs, and recommend any steps to further minimize the risks associated with the aftermath of the World Trade Center attacks. The panel will meet several times over the course of approximately two years, and these panel meetings will be open to the public, except where the public interest requires otherwise. Information on the panel meeting agendas, documents (except where the public interest requires otherwise), and public registration to attend the meetings will be available from an Internet Web site. EPA has established an official public docket for this action under Docket ID No. ORD-2004-0003.