

37. Cinergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER00-1216-000]

Take notice that on January 24, 2000, Cinergy Services, Inc., on behalf of its Operating Company affiliates, The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company and PSI Energy, Inc. (COC), tendered for filing an executed service agreement between COC and Engage Energy US, L. P. (Engage), replacing the unexecuted service agreement filed in April 1999 under Docket No. ER99-2511-000 per COC FERC Electric Market-Based Power Sales Tariff, Original Volume No. 7-MB. Cinergy is requesting an effective date of May 1, 1999 and the same Rate Designation as per the original filing.

Comment date: February 11, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

E. 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 or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of these filings 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).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RM99-2-000]

Regional Transmission Organizations; Notice of Dates and Locations for Regional Collaborative Workshops

January 31, 2000.

On December 20, 1999, the Commission issued Order No. 2000¹ to advance the formation of Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs).

Order No. 2000 announced the initiation of a regional collaborative process² to aid in the formation of RTOs. To initiate the collaborative process, the Commission is organizing a series of regional workshops. The following five locations are designated for the Spring 2000 workshops and, as stated in order No. 2000, “* * * the selection of locations for initial workshops is not to indicate a preference for specific RTO boundaries, but to provide convenient workshop locations.”³ The workshops are open to all interested parties and attendance at more than one workshop is permitted. The Commission expects that all transmission owners will attend at least one workshop.

The dates and locations for the Spring 2000 regional workshops are as follows: March 1-2, 2000 in Cincinnati, OH; March 15-16, 2000 in Philadelphia, PA; March 23-24, 2000 in Las Vegas, NV; March 29-30, 2000 in Kansas City, MO; April 5-6, 2000 in Atlanta, GA.

Agendas, procedural rules and specific meeting locations will be provided in advance of the workshops on the Commission's website (<http://www.ferc.fed.us/>). The Commission contact person for these workshops is James Apperson, (202) 219-2962.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6532-4]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; IAQ Practices in Large Buildings Survey

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that EPA is planning to submit the following proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): IAQ Practices in Large Buildings Survey, EPA ICR Number 1917.01. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the

proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 4, 2000.

ADDRESSES: To obtain a copy of the ICR without charge, contact: Mr. Lee Salmon, Indoor Environments Division, Office of Radiation and Indoor Air, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., (6609J), Washington, D.C. 20460. A copy of the ICR can also be downloaded off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr>; refer to EPA ICR No. 1917.01.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Lee Salmon by telephone at (202) 564-9451 or by e-mail at salmon.lee@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are selected owners and managers of office buildings over 50,000 square feet. Survey recipients were selected from the membership lists of the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) and the International Facilities Management Association (IFMA), as well as a list of commercial office buildings greater than 50,000 square feet generated from electronically-available tax records. Federally-owned properties were selected by EPA in consultation with the General Services Administration (GSA).

Title: IAQ Practices in Large Buildings Survey (EPA ICR No. 1917.01).

Abstract: EPA is currently working with other Federal agencies and the public, as well as with other nations, to promote effective approaches for identifying and solving indoor air quality (IAQ) problems. As part of this effort, EPA has developed a guide which addresses indoor air quality in large office buildings entitled “Building Air Quality: A Guide for Building Owners and Facility Managers” (BAQ). This document provides an extensive discussion of a wide range of potential indoor air pollutants and suggests ways in which building owners and managers can improve the indoor air quality of their buildings. As a complement to the Guide, EPA has also developed a comprehensive BAQ Action Plan, which describes an eight-step process for improving a building's indoor air quality. The BAQ Action Plan can be used to determine the current condition of an office building's indoor air quality, as well as to successfully implement good IAQ management practices.

Using a seven-page survey, EPA proposes to collect data from building owners and managers. This survey will allow EPA to determine the extent to

² *Id.* at 942-43.³ *Id.* at 943.¹ 65 FR 809 (January 6, 2000).

which elements of the BAQ guidance have been incorporated into building management practices throughout the United States. The Agency also wishes to determine what barriers to implementation, if any, have been incurred by building owners and managers. These data are essential for measuring the effectiveness of EPA's efforts to encourage good IAQ management practices in large office buildings against the Agency's established Government Performance and Results Act or 1993 (GPRA) goal. By the year 2005, EPA wishes to demonstrate a five-percent increase in the number of large office buildings (*i.e.*, over 50,000 square feet) that use good IAQ management practices.

To determine its success in achieving this goal, EPA intends to survey owners and managers of commercial and Federally-owned office buildings greater than 50,000 square feet on a variety of IAQ practices. The Agency will mail a survey and instructions for completing it to approximately 4,150 building owners and managers. Building owners/managers will be given up to 30 days to respond. At the end of this period, a follow-up letter will be sent to building owners/managers to remind them of the survey and to encourage them to respond. The initial survey will establish a baseline for the use rate of IAQ-related practices recommended in EPA's guidance. After its completion, EPA will continue efforts to encourage large office building owners and managers to adopt the IAQ practices outlined in BAQ. EPA intends to conduct another survey in 2005 to assess changes in the use of these practices.

EPA does not expect to receive confidential information from the building owners and managers voluntarily participating in the IAQ Practices in Large Buildings Survey. However, if a respondent does consider the information submitted to be of a proprietary nature, EPA will assure its confidentiality based on the provisions of 40 CFR Part 2, Subpart B, "Confidentiality of Business Information."

A Federal 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. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR Part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15.

The EPA would like to solicit comments 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.

(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.

Burden Statement: EPA expects to mail surveys to approximately 4,150 building owners and managers. EPA expects approximately 43 percent of those surveyed to respond to this information collection request. Over three years, EPA estimates that the burden to building owners and managers who respond to the survey will be approximately 3,233 hours. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

This survey effort is expected to cost the respondents approximately \$67,890. Respondents will incur no capital or start-up costs and the only operation and maintenance component of the survey will be the cost to photocopy the survey once completed (if desired). Burden and cost estimates for the future administration of the IAQ Practices in Large Buildings Survey will be provided at the time this ICR is renewed, but they are expected to be similar to those provided in this **Federal Register** notice.

Dated: January 21, 2000.

Mary T. Smith,

Director, Indoor Environments Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6250-8]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared January 17, 2000 Through January 21, 2000 pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 09, 1999 (63 FR 17856).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-COE-E32079-SC Rating EO2, Daniel Island Marine Cargo Terminal Development, Permits and Approvals, South Carolina State Ports Authority, (SCSPA), Charleston, Berkeley County, SC.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental objections due to significant indirect and induced impacts related to wetlands, environmental justice, waste treatment, air quality, dredge material disposal and discharge permit issues. EPA requested additional information and mitigation measures.

ERP No. D-COE-E39049-FL Rating EC2, Southwest Florida Improvement to the Regulatory Process for Rapid Growth and Development, Alternatives Development Group (ADG), Lee and Collier Counties, FL.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about finalizing this regulatory process given its scope/complexity. Additional information about future development trends will need to be evaluated in the context of an improved review process to avoid unacceptable losses to the natural environment.

ERP No. D-FAA-G51015-TX Rating EC2, George Bush Intercontinental Airport Houston, Construction and Operation, Runway 8L-26R and Associated Near Term Master Plan Project, City of Houston, Harris County, TX.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns due to potential noise and air related impacts. The FEIS should clarify and demonstrate air conformity requirements including implication to the State Implementation Plan and mitigation measures should be included in the ROD.