

Attachment F: Consultation (Stakeholder Engagement)

Hello,

I am contacting you to solicit your input on the renewal of the Information Collection Request (ICR) titled **“Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Renewal Collection and Request for Comment; Chemical Data Reporting Under the Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA),”** identified by OMB Control No. 2070-0162 (see attached questions).

OMB requires federal agencies to consult with nine or fewer potential respondents prior to submitting the ICR renewal to OMB for review and approval. This consultation requirement is in addition to providing the public with 60 days to comment on the proposed collection activity. The notice announcing the ICR renewal and solicitation of comments was published in the *Federal Register* on February 24, 2026 (FR) (FRL-12917-01-OCSPP). See <http://www.regulations.gov>, docket ID EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0721. The ICR supporting statement for this renewal is in that docket.

The Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) requires that agencies receive Office of Management and Budget (OMB) clearance before requesting most types of information from the public. In order to receive OMB clearance, federal agencies prepare draft ICRs providing an overview of the information collection and estimates of the cost and time for the public to respond. The agencies consult with potential respondents and the public about the ICR and, where appropriate, incorporate comments received. The draft ICR is then sent to OMB for its review and approval. These ICRs are periodically renewed.

This ICR addresses the paperwork requirements contained in the current Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) rule ([40 CFR Part 711](#)) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Under TSCA section 8(a) (15 USC 2607), the Agency is authorized to collect certain information on chemical substances manufactured (including imported) or processed in the United States. The CDR collection provides chemical manufacture, processing, and use information that helps EPA identify chemicals to which the public may be exposed as consumers or as workers in commercial and industrial settings. The data also help EPA assess routes of potential exposure to those chemicals. The CDR data collection is on a four-year reporting cycle and contains detailed manufacturing, processing, and use information drawn from the principal reporting year; as well as basic information on production volume, by year, for the three years prior to the principal reporting year. The next CDR collection will occur in 2028.

Please provide responses back to EPA, emailing eCDRweb@epa.gov, by April 3, 2026.

Consultation Questions for Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

(1) Publicly Available Data

- A. Is the data that the Agency seeks available from any public source, or already collected by another office at EPA or by another agency?

- B. If yes, where can you find the data?
(Does your answer indicate a true duplication, or does the input indicate that certain data elements are available, but that they do not meet our data needs very well?)

(2) Frequency of Collection

Can the Agency collect the information less frequently and still produce the same outcome?

(3) Clarity of Instructions

The ICR is intended to require that respondents provide certain data so that the Agency can utilize them.

- A. Based on the instructions (regulations, Instructions for Reporting, etc.), is it clear what you are required to do, and how to submit such data? If not, what suggestions do you have to clarify the instructions?

- B. Do you understand that you are required to maintain records?

- C. Is the electronic reporting tool associated with reporting under CDR clear, logical, and easy to complete? If not, what suggestions do you have to improve the electronic reporting tool?

(4) Electronic Reporting and Record keeping

The Government Paperwork Elimination Act requires agencies make available to the public electronic reporting alternatives to paper-based submissions by 2003, unless there is a strong reason for not doing so.

- A. Are you keeping your records electronically? If yes, in what format?
- B. What benefits does electronic submission bring you in terms of burden reduction or greater efficiency in compiling the information?

(5) Burden and Costs

- A. Are the labor rates accurate? **(Please see question 12 of the supporting statement)**
- B. The Agency assumes there is no capital cost associated with this activity. Is that correct?
- C. Bearing in mind that the burden and cost estimates include only burden hours and costs associated with the paperwork involved with this ICR, *e.g.*, the ICR does not include estimated burden hours and costs for conducting studies, are the estimated burden hours and labor rates accurate? If you provide burden and cost estimates that are substantially different from EPA's, please provide an explanation of how you arrived at your estimates.
- D. Are there other costs that should be accounted for that may have been missed?