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**Title:** Part B Permit Application, Permit Modifications, and Special Permits, OMB Control No. 2050-0009, EPA ICR No. 1573.10, expiring on March 31, 2003. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB.

**Abstract:** Section 3005 of Subtitle C of RCRA requires treatment, storage or disposal (TSD) facilities to obtain a permit. To obtain the permit, the TSD must submit an application describing the facility's operation. There are two parts to the RCRA permit application—part A and part B. Part A defines the processes to be used for treatment, storage, and disposal of hazardous

wastes; the design capacity of such processes; and the specific hazardous wastes to be handled at the facility. Part B requires detailed site specific information such as geologic, hydrologic, and engineering data. In the event that permit modifications are proposed by the applicant or EPA, modifications must conform to the requirements under sections 3004 and 3005.

This ICR provides a comprehensive discussion of the requirements for owner/operators of TSDFs submitting applications for a part B permit or permit modification. The information collections contained in this ICR are divided into three sections: demonstrations and exemptions from requirements (40 CFR part 264), contents of the part B application (40 CFR part 270), and permit modifications and special permits (40 CFR part 270).

#### **Demonstrations and Exemptions From Requirements**

40 CFR part 264 contains minimum standards for TSDFs consisting of both administrative and technical requirements. Owner/operators may obtain exemption from certain requirements by submitting demonstrations to EPA. In most cases, these demonstrations will be submitted along with the part B application. Section 264.90 allows owner/operators to submit a demonstration for exemption from the subpart F requirements regarding releases to the uppermost aquifer. In addition, owner/operators of tank systems, surface impoundments, waste piles, landfills, land treatment facilities and incinerators may apply for exemptions from certain technical requirements by submitting demonstrations under §§ 264.193, .221, .251, .272, .301 and .344, respectively.

Contents of the Part B Application 40 CFR part 270 contains requirements for owner/operators submitting a part B permit application. Section 270.1 allows owner/operators of certain facilities closing by removal or decontamination to petition for an exemption from post-closure permit requirements. Section 270.10 requires owner/operators of certain facilities to provide information on the potential for public exposure resulting from unit-related releases.

Part B of the permit application consists of the general and specific information requirements contained in §§ 270.14 through 270.29. These part B information requirements reflect the standards promulgated in 40 CFR part 264. Under § 270.14(a), owner/operators who can demonstrate that the information prescribed in part B cannot

be provided to the extent required may receive case-by-case allowances from EPA.

General information requirements are outlined in § 270.14. Sections 270.14(b)(1)–(14) require owner/operators to provide information on compliance with general facility standards. Financial assurance information is required under §§ 270.15–.18. Section 270.14(b)(19) requires owner/operators to submit a topographical map, and § 270.14(b)(21) covers special requirements for owner/operators of land disposal facilities granted case-by-case extensions under § 268.5 or petitions under § 268.6. Information on ground-water quality and monitoring programs for land disposal facilities is discussed under §§ 270.14(c)(1)–(8). Section 270.14(d) establishes part B information requirements for solid waste management units.

In addition to the general part B information that must be submitted by all owner/operators of TSDFs, there are unique information requirements related to the type of unit for which the owner/operator is seeking a permit. The requirements under §§ 270.15–.21 and .23 address specific requirements for the following types of units: containers, tank systems, surface impoundments, waste piles, incinerators, land treatment units, landfills, boilers and industrial furnaces, and miscellaneous units. Sections 270.24 and 270.25 apply to facilities with process vents or equipment subject to the requirements of 40 CFR parts 264/265, subparts AA and BB, respectively. Section 270.26 applies to facilities with drip pads subject to the requirements of 40 CFR parts 264/265, subpart W.

Some owner/operators may also be required to submit a schedule of compliance leading to compliance with RCRA and regulations as part of their application. The requirements for schedules of compliance are contained in § 270.33.

#### **Permit Modifications and Special Permits**

Sections 270.40 through 270.42 address the requirements for permit modifications. Section 270.40 applies to owner/operators transferring ownership or operational control of a facility. These owner/operators must submit Class 1 permit modifications as well as a written agreement containing specific transfer information. Requirements for owner/operators submitting permit modifications at the request of the Agency are contained in § 270.41. Requirements for Class 1, 2, and 3 permit modifications submitted at the