

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit and Small Businesses or organizations

**Frequency:** On occasion

**Respondents Obligation:** Required to obtain or retain a benefit

**Desk Officer:** Mr. Peter N. Weiss.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Weiss at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DOD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503

**DOD Clearance Officer:** Mr. William P. Pearce. Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Pearce, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302

Dated: March 29, 1995.

**L.M. Bynum,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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#### Office of the Secretary

#### U.S. Strategic Command Strategic Advisory Group

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense, USSTRATCOM.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) will meet in closed session on April 20 and 21, 1995.

The mission of the SAG is to provide timely advice on scientific, technical, and policy-related issues to the Commander in Chief, U.S. Strategic Command, during the development of the nation's strategic warplans. At this meeting, the SAG will discuss strategic issues that relate to the development of the Single Integrated Operational Plan (SIOP). Full development of the topics will require discussion of information classified TOP SECRET in accordance with Executive Order 12356, April 2, 1982. Access to this information must be strictly limited to personnel having requisite security clearances and specific need-to-know. Unauthorized disclosure of the information to be discussed at the SAG meeting could have exceptionally grave impact upon national defense.

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II (1988)), it has been determined that this SAG meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C.

552b(c)(1) (1988), and that, accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP94-21-002]

#### Northern Natural Gas Co.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 29, 1995.

Take notice that on March 23, 1995, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), tendered for filing changes in its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1.

Northern states that the changes were made in compliance with the Commission's Order issued in this proceeding on February 15, 1995, which are intended to reflect the reallocation of SBA costs as provided in the SBA Settlement, filed on September 12, 1994.

Northern states that copies of this filing were served upon the company's customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, in accordance with § 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before April 5, 1995. All protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate proceeding, but will not serve to make protestant a party to the proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for inspection.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5183-7]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR described the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before May 4, 1995.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL:** Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, please refer to EPA ICR #1747.01.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Office of Research and Development

**Title:** Information Collection Request (ICR) for Report and Database on Ecosystem Research in the Pacific Northwest.

**Abstract:** This is a new information collection request to establish a database of ecosystem research activities in the Pacific Northwest. The establishment of the database is one of the tasks assigned under President Clinton's Forest Plan and associated Record of Decision (ROD) from U.S. District Court in Seattle. Specifically, the task requires the EPA to identify possible sources of research activities (State, federal, and university research programs) and compile this information into an EPA electronic database. The information is needed to: (1) Ensure that EPA and non-EPA research conducted in the Pacific Northwest is complementary, (2) help federal research organizations identify research needs or redundant projects, (3) serve as a basis for development of an interagency ecosystem research plan that is responsive to the requirements in the President's Forest Plan.

The information will be gathered through a voluntary mail survey that targets researchers working at various governmental and non-governmental institutions located within the Pacific Northwest. Respondents will be asked to provide information that includes: (1) Identification information (title, contact, and principal investigators), (2) project status (activities, funding), (3) descriptive information about the research (spatial scale, location, ecosystem, etc.), and (4) survey goals and objectives. Respondents shall also be asked to provide their opinion on the top five ecosystem research needs to support the President's Forest Plan. Following the distribution of the survey, the EPA will perform follow-up calls to track survey completion and answer

questions that respondents may have about the survey.

EPA will perform quality assurance checks on completed surveys and enter the information into an electronic database that shall be accessible to researchers. The information will be used by the EPA and research organizations to establish a baseline of information about research activities and encourage coordination among various research institutions.

**Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes for mail surveys, including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and compiling the information, and completing and reviewing the response.

**Respondents:** Researchers at federal, State and university institutions that maintain ecological research programs in the Pacific Northwest.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 500.

**Estimated Number of Responses Per Respondent:** 1.

**Frequency of Collection:** One time.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:** 250 hours.

Send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden to: Sandy Farmer, EPA ICR #, 1747.01, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Information Policy Branch (2136), 401 M St., SW, Washington, DC 20460 and

Timothy Hunt, Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, 725 17th St., NW., Washington, DC 20503

Dated: March 30, 1995.

**Joseph Retzer,**

*Director, Regulatory Information Division.*

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## Office of Research and Development

[FRL-5183-4]

### Ambient Air Monitoring Reference and Equivalent Methods; Equivalent Method Designation

Notice is hereby given that EPA, in accordance with 40 CFR part 53, has designated another equivalent method for the measurement of ambient concentrations of sulfur dioxide. The new equivalent method is an automated method (analyzer) that utilizes a measurement principle based on UV fluorescence. The new designated method is identified as follows:

EQSA-0495-100, "Advanced Pollution Instrumentation, Inc. Model

100A Sulfur Dioxide Analyzer," operated on any full scale range between 0-50 ppb\* and 0-1000 ppb, at any temperature in the range of 5 to 40 degrees C, with a 5-micron TFE filter element installed in the filter assembly, with either the vendor-supplied internal pump or a user- or vender-supplied external vacuum pump capable of maintaining an absolute pressure of 35 cm (14 inches) of mercury (or less) at 1.0 standard liter per minute flow rate, with the following software settings: Dynamic zero: OFF; Dynamic span: OFF; AutoCal: ON or OFF; Dual range: ON or OFF; Autorange: ON or OFF; Temp/pressure compensation: ON; dilution factor: 1.0; and with or without any of the following options:

Rack mount with chassis slides

Rack mount without slides, ears only

Fluorocarbon zero/span valves

Internal zero/span (IZS)

SO<sub>2</sub> Permeation tube, uncertified, 0.4 ppm @ 0.7 L/min

SO<sub>2</sub> Permeation tube, certified, 0.4 ppm @ 0.7 L/min

SO<sub>2</sub> Permeation tube, uncertified, 0.8 ppm @ 0.7 L/min

SO<sub>2</sub> Permeation tube, certified, 0.8 ppm @ 0.7 L/min

4-20 mA, isolated outputs

External pump

Rack mount for external pump with tray

Status outputs

RS-232 output

\*Users should be aware that designation of this analyzer for operation on ranges less than 500 ppb is based on meeting the same absolute performance specifications required for the 0-500 ppb range. Thus, designation of lower ranges does not imply commensurably better performance than that obtained on the 0-500 ppb range.

**Note:** In addition to the U.S. electrical power voltage and frequency, this analyzer is approved for use, with proper factory configuration, on 50 Hertz line frequency and any of the following voltage ranges: 200-242 Vac (220 volts nominal); 216-264 Vac (240 volts nominal).

This method is available from Advanced Pollution Instrumentation, Inc., 8815 Production Avenue, San Diego, California 92121-2219. A notice of receipt of application for this method appeared in the **Federal Register**, Volume 60, January 9, 1995, page 2386.

A test analyzer representative of this method has been tested by the applicant, in accordance with the test procedures specified in 40 CFR part 53. After reviewing the results of these tests and other information submitted by the applicant, EPA has determined, in accordance with part 53, that this method should be designated as an

equivalent method. The information submitted by the applicant will be kept on file at EPA's Atmospheric Research and Exposure Assessment Laboratory, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711, and will be available for inspection to the extent consistent with 40 CFR part 2 (EPA's regulations implementing the Freedom of Information Act).

As a designated equivalent method, this method is acceptable for use by States and other air monitoring agencies under the requirements of 40 CFR part 58, Ambient Air Quality Surveillance. For such purposes, the method must be used in strict accordance with the operation or instruction manual associated with the method and subject to any limitations (e.g., operating range) specified in the applicable designation (see description of the method above). Vendor modifications of a designated method used for purposes of part 58 are permitted only with prior approval of EPA, as provided in part 53. Provisions concerning modification of such methods by users are specified under section 2.8 of appendix C to 40 CFR part 58 (Modifications of Methods by Users).

In general, this designation applies to any analyzer which is identical to the analyzer described in the designation. In some cases, similar analyzers manufactured prior to the designation may be upgraded (e.g., by minor modification or by substitution of a new operation or instruction manual) so as to be identical to the designated method and thus achieve designation status at a modest cost. The manufacturer should be consulted to determine the feasibility of such upgrading.

Part 53 requires that sellers of designated methods comply with certain conditions. These conditions are given in 40 CFR 53.9 and are summarized below:

(1) A copy of the approved operation or instruction manual must accompany the analyzer when it is delivered to the ultimate purchaser.

(2) The analyzer must not generate any unreasonable hazard to operators or to the environment.

(3) The analyzer must function within the limits of the performance specifications given in table B-1 of part 53 for at least one year after delivery when maintained and operated in accordance with the operation manual.

(4) Any analyzer offered for sale as a reference or equivalent method must bear a label or sticker indicating that it has been designated as a reference or equivalent method in accordance with part 53.

(5) If such an analyzer has two or more selectable ranges, the label or sticker