

A draft application is available for public comment. Per the Federal Register notice announcing the request, comments are due on July 9, 2007. To comment, you must go to www.regulations.gov and click on Advanced Search, then Docket Search. The docket ID number is EPA-HQ-OPPT-2007-0274. The draft application is included in document EPA-HQ-OPPT-2007-0274-0002, Information Collection Request (ICR): Reporting Requirements under EPA's Safer Detergents Stewardship Initiative (SDSI) Program. If you would like more information, please contact Kathleen Vokes (vokes.kathleen@epa.gov) or Libby Sommer(sommer.elizabeth@epa.gov).

Dear Tom,

Thank you for your email and your interest in SDSI. If you would like to submit comments to me, I would be happy to take a look at them. We are already in the process of submitting the updated draft through our internal review process to OMB, but there will be another opportunity for public comment.

In the meantime, I will add you to our email list of interested stakeholders. Perhaps you would be interested in participating as a partner or champion in this program? If you have ideas you would like to discuss, please feel free to call me.

Best Regards,
Kathleen

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Subject I see from the public notice that I missed the deadline comments

Kathleen and Elizabeth,

I have just received this information about the Safer Detergents Stewardship Initiative. I see from the public notice that I missed the deadline for comments. One of the many volunteer jobs I have is serving on the policy committee for the Barnegat Bay Estuary Program. I also work with the Delaware and Hudson River Estuary Initiatives. I have been involved with this issue for many years. If I had known about this sooner, I would have submitted written comments. Since that is not an option, I would like to be put on the list to be kept informed about this initiative. If you have any lists or other handouts about maker safer choices, please forward them to me so I can share with colleagues in the environmental and fisheries organizations.

I also sit on the Board of the Marine Fish Conservation Network, NJ Environmental Federation, and Governmental Affairs for the American Sportfishing Association. I spent most of my time as the legislative chair for the Jersey Coast Anglers Association and the NJ State Federation of Sportsmen. On a personal note, I got involved with endocrine disrupters when we began seeing the effects of Agent Orange. As a disabled Vietnam veteran I have personal experience with the consequences of environmental problems and realize how serious this is. I was retired as US Army Captain because of my disabilities. JCAA and NJ State Federation both publish newspapers that are distributed to thousands of our members, outdoor writers, legislators and the public. Check out JCAA web page and you will see stories on this issue over the years. We want to keep them informed. I am looking forward to working with you on this important issue.

Sincerely

Tom Fote

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