**SUPPORTING STATEMENT**

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal)**

**1. Identification of the Information Collection**

**1(a) Title of the Information Collection**

NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal), EPA ICR Number 1900.08, OMB Control Number 2060-0423.

**1(b) Short Characterization/Abstract**

The New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) were proposed on August 30, 1999, and promulgated on December 6, 2000. These regulations apply to both existing facilities and new facilities with small municipal waste combustors (MWCs) that combust greater than 35 tons per day (tpd), but with less than 250 tpd of municipal solid waste. New facilities include those that commenced either construction, or modification or reconstruction after the date of proposal. This information is being collected to assure compliance with 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA.

In general, all NSPS standards require initial notifications, performance tests, and periodic reports by the owners/operators of the affected facilities. They are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. These notifications, reports, and records are essential in determining compliance and are required of all affected facilities subject to NSPS.

Any owner/operator subject to the provisions of this part shall maintain a file containing these documents and retain the file for at least five years following the generation date of such maintenance reports and records. All reports are sent to either the delegated state or local authority. If there is no such delegated authority, the reports are sent directly to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regional office.

The ‘burden’ to the “Affected Public” may be found below in Table 1: Annual Respondent Burden and Cost – NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal). The Federal Government’s ‘burden’ is attributed entirely to work performed by either Federal employees or government contractors and may be found below in Table 2: Average Annual EPA Burden and Cost – NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal). There are approximately eight small MWC units (i.e. 8 sources), at six plants (i.e. 6 respondents), subject to these standards. One of the six plants is owned by a team of state and local governments, while the remaining five are owned by the private industry. We assume that they will all respond to EPA inquiries.

Based on our consultations with industry representatives, there are an average of 1.33 affected facilities at each plant site and each plant site has only one respondent (i.e., the owner/operator of the plant site).

Over the next three years, approximately six respondents per year will be subject to these standards, and no additional respondents per year will become subject to these same standards.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the currently-active ICR without any “Terms of Clearance.”

**2. Need for and Use of the Collection**

**2(a) Need/Authority for the Collection**

The EPA is charged under Section 111 of the Clean Air Act (CAA), as amended, to establish standards of performance for new stationary sources that reflect:

**. . .** application of the best technological system of continuous emissions reduction which (taking into consideration the cost of achieving such emissions reduction, or any non-air quality health and environmental impact and energy requirements) the Administrator determines has been adequately demonstrated. Section 111(a)(l).

The Agency refers to this charge as selecting the best demonstrated technology (BDT). Section 111 also requires that the Administrator review and, if appropriate, revise such standards every eight years.

In addition, section 114(a) states that the Administrator may require any owner/operator subject to any requirement of this Act to:

(A) Establish and maintain such records; (B) make such reports; (C) install, use, and maintain such monitoring equipment, and use such audit procedures, or methods; (D) sample such emissions (in accordance with such procedures or methods, at such locations, at such intervals, during such periods, and in such manner as the Administrator shall prescribe); (E) keep records on control equipment parameters, production variables or other indirect data when direct monitoring of emissions is impractical; (F) submit compliance certifications in accordance with Section 114(a)(3); and (G) provide such other information as the Administrator may reasonably require.

In the Administrator's judgment, organics, metals, and acid gas emissions from small MWCs either cause or contribute to air pollution that may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health and/or welfare. Therefore, the NSPS were promulgated for this source category at 40 CFR Part 60,Subpart AAAA.

**2(b) Practical Utility/Users of the Data**

The recordkeeping and reporting requirements in these standards ensure compliance with the applicable regulations which were promulgated in accordance with the Clean Air Act. The collected information is also used for targeting inspections and as evidence in legal proceedings.

Performance tests are required in order to determine an affected facility’s initial capability to comply with these emission standards. Continuous emission monitors are used to ensure compliance with these same standards at all times.

The notifications required in these standards are used to inform the Agency or delegated authority when a source becomes subject to the requirements of these regulations. The reviewing authority may then inspect the source to check if the pollution control devices are properly installed and operated, leaks are being detected and repaired, and that the standards are being met. The performance test may also be observed.

The required annual and semiannual reports are used to determine periods of excess emissions, identify problems at the facility, verify operation/maintenance procedures, and for compliance determinations.

**3. Non-duplication, Consultations, and Other Collection Criteria**

The requested recordkeeping and reporting are required under 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA.

**3(a) Non-duplication**

For reports required to be submitted electronically, the information is sent through the EPA's CDX, using CEDRI, where the appropriate EPA regional office can review it, as well as for state and local agencies that have been delegated authority. If a state or local agency has adopted under its own authority its own standards for reporting or data collection, adherence to those non-Federal requirements does not constitute duplication.

For all other reports, if the subject standards have not been delegated, the information is sent directly to the appropriate EPA regional office. Otherwise, the information is sent directly to the delegated state or local agency. If a state or local agency has adopted its own standards to implement the Federal standards, a copy of the report submitted to the state or local agency can be sent to the Administrator in lieu of the report required by the Federal standards. Therefore, duplication does not exist.

**3(b) Public Notice Required Prior to ICR Submission to OMB**

An announcement of a public comment period for the renewal of this ICR was published in the *Federal Register* (87 FR 20847) on April 8, 2022. No comments were received on the burden published in the *Federal Register* for this renewal.

**3(c) Consultations**

The Agency has consulted industry experts and internal data sources to project the number of affected facilities and industry growth over the next three years.The primary source of information as reported by industry, in compliance with the recordkeeping and reporting provisions in these standards, is the Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS). ICIS is EPA’s database for the collection, maintenance, and retrieval of compliance data for industrial and government-owned facilities. The growth rate for the industry is based on our consultations with the Agency’s internal industry experts. Approximately 6 respondents will be subject to these same standards over the three-year period covered by this ICR.

Industry trade association(s) and other interested parties were provided an opportunity to comment on the ‘burden’ associated with these standards as they were being developed and these same standards have been reviewed previously to determine the minimum information needed for compliance purposes. In developing this ICR, we contacted the following sources: 1) Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA), at (240) 494-2237; and 2) the National Waste and Recycling Association (NWRA), at (202) 244-4700.

It is our policy to respond after a thorough review of comments received since the last ICR renewal, as well as for those submitted in response to the first *Federal Register* notice. In this case, no comments were received.

**3(d) Effects of Less-Frequent Collection**

Less-frequent information collection would decrease the margin of assurance that facilities are continuing to meet these standards. Requirements for information gathering and recordkeeping are useful techniques to ensure that good operation and maintenance practices are applied and that emission limitations are met. If the information required by these standards was collected less-frequently, the proper operation and maintenance of control equipment and the possibility of detecting violations would be less likely.

**3(e) General Guidelines**

These reporting or recordkeeping requirements do not violate any of the regulations promulgated by OMB under 5 CFR Part 1320, Section 1320.5.

These standards require the respondents to maintain all records, including reports and notifications for at least five years. This is consistent with the General Provisions as applied to these standards. The EPA believes that the five-year records retention requirement is consistent with the Part 70 permit program and the five-year statute of limitations on which the permit program is based. The retention of records for five years allows EPA to establish the compliance history of a source, any pattern of non-compliance and to determine the appropriate level of enforcement action. The EPA has found that the most flagrant violators have violations extending beyond five years. In addition, EPA would be prevented from pursuing the violators due to either the destruction or nonexistence of essential records.

**3(f) Confidentiality**

Any information submitted to the Agency for which a claim of confidentiality is made will be safeguarded according to the Agency policies set forth in Title 40, chapter 1, part 2, subpart B - Confidentiality of Business Information (CBI) (see 40 CFR 2; 41 FR 36902, September 1, 1976; amended by 43 FR 40000, September 8, 1978; 43 FR 42251, September 20, 1978; 44 FR 17674, March 23, 1979).

**3(g) Sensitive Questions**

The reporting or recordkeeping requirements in these standards do not include sensitive questions.

**4. The Respondents and the Information Requested**

**4(a) Respondents/SIC Codes**

The respondents to the recordkeeping and reporting requirements are owners and operators of small MWC units. The United States Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes for the respondents affected by the standards and corresponding North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes for small MWC units are listed in the following table:

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Standard (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA)** | **SIC Codes** | **NAICS Codes** |
| Air & Water Resource and Solid Waste Management | 9511 | 924110 |
| Solid Waste Combustors & Incinerators | 4953 | 562213 |

**4(b) Information Requested**

**(i) Data Items**

In this ICR, all the data that are recorded or reported is required by the NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA).

A source must make the following reports:

| **Notifications** | |
| --- | --- |
| Notices of the public meetings for materials separation plan and siting analysis | §60.1375, §60.1380 |
| Notification of construction/reconstruction | §60.7(a)(1), §60.1380 |
| Notification of initial startup | §60.7(a)(3) |
| Notification of initial performance test | §60.8(d) |
| Notification of CEMS demonstration | §60.7(a)(5) |
| Notification of physical or operational change | §60.7(a)(4) |

| **Reports** | |
| --- | --- |
| Material separation plan and siting analysis | §60.1050, §60.1110, §60.1375(a), §60.1380(a) |
| Transcript of the public meetings and responses to the public comments received during the public comment period | §60.1140, §60.1375 |
| Initial report, including results from initial stack tests for all regulated pollutants and parameters, and report of CEMs demonstration and test data | §§60.8(a) and (d), §60.1395, §60.1400, §60.1430 |
| Annual compliance reports for all pollutants and parameters | §60.1405, §60.1410, §60.1430 |
| Reports for air curtain incinerators | §60.1455 |
| Semiannual excess emission reports (SO2, CO, load, temperature, PM, dioxin/furan, opacity, HCl, Cd, Pb, Hg, fugitives) | §60.7(c), §60.1415, §60.1420, §60.1425, §60.1430 |

A source must keep the following records:

| **Recordkeeping** | |
| --- | --- |
| Records of occurrence and duration of any startups, shutdowns, malfunctions, or any malfunction of CEMS | §60.7(b), §60.1340, §60.1365 |
| Records on material separation plan and siting analysis | §60.1340(a), §60.1350 |
| Records of operator training and certification | §60.1340(b), §60.1355 |
| Records of initial stack tests and annual stack tests | §60.1340(c), §60.1360 |
| Records for CEMS rates and parameters and computations of average emissions and parameters | §60.1340(d), §60.1365, §60.1370 |
| Records of MWC units that use activated carbon. Records of quarterly amount of sorbent for Hg control | §60.1340(e), §60.1370 |
| Records of results of daily CEMS drift tests and Appendix F accuracy assessments | §60.1365 |
| Records are required to be retained for 5 years. The full 5 years of records must be retained at the facility. | §60.1345 |

Electronic Reporting

Some of the respondents are using monitoring equipment that automatically records parameter data. Although personnel at the affected facility must still evaluate the data, internal automation has significantly reduced the burden associated with monitoring and recordkeeping at a plant site.

**(ii) Respondent Activities**

| **Respondent Activities** |
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| Familiarization with the regulatory requirements. |
| Install, calibrate, maintain, and operate CMS for opacity, SO2, NOX, and O2. |
| Perform initial performance test, Reference Methods 1 and 23 for organics; Reference Methods 1 and 29 for Cd, Pb, Hg; Reference Method 9 for opacity; Reference Methods 1 and 5 for particulate matter; Reference Methods 1 and 26 or 26A for acid gases; and Reference Method 22 for fugitive ash; and repeat performance tests if necessary. |
| Write the notifications and reports listed above. |
| Enter information required to be recorded above. |
| Submit the required reports developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for collecting, validating, and verifying information. |
| Develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for processing and maintaining information. |
| Develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for disclosing and providing information. |
| Train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information. |
| Transmit, or otherwise disclose the information. |

**5. The Information Collected: Agency Activities, Collection Methodology, and Information Management**

**5(a) Agency Activities**

The EPA conducts the following activities in connection with the acquisition, analysis, storage, and distribution of the required information:

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| **Agency Activities** |
| Review notifications and reports, including performance test reports, and excess emissions reports, required to be submitted by industry. |
| Audit facility records. |
| Input, analyze, and maintain data in the Enforcement and Compliance History Online (ECHO) and ICIS. |

**5(b) Collection Methodology and Management**

Following notification of startup, the reviewing authority could inspect the source to determine whether the pollution control devices are properly installed and operated. Performance test reports are used by the Agency to discern a source’s initial capability to comply with the emission standards and note the operating conditions under which compliance was achieved. Data and records maintained by the respondents are tabulated and published for use in compliance and enforcement programs. The semiannual reports are used for problem identification, as a check on source operation and maintenance, and for compliance determinations.

Information contained in the reports is reported by state and local governments in the ICIS Air database, which is operated and maintained by EPA's Office of Compliance. The EPA uses ICIS for tracking air pollution compliance and enforcement by local and state regulatory agencies, EPA regional offices, and EPA headquarters. The EPA and its delegated Authorities can edit, store, retrieve and analyze the data.

The records required by this regulation must be retained by the owner/operator for five years.

**5(c) Small Entity Flexibility**

The majority of the respondents are large entities (i.e., large businesses). However, the impact on small entities (i.e., small businesses) was taken into consideration during the development of the regulation. Due to technical considerations involving the process operations and the types of control equipment employed, the recordkeeping and reporting requirements are the same for both small and large entities. The Agency considers these to be the minimum requirements needed to ensure compliance and, therefore, cannot reduce them further for small entities. To the extent that larger businesses can use economies of scale to reduce their burden, the overall burden will be reduced.

**5(d) Collection Schedule**

The specific frequency for each information collection activity within this request is shown at the end of this document in Table 1: Annual Respondent Burden and Cost – NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal).

**6. Estimating the Burden and Cost of the Collection**

Table 1 documents the computation of individual burdens for the recordkeeping and reporting requirements applicable to the industry for the subpart included in this ICR. The individual burdens are expressed under standardized headings believed to be consistent with the concept of ‘Burden’ under the Paperwork Reduction Act. Where appropriate, specific tasks and major assumptions have been identified. Responses to this information collection are mandatory.

The Agency may neither conduct nor sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

**6(a) Estimating Respondent Burden**

The average annual burden to industry over the next three years from these record-keeping and reporting requirements is estimated to be 18,700 hours (Total Labor Hours from Table 1 below). These hours are based on Agency studies and background documents from the development of these regulations, Agency knowledge and experience with the NSPS program, the previously-approved ICR, and any comments received.

**6(b) Estimating Respondent Costs**

**(i) Estimating Labor Costs**

This ICR uses the following labor rates:

Managerial $157.61 ($75.05 + 110%)

Technical $123.94 ($59.02 + 110%)

Clerical $62.52 ($29.77 + 110%)

These rates are from the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, September 2021, “Table 2. Civilian Workers, by occupational and industry group.” The rates are from column 1, “Total compensation.” The rates have been increased by 110 percent to account for varying industry wage rates and the additional overhead business costs of employing workers beyond their wages and benefits, including business expenses associated with hiring, training, and equipping their employees.

For public facilities, this ICR uses the following labor rates:

Managerial $70.56 (GS-13, Step 5, $44.10 + 60%)

Technical $52.37 (GS-12, Step 1, $32.73 + 60%)

Clerical $28.34(GS-6, Step 3, $17.17 + 60%)

These rates are from the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), 2022 General Schedule, which excludes locality rates of pay. The rates have been increased by 60 percent to account for the benefit packages available to Federal government employees.

**(ii) Estimating Capital/Startup and Operation and Maintenance Costs**

The type of industry costs associated with the information collection activities in the subject standard(s) are both labor costs, which are addressed elsewhere in this ICR, and the costs associated with continuous monitoring. The capital/startup costs are one-time costs when a facility becomes subject to these regulations. The annual operation and maintenance costs are the ongoing costs to maintain the monitor(s) and such other costs as photocopying and postage.

**(iii) Capital/Startup vs. Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Costs**

| **Capital/Startup vs. Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Costs** | | | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| (A)  Continuous Monitoring Device | (B)  Capital/Startup Cost for One Respondent | (C)  Number of New Respondentsa | (D)  Total Capital/Startup Cost, (B X C) | (E)  Annual O&M Costs for One Respondent | (F)  Number of Respondents with O&Mb | (G)  Total O&M,  (E X F) |
| Load monitors, temperature monitors, and carbon federate monitors (Sections 60.1315 thru 60.1335) | $200,000 | 0 | $0 | $19,200 | 8 | $153,600 |
| Totals (rounded)c |  |  | $0 |  |  | $154,000 |

a We estimate that no additional facilities will become subject to this subpart over the next three years.

b The estimated number of facilities with O&M costs includes the 8 existing small MWC units (at 6 plants).

c Totals have been rounded to 3 significant figures. Figures may not add exactly due to rounding.

The total capital/startup costs for this ICR are $0. This is the total of column D in the above table.

The total operation and maintenance (O&M) costs for this ICR are $154,000. This is the total of column G.

The average annual cost for capital/startup and operation and maintenance costs to industry over the next three years of the ICR is estimated to be $154,000. These are the recordkeeping costs.

**6(c) Estimating Agency Burden and Cost**

The only costs to the Agency are those costs associated with analysis of the reported information. The EPA's overall compliance and enforcement program includes such activities as the examination of records maintained by the respondents, periodic inspection of sources of emissions, and the publication and distribution of collected information.

The average annual Agency cost during the three years of the ICR is estimated to be $40,200.

This cost is based on the average hourly labor rate as follows:

Managerial $70.56 (GS-13, Step 5, $44.10 + 60%)

Technical $52.37 (GS-12, Step 1, $32.73 + 60%)

Clerical $28.34(GS-6, Step 3, $17.17 + 60%)

These rates are from the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), 2022 General Schedule, which excludes locality rates of pay. The rates have been increased by 60 percent to account for the benefit packages available to Federal government employees. Details upon which this estimate is based appear at the end of this document in Table 2: Average Annual EPA Burden and Cost – NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA).

**6(d) Estimating the Respondent Universe and Total Burden and Costs**

Based on our research for this ICR, on average over the next three years, approximately 6 existing respondents will be subject to these standards. It is estimated that no additional respondents per year will become subject to these same standards. The overall average number of respondents, as shown in the table below, is 6 per year.

The number of respondents is calculated using the following table that addresses the three years covered by this ICR:

| **Number of Respondents** | | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Respondents That Submit Reports | | Respondents That Do Not Submit Any Reports |  | |
| Year | (A)  Number of New Respondents 1 | (B)  Number of Existing Respondents | (C)  Number of Existing Respondents that keep records but do not submit reports | (D)  Number of Existing Respondents That Are Also New Respondents | (E)  Number of Respondents  (E=A+B+C-D) |
| 1 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 3 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Average | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 |

1 New respondents include sources with constructed, reconstructed and modified affected facilities.

Column D is subtracted to avoid double-counting respondents. As shown above, the average Number of Respondents over the three-year period of this ICR is 6.

The total number of annual responses per year is calculated using the following table:

| **Total Annual Responses** | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| (A)  Information Collection Activity | (B)  Number of Respondents | (C)  Number of Responses | (D)  Number of Existing Respondents That Keep Records But Do Not Submit Reports | (E)  Total Annual Responses  E=(BxC)+D |
| Plant Startup (Waste Separation Plan, Notifications, etc.) a | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Notifications (Performance Test, CEMS Demonstration, etc.) a | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Annual Reports b | 6 | 1.33 | 0 | 8 |
| Semiannual Excess Emission Reports c | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
|  |  |  | Total (rounded) | 10 |

a New respondents include sources with constructed, reconstructed and modified affected facilities. We assume no new respondents will be subject to the rule in the next three years.

b There is an average of 1.33 affected facility (i.e. sources or units) per respondent (i.e. plant).

8 facilities / 6 plants = 1.33 facilities/plant (rounded).

c Assumes a total of 2 semiannual excess emission reports (1 report for a privately-owned source and 1 report for a state/local government-owned source).

The number of Total Annual Responses is 10.

The total annual labor costs are $2,030,000. Details regarding these estimates may be found at the end of this document in Table 1: Annual Respondent Burden and Cost – NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal).

**6(e) Bottom Line Burden Hours and Cost Tables**

The detailed bottom line burden hours and cost calculations for the respondents and the Agency are shown in Tables 1 and 2 at the end of this document, respectively, and summarized below.

**(i) Respondent Tally**

The total annual labor hours are 18,700 hours. Details regarding these estimates may be found below in Table 1: Annual Respondent Burden and Cost – NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal).

We assume that burdens for managerial tasks take 5% of the time required for technical tasks because the typical tasks for managers are to review and approve reports. Clerical burdens are assumed to take 10% of the time required for technical tasks because the typical duties of clerical staff are to proofread the reports, make copies and maintain records.

Furthermore, the annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1,870 hours per response.

The total annual capital/startup and O&M costs to the regulated entity are $154,000. The cost calculations are detailed in Section 6(b)(iii), Capital/Startup vs. Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Costs.

**(ii) The Agency Tally**

The average annual Agency burden and cost over next three years is estimated to be 787 labor hours at a cost of $40,200; see below in Table 2: Average Annual EPA Burden and Cost – NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal).

We assume that burdens for managerial tasks take 5% of the time required for technical tasks because the typical tasks for managers are to review and approve reports. Clerical burdens are assumed to take 10% of the time required for technical tasks because the typical duties of clerical staff are to proofread the reports, make copies, and maintain records.

**6(f) Reasons for Change in Burden**

The increase in burden from the most-recently approved ICR is due to an adjustment. The adjustment increase in respondent burden from the most recently approved ICR is due to an increase in the number of respondents. The number of respondents reflects one new facility over the past three years. The increase is also due to the use of updated labor rates from the most- recent Bureau of Labor Statistics report (September 2021). There is an increase in the operation and maintenance (O&M) costs due to the increase in the number of respondents over the past three years. However, no additional respondents are predicted during the three-year period of this ICR.

**6(g) Burden Statement**

The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1,870 hours per response. ‘Burden’ means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information either 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.

An agency may neither conduct nor sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. The OMB Control Numbers for EPA regulations are listed at 40 CFR Part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15.

To comment on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including the use of automated collection techniques, EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2022-0023. An electronic version of the public docket is available at [*http://www.regulations.gov/*](http://www.regulations.gov/)*,* which may be used 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. When in the system, select “search,” then key in the docket ID number identified in this document. The documents are also available for public viewing at the Enforcement and Compliance Docket and Information Center in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), WJC West, Room 3334, 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. Due to COVID-19 precautions, entry to the Reading Room is available by appointment only. Please contact personnel in the Reading Room to schedule an appointment. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the docket center is (202) 566-1752. Also, you can send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA. Please include the EPA Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2022-0023 and OMB Control Number 2060-0423 in any correspondence.

**Part B of the Supporting Statement**

This part is not applicable because no statistical methods were used in collecting this information.

**Table 1: Annual Respondent Burden and Cost – NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Burden Item** | **(A)** | **(B)** | **(C)** | **(D)** | **(E)** | **(F)** | **(G)** | **(H)** |
| **Respondent Hours Per Occurrence** | **Number of Occurrences Per Respondent Per Year** | **Person Hours Per Respondent Per Year (AxB)** | **Number of Respondents Per Year a** | **Technical Hours Per Year (CxD)** | **Management Hours Per Year (Ex0.05)** | **Clerical Hours Per Year (Ex0.1)** | **Total Cost Per Year, $** |
| 1. Applications | N/A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Surveys and Studies | N/A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **3. Reporting Requirements for Private Sources b** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A. Familiarization with rule requirements |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) New Sources | 40 | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 2) Existing Sources | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 0.25 | 0.5 | $690.36 |
| B. Required Activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Initial performance tests and reports (PM, dioxins/furans, opacity, fugitives, HCl, Cd, Pb, Hg) | 775 | 1 | 775 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 2) CEMS demonstration (SO2, NOx, opacity, CO, CO2, O2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a) Installation of CEM units | 225 | 1 | 225 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| b) Initial demonstration | 450 | 1 | 450 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 3) Annual performance tests and test reports (PM, dioxins/furans, opacity, fugitives, HCl, Cd, Pb, Hg) | 775 | 1 | 775 | 5 | 3875 | 193.75 | 387.50 | $535,030.94 |
| 4) Quarterly Appendix F audits of CEMS (SO2, NOx, CO) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a) RATA audit (one per year) d, e, h | 350 | 1.33 | 466 | 5 | 2327.5 | 116.38 | 232.75 | $321,363.74 |
| b) RAA audit (three per year) f, h | 130 | 4.00 | 520.0 | 5 | 2600.00 | 130.00 | 260.00 | $358,988.50 |
| c) Daily calibration and operation g | 1 | 485.5 | 485.5 | 5 | 2427.50 | 121.38 | 242.75 | $335,170.99 |
| C. Create Information | See 3B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D. Gather Information | See 3E |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E. Report Preparation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Plant startup |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a) Preliminary and final material separation plans and siting analysis | 270 | 1 | 270 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| b) Public meeting and comment response | 140 | 1 | 140 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| c) Notification of construction | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| d) Notification of startup | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 2) Notification of initial performance tests | 4 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 3) Initial compliance reports | 40 | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 4) Notification of CEMS demonstration | 4 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 5) Initial CEMS demonstration report | 40 | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 6) Annual compliance reports d | 40 | 1.33 | 53.20 | 5 | 266.00 | 13.30 | 26.60 | $36,727.29 |
| 7) Semi-annual excess emission reports i | 40 | 2 | 80 | 0.5 | 40 | 2 | 4 | $5,522.90 |
| ***Subtotal Reporting Requirements (Private Sources)*** |  |  |  |  | ***13,272*** | | | ***$1,593,495*** |
| **3. Reporting Requirements for State/Local Government Sources c** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A. Familiarization with rule requirements |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) New Sources | 40 | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0.00 |
| 2) Existing Sources | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0.05 | 0.1 | $58.73 |
| B. Required Activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Initial performance tests and reports (PM, dioxins/furans, opacity, fugitives, HCl, Cd, Pb, Hg) | 775 | 1 | 775 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 2) CEMS demonstration (SO2, NOx, opacity, CO, CO2, O2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a) Installation of CEM units | 225 | 1 | 225 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| b) Initial demonstration | 450 | 1 | 450 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 3) Annual performance tests and test reports (PM, dioxins/furans, opacity, fugitives, HCl, Cd, Pb, Hg) | 775 | 1 | 775 | 1 | 775 | 38.75 | 77.5 | $45,517.30 |
| 4) Quarterly Appendix F audits of CEMS (SO2, NOx, CO) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a) RATA audit (one per year) d, e, h | 350 | 1.33 | 465.5 | 1 | 466 | 23.275 | 46.6 | $27,339.75 |
| b) RAA audit (three per year) f, h | 130 | 4 | 520 | 1 | 520.0 | 26 | 52 | $30,540.64 |
| c) Daily calibration and operation g | 1 | 485.5 | 485.5 | 1 | 485.5 | 24.28 | 48.55 | $28,514.39 |
| C. Create Information | See 3B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D. Gather Information | See 3E |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E. Report Preparation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Plant startup |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a) Preliminary and final material separation plans and siting analysis | 270 | 1 | 270 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| b) Public meeting and comment response | 140 | 1 | 140 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| c) Notification of construction | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| d) Notification of startup | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 2) Notification of initial performance tests | 4 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 3) Initial compliance reports | 40 | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 4) Notification of CEMS demonstration | 4 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 5) Initial CEMS demonstration report | 40 | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 6) Annual compliance reports d | 40 | 1.33 | 53.2 | 1 | 53.2 | 2.66 | 5.32 | $3,124.54 |
| 7) Semi-annual excess emission reports i | 40 | 2 | 80 | 0.5 | 40 | 2 | 4 | $2,349.28 |
| ***Subtotal Reporting Requirements (State/Local Government Sources)*** |  |  |  |  | ***2,691*** | | | ***$137,445*** |
| ***Total Reporting Requirements for Private and State/Local Government Sources*** |  |  |  |  | ***15,963*** | | | ***$1,730,939*** |
| **4. Recordkeeping Requirements for Private Sources b** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A. Familiarization with rule requirements | See 3A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| B. Plan Activities | See 3B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C. Implement Activities | See 3B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D. Develop Record System | N/A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E. Record information |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Record startups, shutdowns, and malfunctions j | 4 | 47 | 188 | 5 | 940 | 47.00 | 94.00 | $129,788.15 |
| 2) Records of all emission rates, computations, tests j | 4 | 47 | 188 | 5 | 940 | 47.00 | 94.00 | $129,788.15 |
| 3) Records of employee review of operations manual | 4 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 20 | 1.00 | 2.00 | $2,761.45 |
| 4) Record amount of sorbent used for Hg and dioxin/furan control | 4 | 4 | 16 | 5 | 80 | 4.00 | 8.00 | $11,045.80 |
| F. Personnel Training | N/A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| G. Time for audits | N/A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ***Subtotal Recordkeeping Requirements (Private Sources)*** |  |  |  |  | ***2,277*** | | | ***$273,384*** |
| **4. Recordkeeping Requirements for State/Local Government Sources c** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A. Familiarization with rule requirements | See 3A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| B. Plan Activities | See 3B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C. Implement Activities | See 3B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D. Develop Record System | N/A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E. Record information |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Record startups, shutdowns, and malfunctions j | 4 | 47 | 188 | 1 | 188 | 9.4 | 18.8 | $11,041.62 |
| 2) Records of all emission rates, computations, tests j | 4 | 47 | 188 | 1 | 188 | 9.4 | 18.8 | $11,041.62 |
| 3) Records of employee review of operations manual | 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | $234.93 |
| 4) Record amount of sorbent used for Hg and dioxin/furan control | 4 | 4 | 16 | 1 | 16 | 0.8 | 1.6 | $939.71 |
| F. Personnel Training | N/A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| G. Time for audits | N/A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ***Subtotal Recordkeeping Requirements (State/Local Government Sources)*** |  |  |  |  | ***455*** | | | ***$23,258*** |
| ***Total Recordkeeping Requirements for Private and State/Local Government Sources*** |  |  |  |  | ***2732*** | | | ***$296,641*** |
| **TOTAL LABOR BURDEN AND COST (rounded): k** |  |  |  |  | **18,700** | | | **$2,030,000** |
| **TOTAL CAPITAL AND O&M COST (rounded):k** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | **$154,000** |
| **GRAND TOTAL (rounded):k** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | **$2,180,000** |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **ASSUMPTIONS** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a We have assumed that the average number of existing respondents that will be subject to the rule will be 6. There will be no additional new sources that will become subject to the rule over the three-year period of this ICR. | | | | | | | | |
| b This ICR uses the following labor rates for private sources: $157.61 per hour for Executive, Administrative, and Managerial labor; $123.94 per hour for Technical labor, and $62.52 per hour for Clerical labor. These rates are from the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, September 2021 “Table 2. Civilian Workers, by Occupational and Industry Group.” The rates are from column 1, “Total compensation.” The rates have been increased by 110% to account for varying industry wage rates and the additional overhead business costs of employing workers beyond their wages and benefits, including business expenses associated with hiring, training, and equipping their employees. | | | | | | | | |
| c This ICR uses the following labor rates for public sources: Managerial rate of $70.56 (GS-13, Step 5, $44.10 + 60%), Technical rate of $52.37 (GS-12, Step 1, $32.73 + 60%), and Clerical rate of $28.34 (GS-6, Step 3, $17.17 + 60%). These rates are from the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), “2022 General Schedule” which excludes locality rates of pay. The rates have been increased by 60 percent to account for the benefit packages available to government employees. | | | | | | | | |
| d There are an average of 1.33 affected facilities (i.e., sources or units) per respondent [8 facilities at 6 plants = 1.33 (Rounded)]. | | | | | | | | |
| e Relative accuracy test audits (RATA) occur once per year for each affected facility (1 x 1.33 = 1.33). | | | | | | | | |
| f Relative accuracy audits (RAA) occur three times per year for each affected facility (3 x 1.33 = 4). | | | | | | | | |
| g Daily calibration and operation data occurs daily (365 x 1.33 = 485.5). | | | | | | | | |
| h RATA audits are performed for one of the four quarterly audits. RAA tests are performed for three of the four quarterly audits. Audits of the diluent monitor (O2 or CO2) are not required because tests on SO2 and CO monitors will incorporate the use of the diluent monitor. | | | | | | | | |
| i Assumes a total of 2 semiannual excess emission reports (1 report for a privately-owned source and 1 report for a state/local government-owned source). | | | | | | | | |
| j Assumes 47 weeks of operation (90 percent availability) per year per facility. | | | | | | | | |
| k Totals have been rounded to 3 significant figures. Figures may not add exactly due to rounding. | | | | | | | | |

**Table 2: Average Annual EPA Burden and Cost – NSPS for Small Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR Part 60, Subpart AAAA) (Renewal)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Burden Item** | **(A)** | **(B)** | **(C)** | **(D)** | **(E)** | **(F)** | **(G)** | **(H)** |
| **EPA Hours Per Occurrence** | **Number of Occurrences Per Year** | **EPA Person Hours Per Year (AxB)** | **Respondents Per Year a** | **Tech Hours Per Year (CxD)** | **Management Hours Per Year (F=Ex0.05)** | **Clerical Hours Per Year (G=Ex0.1)** | **EPA Cost Per Year,$ b** |
| 1. Applications | N/A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Read and Understand Rule Requirements | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| A. Create Information | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| B. Gather Information | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| C. Report Reviews |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1) Review preliminary and final material separation plans and siting analysis | 8 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 2) Review notification of construction | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 3) Review notification of startup | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 4) Review notification of initial performance test | 8 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 5) Review notification of initial CEMS demonstration | 4 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 6) Review initial performance test report | 40 | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 7) Review initial CEMS demonstration report | 40 | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $0 |
| 8) Review annual compliance report | 70 | 1 | 70 | 6 | 420 | 21.00 | 42 | $24,667.44 |
| 9) Review semi-annual excess emission report c | 16 | 2 | 32 | 2 | 64 | 3.2 | 6.4 | $3,758.85 |
| D. Prepare annual summary report | 200 | 1 | 200 | 1 | 200 | 10 | 20 | $11,746.40 |
| **TOTAL ANNUAL BURDEN AND COST (rounded) d** | | | | | **787** | | | **$40,200** |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **ASSUMPTIONS** | | | | | | | | |
| a We have assumed that the average number of respondents that will be subject to the rule will be 6. There will be no additional new sources that will become subject to the rule over the three-year period of this ICR. | | | | | | | | |
| b This cost is based on the following labor rates: Managerial rate of $70.56 (GS-13, Step 5, $44.10 + 60%), Technical rate of $52.37 (GS-12, Step 1, $32.73 + 60%), and Clerical rate of $28.34 (GS-6, Step 3, $17.17+ 60%). These rates are from the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), “2022 General Schedule” which excludes locality rates of pay. The rates have been increased by 60 percent to account for the benefit packages available to government employees. | | | | | | | | |
| c Assumes a total of 2 excess emissions reports from all affected facilities. | | | | | | | | |
| d Totals have been rounded to 3 significant figures. Figures may not add exactly due to rounding. | | | | | | | | |