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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Science

#### Office of Science Financial Assistance Program Notice 99-25: Division of Nuclear Physics Outstanding Junior Investigator Program

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy (DOE).  
**ACTION:** Notice inviting grant applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Division of Nuclear Physics of the Office of Science (SC), U.S. Department of Energy, announces the initiation of an Outstanding Junior Investigator Program in nuclear physics and invites grant applications for support. Applications should be from tenure-track faculty who are currently involved in experimental or theoretical nuclear physics research, and should be submitted through a U.S. academic institution. The purpose of this program is to support the development of individual research programs of outstanding scientists early in their careers. The full range of activities currently supported by the Division of Nuclear Physics is eligible for support under this program.

**DATES:** To permit timely consideration of awards in fiscal year 2000, formal applications submitted in response to this notice should be received by November 16, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Complete formal applications referencing Program Notice 99-25 should be forwarded to: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, Grants and Contracts Division, SC-64, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, Maryland 20874-1290, ATTN: Program Notice 99-25. The above address must also be used when submitting applications by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail, any other commercial mail delivery service, or when hand carried by the applicant. An original

and seven copies of the application must be submitted. Due to the anticipated number of reviewers, it would be helpful for each applicant to submit an additional four copies of the application.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Dennis G. Kovar, Division of Nuclear Physics, SC-23 (GTN), U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, Maryland 20874-1290. Telephone: (301) 903-3613. Fax: (301) 903-3833. E-Mail: dennis.kovar@science.doe.gov

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is the first year of an Outstanding Junior Investigator Program in Nuclear Physics supported by the Department of Energy's Office of Science. A principal goal of this program is to identify exceptionally talented new nuclear physicists early in their careers and facilitate the development of their research programs. Eligibility for awards under this notice is restricted to non-tenured investigators in academic institutions who are conducting experimental or theoretical nuclear physics research. The program is expected to contribute importantly to the vigor of the U.S. Nuclear Physics program. Applicants should request support under this notice for the normal research project costs required to conduct the proposed research.

The DOE expects to make two to four awards in the first year to meet the objectives of the program. The actual number of awards will be determined by the number of excellent applications and the total amount of funds available for this program. It is anticipated that a total of up to \$250,000 will be available for the first year funding of the program, subject to availability of appropriated funds, and that awards would be for three to five year terms. At the end of the initial term, these grants may be renewed, subject to appropriate external peer review at the time of renewal, as long as the recipient's tenure status is unchanged.

Applications will be subjected to scientific merit review (peer review) and will be evaluated against the following criteria, listed in descending order of importance as codified at 10 CFR 605.10 (d):

1. Scientific and/or technical merit of the project;
2. Appropriateness of the proposed method or approach;
3. Competency of applicant's personnel and adequacy of proposed resources; and
4. Reasonableness and appropriateness of the proposed budget.

General information about development and submission of applications, eligibility, limitations, evaluation and selection processes, and other policies and procedures are contained in the Application Guide for the Office of Science Financial Assistance Program and 10 CFR part 605. The latest version of SC's Application Guide is available on the world wide web at: <http://www.er.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>

The catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 81.049, and the solicitation control number is ERFAP 10 CFR part 605.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Fossil Energy

[FE Docket No. 93-34-NG]

#### TransCanada Pipelines Limited; Order Amending Long-Term Authorization To Import and Export Natural Gas From and to Canada

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of Order.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) gives notice that on August 19, 1999, it issued DOE/FE Order No. 795-A (Order 795-A) which amends TransCanada PipeLines Limited's (TransCanada) natural gas import and export authorization granted April 30, 1993 by DOE/FE Order No. 795 (1 FE ¶ 70,787). The amendment permits TransCanada to increase the volumes of natural gas it is authorized to import and export from and to Canada from 1,405,000 Mcf per day to 1,717,000 Mcf per day for the remaining authorization term through November 1, 2005. The additional gas will be imported near Noyes, Minnesota, for storage in the United States and subsequent export back to Canada. The gas is transported by the pipeline system of Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership across northern Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan to two export points on the international boundary near St. Clair and Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. The gas will be sold by TransCanada to its customers in eastern Canada. In all other respects the terms and conditions

of the previous authority would remain unchanged.

Order 795-A may be found on the FE web site at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>, or on our electronic bulletin board at (202) 586-7853. It is also available for inspection and copying in the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities docket room, 3E-033, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0334, (202) 586-9478. The docket room is open between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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**John W. Glynn,**

*Manager, Natural Gas Regulation, Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities, Office of Fossil Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER99-3942-000]

#### Alliance for Cooperative Energy Services Power Marketing LLC; Notice of Filing

August 19, 1999.

Take notice that on August 2, 1999, Alliance for Cooperative Energy Services Power Marketing LLC tendered for filing a transaction report for quarter ended June 30, 1999.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before August 30, 1999. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER99-3705-000]

#### Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare Council Shared Services; Inc.; Notice of Filing

August 19, 1999.

Take notice that on August 10, 1999, Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare Council-Shared Services, Inc. (MCHC-Shared Services, Inc.), tendered for filing its amended petition to the Commission for acceptance of MCHC-Shared Services, Inc.'s Rate Schedule FERC Tariff No. 1; the granting of certain blanket approvals, including the authority to sell electricity at market based rates; and waiver of certain Commission Regulations.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before August 30, 1999. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

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*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER99-3909-000]

#### Northern Indiana Public Service Company; Notice of Filing

August 19, 1999.

Take notice that on July 30, 1999, Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC tendered for filing a transaction report for short-term transactions for the second quarter of 1999.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before August 30, 1999. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-599-000]

#### Paiute Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

August 19, 1999.

Take notice that on August 11, 1999, Paiute Pipeline Company (Paiute), P.O. Box 94197, Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-4197, filed in Docket No. CP99-599-000, an application pursuant to Sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations for an order granting a certificate of public convenience and necessity, and permission and approval to abandon facilities. Paiute proposes to replace a segment of deteriorating pipeline on its Carson Lateral and at the same time enhance the capacity on its Carson Lateral to meet the growth requirements of its shippers served by that portion of Paiute's mainline system, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The application may be viewed on the web at [www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm](http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm) (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

Paiute proposes to replace a deteriorated portion of the original 10-inch transmission line on its Carson Lateral. Paiute states that due to the existing and projected load growth in the areas served by the Carson Lateral,