

necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received April 17, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the information collection should be sent to TRICARE Management Activity—Aurora, Office of Program Requirements, 16401 E. Centretch Parkway, ATTN: Graham Kolb, Aurora, CO 80011-9043.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection, please write to the above address or call TRICARE Management Activity, Office of Program Requirements at (303) 676-3580.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Health Insurance Claim Form, HCFA-1500, OMB Number 0720-0001.

Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement is used by TRICARE/CHAMPUS to determine reimbursement for health care services or supplies rendered by individual professional providers to TRICARE/CHAMPUS beneficiaries. The requested information is used to determine beneficiary eligibility, appropriateness and costs of care, other health insurance liability and whether services received are benefits. Use of this form continues TRICARE/CHAMPUS commitments to use the national standard claim form for reimbursement of services/supplies provided by individual professional providers.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit, State, local or tribal government, Federal government and not for profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 3,625,000.

Number of Respondents: 14,500,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

This collection instrument is for use by health care providers under the TRICARE/CHAMPUS Program. TRICARE/CHAMPUS is a health benefits entitlement program for the dependents of active duty Uniformed

Services member and deceased sponsors, retirees and their dependents, dependents of Department of Transportation (Coast Guard) sponsors, and certain North Atlantic Treaty Organizations, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Public Health Service eligible beneficiaries. The Form 1500 is used by individual professional health care or health care related providers to file for reimbursement of civilian health care services or supplies provided to TRICARE/CHAMPUS beneficiaries. This is the national standard claim form accepted by all major commercial and government payers.

Dated: February 11, 2000.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Renewal of the Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense Historical Advisory Committee was renewed, effective January 23, 2000, in consonance with the public interest, and in accordance with the provisions of the "Federal Advisory Committee Act."

The DoD Historical Advisory Committee consists of three subcommittees (Historical Records Declassification Advisory Panel, the Department of the Army's Historical Advisory Subcommittee, and the Secretary of the Navy's Subcommittee on Naval History) which advise the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the Secretaries of the Army and Navy regarding the professional standards, historical methodology, program priorities, liaison with professional groups, and adequacy of resources associated with Department of Defense historical programs.

The DoD Historical Advisory Committee will continue to be well balanced in terms of the interests groups represented and functions to be performed. The forty-two members include distinguished representatives from academia, current U.S. Government and private sector historians, authors and librarians, and retired general officers of general/flag rank.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Ms. Jennifer Spaeth, DoD Committee Management Officer, 703-695-4281.

Dated: February 11, 2000.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Army Science Board; Notice of Open Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-43), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 7 March 2000 through 8 March 2000.

Time of Meeting: 0800-1700 (March 7), 0830-1630 (March 8).

Place: Presidential Towers—9th Floor Conference Room (9200).

Agenda: The Army Science Board's (ASB) Issue Group Study on "Countermeasures Warfare and Joint Opportunities for the Future" will meet for their initial "kick-off" meeting. This meeting will be open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee. For further information, please contact Debra Butler (Staff Assistant) at (703) 601-1581.

Wayne Joyner,

Program Support Specialist, Army Science Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Energy Information Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Agency information collection activities: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Energy Information Administration (EIA) is soliciting comments on the proposed changes and extension for three years beyond the current expiration of the Forms EIA-851, "Domestic Uranium Production Report," and EIA-858, "Uranium Industry Annual Survey."

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 17, 2000. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Douglas Bonnar, Office of Coal, Nuclear, Electric and Alternate Fuels, EI-52, Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, D.C. 20585. Alternatively, Mr. Bonnar may be reached by phone at 202-426-1249, by e-mail to douglas.bonnar@eia.doe.gov, or by FAX 202-426-1311.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Douglas Bonnar at the address listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- I. Background
- II. Current Actions
- III. Request for Comments

I. Background

The Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-275, 15 U.S.C. 761 *et seq.*) and the Department of Energy Organization Act (Pub. L. 95-91, 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*) require the Energy Information Administration (EIA) to carry out a centralized, comprehensive, and unified energy information program. This program collects, evaluates, assembles, analyzes, and disseminates information on energy resource reserves, production, demand, technology, and related economic and statistical information. This information is used to assess the adequacy of energy resources to meet near and longer term domestic demands.

The EIA, as part of its effort to comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), provides the general public and other Federal agencies with opportunities to comment on collections of energy information conducted by or in conjunction with the EIA. Any comments received help the EIA to prepare data requests that maximize the utility of the information collected, and to assess the impact of collection requirements on the public. Also, the EIA will later seek approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of the collections under Section 3507(h) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

The EIA-851 collects data on uranium production at conventional mills and nonconventional plants (byproduct recovery and in-situ leach plants). The Form EIA-858 collects data on uranium raw materials activities (Schedule A) and uranium marketing activities

(Schedule B). Data collected on these forms provide a comprehensive statistical characterization of the domestic uranium industry. Published data from these surveys are used by Congress, Federal and State agencies, the uranium and nuclear-electric industries, and the general public. Published data appear in the EIA publications, "Uranium Industry Annual," and the "Annual Energy Review."

II. Current Actions

This action is an extension with minor changes proposed to the existing collections. In keeping with its mandated responsibilities, EIA proposes to extend the information collection aspects of EIA-851, "Domestic Uranium Production Report," and EIA-858, "Uranium Industry Annual Survey" for three years from the currently approved OMB expiration date (10/31/2000).

Proposed change in the EIA-858 Schedule B and Instructions: Replace "Utilities" with "Owners or Operators of Civilian Nuclear Power Reactors," in Item 2 "Enrichment Services Purchases by Utilities;" Item 4 "Utility Uranium Inventory Policy;" and Item 5 "Uranium Used in Fuel Assemblies in the Survey Year (Utilities Only)" because of recent civilian nuclear reactor ownership by nonutility power producers.

Recommended change to the EIA-858 computer processing system: Transfer the EIA-858 form from DOS-based to Windows-based program and/or consider an optional collection of data through the Internet.

Recommended changes in the EIA-858 Schedule B and Instructions:

(1) Change the country codes to be consistent with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Item 1E "Country Codes."

(2) Delete the market-related "no floor" and "floor" pricing mechanisms from Item 1F "Uranium Deliveries," columns 10-11 of "Pricing Mechanisms."

(3) Have less than the seven different uranium inventory types in Item 3 "Uranium Inventories."

III. Request for Comments

Prospective respondents and other interested parties should comment on the actions discussed in item II. The following guidelines are provided to assist in the preparation of comments. Please indicate to which form(s) your comments apply.

General Issues

A. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the

agency and does the information have practical utility? Practical utility is defined as the actual usefulness of information to or for an agency, taking into account its accuracy, adequacy, reliability, timeliness, and the agency's ability to process the information it collects.

B. What enhancements can be made to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

As a Potential Respondent

A. Are the instructions and definitions clear and sufficient? If not, which instructions need clarification?

B. Can the information be submitted by the due date?

C. Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated to average 3 hours per response on Form EIA-851 and 25 hours per response on Form EIA-858. The estimated burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose and provide the information. Please comment on the accuracy of the estimate.

D. The agency estimates that the only costs to the respondents are for the time it will take them to complete the collection. Please comment if respondents will incur start-up costs for reporting, or any recurring annual costs for operation, maintenance, and purchase of services associated with the information collection.

E. What additional actions could be taken to minimize the burden of this collection of information? Such actions may involve the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

F. Does any other Federal, State, or local agency collect similar information? If so, specify the agency, the data element(s), and the methods of collection.

As a Potential User

A. Is the information useful at the levels of detail indicated on the form?

B. For what purpose(s) would the information be used? Be specific.

C. Are there alternate sources for the information and are they useful? If so, what are their weaknesses and/or strengths?

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the form. They also will become a matter of public record.

Statutory Authority: Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

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Jay H. Casselberry,
Agency Clearance Officer, Statistics and
Methods Group, Energy Information
Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER00-1513-000]

California Independent System Operator Corporation; Notice of Filing

February 8, 2000.

Take notice that on February 2, 2000, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO), tendered for filing a notice of termination of the Scheduling Coordinator Agreement (SCA) between the ISO and the Montana Power Trading & Marketing Company. The ISO requests that the SCA be terminated effective March 20, 2000.

The ISO also requests waiver of the Commission's sixty-day prior notice requirement, pursuant to Section 35.3 of the Commission's regulations, 18 CFR 35.3 in order to permit this effective date.

The ISO states that copies of this filing have been served on all parties in the above-referenced docket.

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 February 23, 2000. 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. RP96-190-015]

Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

February 11, 2000.

Take notice that on February 8, 2000, Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG) filed an Annual Report of Revenue Credits pursuant to the Stipulation and Agreement (S&A) in Docket No. RP96-190-000, filed August 27, 1997 and accepted by Commission Letter Order dated October 16, 1997.

CIG's S&A states in Section 1.13 CIG shall file an annual report no later than February 15th containing the amount of negotiated rate revenues, negotiated rate revenue credits and interruptible storage revenue credits it has distributed pursuant to the S&A for each twelve month period beginning October 1, 1996.

CIG has no contracts under negotiated rates for the period October 1, 1998 through September 30, 1999. CIG's Interruptible Storage Revenue Credits have been included in the firm shippers' January 2000 invoices pursuant to CIG's FERC Gas Tariff First Revised Volume No. 1, Article 33.

CIG states that copies of this filing have been served on each shipper listed on Schedule A of the filing.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before February 18, 2000. 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web 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 Nos. ER00-586-000, ER00-816-000, ER00-840-000, ER00-891-000, and ER00-895-000 (Not consolidated)]

Madison Gas & Electric Company, Ameren Services Co., Tenaska Alabama Partners, L.P., Delano Energy Company and Onondaga Cogeneration Limited Partnership; Notice of Issuance of Order

February 11, 2000.

Madison Gas & Electric Company, Ameren Services Co., Tenaska Alabama Partners, L.P., Delano Energy Company, and Onondaga Cogeneration Limited Partnership (hereafter, "the Applicants") filed with the Commission rate schedules in the above-captioned proceedings, respectively, under which the Applicants will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions at market-based rates, and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, certain of the Applicants may also have requested in their respective applications that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by the Applicants. On February 9, 2000, the Commission issued an order that accepted the rate schedules for sales of capacity and energy at market-based rates (Order), in the above-docketed proceedings.

The Commission's February 9, 2000 Order granted, for those Applicants that sought such approval, their request for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the conditions found in Appendix B in Ordering Paragraphs (2), (3), and (5): (2) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by the Applicants 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.

(3) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (2) above, if the Applicants have requested such authorization, the Applicants are hereby authorized to issue securities and assume obligations and liabilities as guarantor, indorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for