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[www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in hard copy at the OEI Docket in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-ORD-2007-0972; FRL-8477-8]

### Draft Scientific and Ethical Approaches for Observational Exposure Studies

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) announces a 45-day public comment period for the draft document titled, "Scientific and Ethical Approaches for Observational Exposure Studies." This public comment period will overlap an external peer review of the draft document by EPA's Human Studies Review Board (HSRB) and discussion at their meeting on October 24, 2007. Notice of the HSRB meeting was published in the **Federal Register** on September 27, 2007, at 72 FR 54908 (Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2007-0942) and is posted on the EPA HSRB Web site, <http://www.epa.gov/osa/hsrb/>.

The draft document presents "state-of-the-science" approaches for conducting observational exposure studies based on sound science and conforming to the highest ethical standards. These studies, which collect information on how people come into contact with chemicals as they go about their everyday activities, are critical to EPA's mission to protect human health. This document is intended to serve as a resource and reference for researchers and is not meant to represent an official Agency "guidance document."

EPA is releasing this draft document solely for the purpose of pre-dissemination peer review under applicable information quality guidelines. This document has not been formally disseminated by EPA. It does not represent and should not be construed to represent any Agency policy or determination. EPA will consider any public comments submitted in accordance with this notice when revising the document.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 19, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** The draft document is available primarily via the Internet on the National Exposure Research Laboratory's home page under the Scientific and Ethical Approaches for Observational Exposure Studies link at <http://www.epa.gov/nerl/sots>. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2007-0972, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- *E-mail:* [ORD.Docket@epa.gov](mailto:ORD.Docket@epa.gov).

- *Fax:* 202-566-1753.

- *Mail:* Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2007-0972, Office of Research and Development (ORD) Docket, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code: 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

- *Hand Delivery:* EPA Headquarters Docket Center, EPA West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

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the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on the public comment period, contact the Office of Research and Development (ORD) Docket; telephone: 202-566-1752; facsimile: 202-566-9744; or e-mail: [ORD.Docket@epa.gov](mailto:ORD.Docket@epa.gov).

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Information About the Document

EPA researchers conduct observational exposure studies to understand how and the extent to which people come into contact with chemicals in their everyday lives. The researchers and their managers take the protection of human subjects who participate in these observational studies very seriously. EPA wants to ensure that the procedures used in their studies meet or exceed the most up-to-date scientific and ethical standards. To address this goal, researchers at the Agency's National Exposure Research Lab (NERL) have prepared this document to identify key scientific and

ethical issues and to provide information and resources to assist researchers as they plan and implement observational exposure studies. This document is not meant to represent an official Agency "guidance document." Moreover, it recognizes that researchers will work with others—EPA's Human Subjects Research Review Official, Institutional Review Board (IRB) members, the participants and their community, and other stakeholders—to identify and address all of the relevant issues for any specific study to ensure that all participants are respected and protected. The draft document was developed through recommendations from nationally-recognized experts, public comment and external peer review in an open and transparent process. As part of this process, the document is being submitted to EPA's Human Studies Review Board (HSRB), which was established to provide advice, information, and recommendations on issues related to scientific and ethical aspects of human subjects research.

Dated: September 26, 2007.

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Public Information Collection Requirement Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval, Comments Requested

September 26, 2007

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the

information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before November 5, 2007. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contacts listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, Office of Management and Budget, via Internet at [Nicholas\\_A.\\_Fraser@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov) or via fax at (202) 395-5167 and to Cathy Williams, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C823, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC or via Internet at [Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov](mailto:Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov).

To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) Go to the Web page <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>, (2) look for the section of the Web page called "Currently Under Review," (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the "Select Agency" box below the "Currently Under Review" heading, (4) select "Federal Communications Commission" from the list of agencies presented in the "Select Agency" box, (5) click the "Submit" button to the right of the "Select Agency" box, (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the title of this ICR (or its OMB control number, if there is one) and then click on the ICR Reference Number to view detailed information about this ICR."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0787.

*Title:* Implementation of the Subscriber Carrier Selection Changes Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Policies and Rules Concerning Unauthorized Changes of Consumers' Long Distance Carriers, CC Docket No. 94-129, FCC 03-42.

*Form Number:* Not Applicable.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit entities; and State, local, or tribal Governments.