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Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators/Clean Air Act New Source Performance Standards: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Public Notices Information Collection Request Renewal

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The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") published in the December 28th Federal Register an Information Collection Request ("ICR") for Clean Air Act New Source Performance Standards ("NSPS") for Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators. See EPA ICR No. 1730.12 – OMB Control Number 2060-0363.

The ICR was submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for a review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act.

The ICR is a proposed request for renewal.

ICRs are a set of documents that include reporting, recordkeeping, survey, or other information that a federal government agency collects from 10 or more members of the public. The Paperwork Reduction Act requires that every federal agency obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget before collecting the same or similar information from 10 or more members of the public.

The information encompassed by an ICR includes:

- A description of the information to be collected
- The reason the information is needed
- An estimate of the time and cost for the public to answer the request

Section 111 of the Clean Air Act addresses NSPS. These are applicable to new, modified, or reconstruction stationary sources for which EPA has promulgated NSPS regulations. NSPS are developed and implemented by EPA and are delegated to the states.

The Clean Air Act NSPS for Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators are found at 40 C.F.R. Part 60, Subpart Ec. The EPA ICR is stated to encompass the reporting and recordkeeping requirements associated with the revised NSPS – which apply only to new facilities. New facilities include those that commenced construction after December 1, 2008 or commenced modification after April 6, 2010. The ICR is stated to have been prepared to assure compliance with 40 C.F.R. Part 60, Subpart Ec.

A copy of the Federal Register Notice can be downloaded here.