

not be more than five pages and curriculum vitae should not exceed two pages. These small grants, which will be peer reviewed, will not extend beyond one year from the award date. It is expected that up to nine of these awards might be made in FY 2001. As with larger applications to this notice, applications should be sent to the address given above.

Program Funding

It is anticipated that approximately \$800,000 will be available for multiple grant awards (including any small grants) to be made during Fiscal Year 2001, contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds. Multiple year funding of grant awards is expected, and is also contingent upon the availability of funds. Previous awards have ranged from \$50,000 per year up to \$500,000 per year with terms from one to three years; most awards average about \$200,000 per year for two or three years (not applicable for any small grants as stated above.) Similar award sizes are anticipated for new grants. Generally, conference awards do not exceed \$25,000 and indirect costs are not allowed as part of conference grant awards.

Collaboration

Applicants are encouraged to collaborate with researchers in other institutions, such as: universities, industry, non-profit organizations, federal laboratories and federally funded research and development centers (FFRDCs), including the DOE National Laboratories, where appropriate, and to incorporate cost sharing and/or consortia wherever feasible. Additional information on collaboration is available in the Application Guide for the Office of Science Financial Assistance Program that is available via the Internet at: <http://www.sc.doe.gov/production/grants/Colab.html>.

Preapplications

A brief preapplication should be submitted. The preapplication should identify, on the cover sheet, the institution, Principal Investigator name, address, telephone, fax and E-mail address, title of the project, and the field of scientific research. The preapplication should consist of a two to three page narrative describing the research project objectives and methods of accomplishment. These will be reviewed relative to the scope and research needs of the DOE's Human Genome Program. Preapplications are strongly encouraged but not required prior to submission of a full application.

Please note that notification of a successful preapplication is not an indication that an award will be made in response to the formal application.

Merit Review

Applications will be subjected to a scientific merit review (peer review) and will be evaluated against the following evaluation 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,
4. Reasonableness and Appropriateness of the Proposed Budget.

The evaluation will include program policy factors such as the relevance of the proposed research to the terms of the announcement and an agency's programmatic needs. Note, external peer reviewers are selected with regard to both their scientific expertise and the absence of conflict-of-interest issues. Non-federal reviewers may be used, and submission of an application constitutes agreement that this is acceptable to the investigator(s) and the submitting institution.

Submission Information

Information about development and submission of applications, eligibility, limitations, evaluation, selection process, and other policies and procedures may be found in 10 CFR part 605 and in the Application Guide for the Office of Science Financial Assistance Program. Electronic access to the Guide and required forms is made available via the World Wide Web at: <http://www.sc.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>. DOE is under no obligation to pay for any costs associated with the preparation or submission of applications if an award is not made.

DOE policy requires that potential applicants adhere to 10 CFR 745 "Protection of Human Subjects," or such later revision of those guidelines as may be published in the **Federal Register**. The Office of Science, as part of its grant regulations, requires at 10 CFR 605.11(b) that a recipient receiving a grant and performing research involving recombinant DNA molecules and/or organisms and viruses containing recombinant DNA molecules shall comply with the National Institutes of Health "Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant DNA Molecules," which is available via the

World Wide Web at: <http://www.niehs.nih.gov/odhsb/biosafe/nih/rdna-apr98.pdf>, (59 FR 34496, July 5, 1994), or such later revision of those guidelines as may be published in the **Federal Register**.

(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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John Rodney Clark,

Associate Director of Science for Resource Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC00-80-001, FERC Form No. 80]

Information Collection Submitted for Review and Request for Comments

December 7, 2000.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of submission for review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") has submitted the energy information collection listed in this notice to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review under provisions of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13). Any interested person may file comments on the collection of information directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received no comments in response to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of September 5, 2000 (65 FR 53707) and has made this notation in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection of information are best assured of having their full effect if received on or before January 16, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Address comments to Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Desk Officer, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503. A copy of the comments should also be sent to Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission, Division of Information Services, Attention: Mr. Michael Miller, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 208-2425, and by e-mail at mike.miller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Description

The energy information collection submitted to OMB for review contains:

1. *Collection of Information:* FERC Form No. 80 "Licensed Hydro Power Development Recreation Report".

2. *Sponsor:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

3. *Control No.:* OMB No. 1902-0106. The Commission is now requesting that OMB approve a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection. There is an increase in the reporting burden due to a change of status for this information collection. Form 80 is currently in "standby" status as the respondents file once every six years and one hour has been assigned to it. Form 80 will be collected again in 2002 or during the next potential OMB review period. The Commission has noted this adjustment in burden in its submission to OMB. These are mandatory collection requirements. The Commission does not consider this information to be confidential.

4. *Necessity of Collection of Information:* Submission of the information is necessary to enable the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the provisions of the Federal Power Act (FPA). The information reported under Commission identifier FERC Form 80 is filed in accordance with sections 4(a), 10(a), 301(a), 304, and 309(FPA). The Commission issues licenses for nonfederal hydro power projects and monitors these projects to ensure the conditions of the license are being met. The Commission's licensing and post-licensing processes have the multiple intent of maintaining power generation, enhancing and protecting the environment, and enhancing recreational assets of water resources. Hydro power facilities provide tangible benefits to the regions where they are located. These benefits include additional recreational opportunities, economic benefits through commercial development and the generation of electricity without the use of fossil fuels. At the same time, operation of hydro power projects can adversely affect resources such as water quality,

fishery resources, water-based recreational uses, terrestrial and cultural enhancing environmental resources. Submission of the data as required may be found in 18 CFR 811. and 141.14.

5. *Respondent Description:* The respondent universe currently comprises on average, 400 respondents filing the recreation report.

6. *Estimated Burden:* 1,200 total burden hours, 400 respondents, 1 response sexennial, 30 hours per response (average).

7. *Estimated Cost Burden to Respondents:* 1,200 hours ÷ 2,080 hours per year × \$115,357 per year = \$66,552. The cost per respondent is \$166.

Statutory Authority: Sections 4(a), 10(a), 301(a), 304 and 309 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 797-825h.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RP01-74-001 and RP97-406-026]

Dominion Transmission, Inc; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

December 7, 2000.

Take notice that on December 1, 2000, Dominion Transmission Inc. (DTI) filed as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets, with an effective date of January 1, 2001:

Substitute Third Revised Sheet No. 31

Substitute Third Revised Sheet No. 32

Third Revised Sheet No. 33

Substitute Third Revised Sheet No. 34

Substitute Third Revised Sheet No. 35

DTI states that the purpose of the filing is to apply the rate component changes that DTI originally proposed in this proceeding on November 1, 2000, to the currently effective rates and tariff sheets that the Commission approved in its order issued October 17, 2000, in Docket No. RP00-602-000. The original November 1, 2000, filing in this docket was made under the assumption that the TCRA rates that DTI had proposed on September 29, 2000, in Docket No. RP000-632, would be allowed to become effective on November 1, 2000. That latter filing, however, was suspended by the Commission.

DTI also states that it is filing to withdraw Second Revised Sheet No. 33 that was paginated incorrectly in the

November 1, 2000, filing and to replace it with Third Revised Sheet No. 33.

DTI states that copies of its letter of transmittal and enclosures have been served upon DTI's customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties of 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). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP96-389-014]

Columbia Gulf Transmission Company; Notice of Negotiated Rate Filing

December 7, 2000.

Take notice that on December 1, 2000, Columbia Gulf Transmission Company (Columbia Gulf) tendered for filing the following Agreement to a recently filed negotiated rate transaction:

Agreement to ITS-2 Service Agreement No. 70052 between Columbia Gulf Transmission Company and Amoco Energy Trading Corporation dated November 30, 2000

Transportation service which was scheduled to commence December 1, 2000.

Columbia Gulf states that copies of the filing have been served on all parties on the official service list created by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a protest