

refrigerant is FLAMMABLE. Take appropriate precautions.”

This information assists the technician in avoiding service practices that might result in cross-contamination, system failure and/or system performance degradation. Responses to the collection information are mandatory (section 612 of the CAA and 40 CFR part 82).

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Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes 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; 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.

Respondents/Affected Entities: New and used car dealers, Gas service stations, Top and body repair shops, General automotive repair shops, and Automotive repair shops not elsewhere classified, including air conditioning and radiator specialty shops.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 87,000.

Frequency of Response: Once per and upon retrofit of a motor vehicle air conditioner.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 83,333 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$5,933,333, which includes \$100,000 annualized capital or O&M costs and \$5,833,333 labor costs.

Changes in the Estimates: There is a decrease of 333,334 hours per year in the total estimated burden currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved ICR Burdens. The decrease is because the EPA estimates fewer CFC-12 motor vehicle air conditioners will be retrofitted in the next three years than the previous three years.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OAR-2003-0073; FRL-7561-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Distribution of Offsite Consequence Analysis Information Under Section 112(r)(7)(H) of the Clean Air Act (CAA), EPA ICR Number 1981.02, OMB Control Number 2050-0172

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 an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. This ICR is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2003. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB. This ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before October 22, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number OAR-2003-0073, to (1) EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to a-and-r-Docket@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Air Docket, Mailcode 6102T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB at: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sicy Jacob, Mailcode 5104A, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564-8019; fax number: (202) 564-8233; e-mail address: jacob.sicy@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On May 12, 2003, (68 FR 25367), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. OAR-2003-0073, which is available for public viewing at the Air 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 Air Docket is (202) 566-1742. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. Use EDOCKET to 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 and OMB within 30 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>.

Title: Distribution of Offsite Consequence Analysis Information under Section 112(r)(7)(H) of the Clean Air Act (CAA).

Abstract: This ICR is the renewal of the ICR developed for the final rule, *Accidental Release Prevention*

Requirements; Risk Management Programs Under the Clean Air Act Section 112(r)(7); Distribution of Off-Site Consequence Analysis Information. CAA section 112(r)(7) required EPA to promulgate reasonable regulations and appropriate guidance to provide for the prevention and detection of accidental releases and for responses to such releases. The regulations include requirements for submittal of a risk management plan (RMP) to EPA. The RMP includes information on offsite consequence analyses (OCA) as well as other elements of the risk management program.

On August 5, 1999, the President signed the Chemical Safety Information, Site Security, and Fuels Regulatory Relief Act (CSISFRRA). The Act required the President to promulgate regulations on the distribution of OCA information (CAA section 112(r)(7)(H)(ii)). The President delegated to EPA and the Department of Justice (DOJ) the responsibility to promulgate regulations to govern the dissemination of OCA information to the public. The final rule was published on August 4, 2000 (65 FR 48108). The regulations imposed minimal requirements on the public, state and local agencies that request OCA data from EPA. The state and local agencies who decide to obtain OCA information must send a written request on their official letterhead to EPA certifying that they are covered persons under Public Law 106-40, and that they will use the information for official use only. EPA will then provide paper copies of OCA data to those agencies as requested. The rule authorizes and encourages state and local agencies to set up reading rooms. The local reading rooms would provide read-only access to OCA information for all the sources in the LEPC's jurisdiction and for any source where the vulnerable zone extends into the LEPC's jurisdiction.

Members of the public requesting to view OCA information at federal reading rooms would be required to sign in and self certify. If asking for OCA information from federal reading rooms for the facilities in the area where they live or work, they would be required to provide proof that they live or work in that area. Members of the public are required to give their names, telephone number, and the names of the facilities for which OCA information is being requested, when they contact the central office to schedule an appointment to view OCA information.

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control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in 40 CFR are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and are identified on the form and/or instrument, if applicable.

Burden Statement: For this ICR period, EPA estimates a total of 3,270 hours (annually) for local agencies requesting OCA data from EPA and providing read-only access to the public. For the state agencies, the total annual burden for requesting OCA data from EPA and providing read-only access to the public, is 3,816 hours. For the public to display photo identification, sign a sign-in sheet, certify that the individual has not received access to OCA information for more than 10 stationary sources for that calendar month, and to request information from the vulnerable zone indicator system (VZIS), EPA estimates a total of 8,754 hours annually. The total burden for the members of the public, state and local agencies is 15,840 hours and \$413,380 annually.

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Respondents/Affected Entities: Individuals, and State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,417.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.
Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 15,840 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$414,380, which includes \$1,000 of operations and maintenance costs.

Changes in the Estimates: A decrease in burden of 83,678 hours from the previous ICR. This is due to using actual data of the state and local officials requesting OCA data. The previous ICR estimated that all 50 states plus U.S. territories and D.C. and at least 1,000 of the 1,500 active LEPCs will be requesting OCA data. However, only 9 LEPCs and 18 states have requested OCA data, therefore, EPA only assumed that 1% of the 1500 LEPCs (15 LEPCs)

may request OCA data in the next three years covered by the ICR. Also, in this ICR, EPA assumed that only 18 more states may request OCA data from EPA. The public burden and costs have also decreased from the previous ICR, due to the actual number of people that have visited the federal reading rooms or made inquiries in the VZIS. The previous ICR estimated capital costs for 50 state agencies and 1500 LEPCs to be \$125,000 for purchasing computer equipment to operate the VZIS. The cost was annualized assuming the equipment is depreciated over five years. Although we estimated that 50 states will take on the responsibility of making the OCA data available to the public, only 18 states and 9 LEPCs have requested OCA data from EPA. So, in this ICR, EPA made a conservative estimate that 18 more states and 15 more LEPCs may request OCA data. Since EPA did estimate capital cost for 50 states and 1,500 LEPCs in the previous ICR, this ICR does not include any additional capital cost. Therefore, the capital cost has decreased from previous ICR (\$125,000) to zero.

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Guidance on Selecting the Appropriate Age Groups for Assessing Childhood Exposures to Environmental Contaminants (External Review Draft); Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of availability and opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing a 60-day public comment period for the draft document entitled *Guidance on Selecting the Appropriate Age Groups for Assessing Childhood Exposures to Environmental Contaminants*. The document is intended to provide guidance to EPA scientists on the appropriate age groups to consider when assessing childhood exposure and potential dose to environmental contaminants.

DATES: Comments must be received by November 21, 2003.