

participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: May 5, 2000.

**William Burrow,**

*Leader, Information Management Group,  
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

**Office of Elementary and Secondary Education**

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*Title:* Gun-Free Schools Act Report (KA).

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs (primary).

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 12672.

*Burden Hours:* 27042.

*Abstract:* The Gun-Free Schools Act (GFSA) requires each State to provide annual reports to the Secretary concerning implementation of the Act's requirements regarding expulsions from schools resulting from weapons violations. The GFSA requires the Secretary to report to Congress if any State is not in compliance with the GFSA, and requires the Secretary to

collect data on the incidence of children with disabilities engaging in threatening behavior or bringing weapons to school.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address [OCIO\\_IMG\\_Issues@ed.gov](mailto:OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request. Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Kathy Axt at (703) 426-9692. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Notice of Availability of Solicitation**

**AGENCY:** Idaho Operations Office, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of solicitation—biobased products industry.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office (ID), on behalf of the Office of Industrial Technologies, is seeking applications from private and public institutions of higher learning to promote multidisciplinary education and training programs for graduate students at the Masters or Ph.D. levels in the area of renewable bioproducts. The emerging biobased products industry uses crops, trees, wastes and by-products to make chemical feedstocks and a huge range of everyday consumer goods, like plastics, paints and adhesives. Contributions to this new industry would come from traditional academic programs in crop production, such as agronomy, crop and soil sciences and forestry; programs in environmental sciences, such as ecology, and water and timber management; basic science programs, such as genomics, biology and microbiology; and, programs in industrial production technologies, such as fermentation design, fluid mechanics and systems management. The objective of this new education initiative is to produce graduates who can enter the complex biobased products industry and effectively integrate the knowledge

from a wide range of technologies that are necessary for this industry to grow.

**DATES:** The deadline for receipt of applications is 3 p.m. MDT June 20, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications should be submitted to: Procurement Services Division, U. S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, Attention: Marshall Garr [DE-PS07-00ID13962], 850 Energy Drive, MS 1221, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marshall Garr, Contract Specialist, at [garrmc@id.doe.gov](mailto:garrmc@id.doe.gov), telephone (208) 526-1536.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The statutory authority for this program is the Federal Non-Nuclear Energy Research & Development Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-577). DOE anticipates approximately 3-5 grant awards will be made, ranging from approximately \$70,000 to \$100,000 each year for a maximum of three years in duration. These grants will cover both the costs for establishing a new cross-cutting academic and research program in this field as well as full stipends for 2 or so deserving graduate students at the Masters or Ph.D. level. The issuance date of Solicitation No. DE-PS07-00ID13962 will be May 5, 2000. The solicitation will be available in full text via the Internet at the following address: <http://www.id.doe.gov/doi/psd/proc-div.html>. Technical and non-technical questions should be submitted in writing to Marshall Garr by e-mail [garrmc@id.doe.gov](mailto:garrmc@id.doe.gov), or facsimile at 208-526-5548 no later than May 19, 2000.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

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**ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Change in FERC Gas Tariff**

May 5, 2000.

Take notice that on May 1, 2000, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing as part of FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets to be effective June 1, 2000.

**Primary Case**

Twenty-Eighth Revised Sheet No. 17  
Second Revised Sheet No. 141