

and backlogged maintenance and repair items. Reclamation's administrative and general expenses have increased \$1.2 million due mainly to transfers of personnel from operations to administrative and general expense. During the public forum presentations, Western specified in detail why its system operations and load dispatching costs were increasing approximately \$450,000 in the proposed base charge from the existing base charge. The majority of the increase was due to the staffing of two additional full time positions, mandatory travel, training requirements, and additional costs incurred in keeping up with the pace of the utility industry changes. Since the closing of the comment and consultation period, Western has implemented a new cost distribution methodology for the operations' scheduling and dispatcher staff. The new charging methodology decreased the total operation and maintenance budget for FY 2002 by approximately \$1.0 million in the proposed base charge from the existing base charge. Western has been reallocating its budget to cover costs where they are anticipated to occur.

#### Uprating Credit Program Process

*Comment:* A Contractor requested Western identify methods to ensure the BCP Uprating Credit process is being performed properly beginning in FY 2002, and the interest rate calculated for cash-funded Contractors is being determined in accordance with the BCP Implementation Agreement and associated resolutions.

*Response:* Western is administering the uprating credit process in accordance with the June 1996 uprating credits program written procedures and practices document. Western received a request in July 2000 to review the uprating credit process and ensure the interest rate is being calculated correctly for the cash-funded Contractors. On August 31, 2000, Western met with a working group of the BCP Contractors to address the discrepancies that were discovered in the review. Western's goal was to complete this review and recalculation process and implement any revisions to the uprating credit program by February or March 2001. Due to delays in receiving Contractors' revisions to their schedules and Western's workload constraints, completion of this task has been delayed. In the upcoming months Western will meet with the Contractors again to discuss the impacts of the discrepancies. Provided Western and the Contractors can meet and come to an agreement on the impacts and preferred

method of resolution, the process would be properly in place beginning in FY 2002.

#### BCP Electric Service Rates

BCP electric service Rates are designed to recover an annual revenue requirement that includes the operation and maintenance expenses, payments to States, visitor services, uprating program, replacements, investment repayment, and interest expense. Western's power repayment study (PRS) allocates the projected annual revenue requirement for electric service between capacity and energy, 50 percent to capacity and 50 percent to energy.

#### Procedural Requirements

BCP electric service Rates are developed under the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101-7352), through which the power marketing functions of the Secretary of the Interior and the Bureau of Reclamation under the Reclamation Act of 1902 (ch. 1093, 32 Stat. 388), as amended and supplemented by subsequent enactments, particularly section 9(c) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485h(c)), and other acts that specifically apply to the project involved, were transferred to and vested in the Secretary of Energy.

By Amendment No. 3 to Delegation Order No. 0204-108, published November 10, 1993 (58 FR 59716), the Secretary of Energy delegated (1) the authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates on a nonexclusive basis to Western's Administrator; and (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand, or to disapprove such rates to the FERC. In Delegation Order No. 0204-172, effective November 24, 1999, the Secretary of Energy delegated the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary. Existing DOE procedures for public participation in electric service rate adjustments are located at 10 CFR part 903, effective September 18, 1985 (50 FR 37835). DOE procedures have been followed by Western in developing these Rates.

The Boulder Canyon Project Implementation Agreement Contract No. 95-PAO-10616 requires Western, prior to October 1 of each rate year, to determine the annual Rates for the next fiscal year. The Rates for the first rate year and each fifth rate year thereafter, shall become effective provisionally upon approval by the Deputy Secretary of Energy subject to final approval by FERC. For all other rate years, the Rates shall become effective on a final basis

upon approval by the Deputy Secretary of Energy.

Western will continue to provide the Contractors annual Rates by October 1 of each year using the same rate setting formula. The Rates are reviewed annually and adjusted upward or downward to assure sufficient revenues to achieve payment of all costs and financial obligations associated with the project. Each fiscal year, Western prepares a PRS that updates actual revenues and expenses and includes future estimates of annual revenues and expenses for the BCP including interest and capitalized costs.

Western's BCP electric service rate setting formula was submitted to FERC for confirmation and approval on October 31, 1995. On April 19, 1996, in Docket No. EF96-5091-000 at 75 FERC 62,050, FERC issued an order confirming, approving, and placing into effect on a final basis the electric service rate setting formula for BCP. The rate setting formula set forth in Rate Order No. WAPA-70 was approved for a period beginning November 1, 1995, and ending September 30, 2000. Rate Order No. WAPA-94 extends the existing rate setting formula beginning on October 1, 2000, and ending September 30, 2005.

Western proposes the FY 2002 base charge of \$48,039,988, the forecasted energy rate of 5.33 mills/kilowatt-hour, and the forecasted capacity rate of \$0.99/kilowatt-month be approved on a final basis.

In accordance with 10 CFR part 903, Western held a consultation and comment period. The notice of the proposed FY 2002 Rates for electric service was published in the **Federal Register** on February 13, 2001.

Following review of Western's proposal within DOE, I approve the FY 2002 Rates, on a final basis, for BCP electric service, under Rate Schedule BCP-F6, through September 30, 2002.

Dated: August 29, 2001.

**Francis S. Blake,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7053-9]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request, NSPS for Coal Preparation Plants.**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: ICR for 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart Y—NSPS for Coal Preparation Plants; OMB Control Number 2060–0122; expiration date is September 30, 2001. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 11, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No.1062.07 and, OMB Control No. 2060–0122, to the following addresses: Susan Auby, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Collection Strategies Division (Mail Code 2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001; and to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the ICR contact Susan Auby at EPA by phone at (202) 260–4901, by email at [Auby.susan@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:Auby.susan@epamail.epa.gov), or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1062.07. For technical questions about the ICR contact Dan Chadwick at (202) 564–7054.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Standards of Performance for Coal Preparation Plants, NSPS Subpart Y, (OMB Control Number 2060–0122; EPA ICR No.1062.07); expiring September 30, 2001. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* Owners or operators of the affected facilities described must make the following one-time-only reports: notification of the date of construction or reconstruction; notification of the actual dates of start-up; and notification of any physical or operational change to an existing facility which may increase the regulated pollutant emission rate.

Owners or operators are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any start-up, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility. These notifications, reports, and records are required, in general for all sources subject to NSPS. There are no additional recordkeeping

or reporting requirements specific to coal preparation plants.

An 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 **Federal Register** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on September 15, 2000; (65 FR 55955); no comments were received.

*Burden Statement*

The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 69 hours per response. 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.

*Respondents/Affected Entities:* Owners and operators of coal preparation plants.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 390.

*Frequency of Response:* Occasionally.

*Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:* 15463.

*Estimated Total Annualized Capital, O&M Cost Burden:* \$15,000.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses listed above.

Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1062.07 and OMB Control No. 2060–0122 in any correspondence.

Dated: August 29, 2001.

**Oscar Morales,**

*Director, Collection Strategies Division.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL–7053–7]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; National Survey on Environmental Management of Asthma**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Title: National Survey on Environmental Management of Asthma. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data-collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 11, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 1996.01 to the following addresses: Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Collection Strategies Division (Mail Code 2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the ICR, contact Susan Auby at EPA by phone at (202) 260–4901, by E-Mail at [Auby.susan@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:Auby.susan@epamail.epa.gov) or download off the internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1996.01. For technical questions about the ICR, contact Dr. Susan Conrath at EPA by phone at (202) 564–9389.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* National Survey on Environmental Management of Asthma, EPA ICR 1996.01.

*Abstract:* EPA is working to integrate the management of environmental factors with the medical treatment of asthma, particularly among children and low-income populations. To evaluate the effectiveness of its current outreach efforts, EPA proposes to collect data from individual U.S. households through a telephone survey. This survey will be used to gain information regarding the number of individuals with asthma who have taken steps to