



**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

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**Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Certification and Compliance Requirements for Nonroad Spark-Ignition Engines (Renewal), ICR 1695.11, OMB 2060-0338**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), “Certification and Compliance Requirements for Nonroad Spark-Ignition Engines (Renewal)”, ICR 1695.11, OMB 2060-0338 to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection request as described below. This notice is a proposed extension of the Nonroad Spark-Ignition Engines ICR, which is currently approved through October 31, 2019. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing the Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2004-0060, to the EPA: online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without

change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julian Davis, Attorney Adviser, Compliance Division, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2000 Traverwood, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48105; telephone number: 734-214-4029; fax number 734-214-4869; email address: *davis.julian@epa.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Supporting documents which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting will be available in the public docket, EPA-HQ-OAR-2004-0060, for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in person at the EPA Docket Center, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it to: (i) evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting

electronic submission of responses. EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, EPA will issue another Federal Register notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

*Abstract:* This information collection is requested under the authority of Title II of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7521 et seq.) Under this Title, EPA is charged with issuing certificates of conformity for those engines which comply with applicable emission standards. Such a certificate must be issued before engines may be legally introduced into commerce. To apply for a certificate of conformity, manufacturers are required to submit descriptions of their planned production line, including detailed descriptions of the emission control system, and test data. This information is organized by “engine family” groups expected to have similar emission characteristics. The emission values achieved during certification testing may also be used in the Averaging, Banking, and Trading (ABT) Program. The program allows manufacturers to bank credits for engine families that emit below the standard and use the credits for families that emit above the standard. They may also trade banked credits with other manufacturers. Participation in the ABT program is voluntary. Different categories of spark-ignition engines may also be required to comply with production-line testing (PLT) and in-use testing. There are also recordkeeping and labeling requirements. This information is collected electronically by the Gasoline Engine Compliance Center (GECC), Compliance Division, Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ), Office of Air and Radiation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. GECC uses this information to ensure that manufacturers comply with applicable regulations and the Clean Air Act (CAA). It may also be used by the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA) and the Department of Justice for enforcement purposes. Non-

CBI may be disclosed on OTAQ's Web site or upon request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to trade associations, environmental groups, and the public. Any information submitted for which a claim of confidentiality is made is safeguarded according to EPA regulations at 40 CFR 2.201 et seq.

*Form numbers:* The EPA has developed forms, some of which are Excel-based, for the compliance programs in this ICR, such as ABT, PLT and In-use Testing, as well as for production reporting. Manufacturers may download these forms from EPA's website at <https://www.epa.gov/vehicle-and-engine-certification/compliance-reporting-nonroad-spark-ignition-si-engines> and submit these forms through the EPA's engine and vehicle compliance information system's (EV-CIS) document module. All of these forms are available for review in the Docket EPA-HQ-OAR-2004-0060.

*Respondents/affected entities:*

Respondents are manufacturers of nonroad engines within the following North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code:

- 333618 Other Engine Equipment Manufacturing
- 336312 Gasoline Engine and Engine Parts Manufacturing
- 336999 Other Transportation Equipment Manufacturing
- 336991 Motorcycle, Bicycle and Parts Manufacturing
- 333112 Lawn & Garden Tractor and Home Lawn & Garden Equipment Manufacturing
- 335312 Motor and Generator Manufacturing

*Estimated number of respondents:* 620 (total).

*Frequency of response:* yearly for certification, production, ABT, and warranty reports.

*Total estimated burden:* 249.3 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b)

*Total estimated cost:* \$38,530.31 (per year), includes \$17,666.82 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

*Changes in estimates:* There is a decrease of 16,141 hours (from 265,475 hours to 249,334) in the total estimated burden in this collection from the burden currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved ICRs. This reduction is primarily due to an adjustment in the hours required to file a complete application for certification and conduct compliance activities throughout a calendar year.

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