hourly burden still increased because of an increase in the number of Partners. For perspective on the magnitude of partner growth, the number of Partners at the end of 2004 was 865, whereas by year-end there will be an estimated 1,286.

The total cost estimate over the 3 year period for this renewal ICR is $1,991,978, or an average of $663,992 per year, of which $16,632 is O&M costs. The total cost to GPP and CHP Partners is $1,549,178 (16,632 is O&M), or $516,393 (5,544 is O&M) per year. In the previous 2004 ICR renewal, the total cost over the 3 year period was $1,101,749. The total cost estimate increase for Partners is due to an increase in the number of Partners and increases in wages.

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Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared 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 202–564–7157. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 6, 2008 (73 FR 19833).

Draft EISs


Summary: EPA has environmental objections to the proposed project regarding significant impacts to wetlands and high quality streams. EPA also believes there are significant and unaddressed construction impacts resulting from the proposed 2,870-foot tunnel under the Appalachian Trail at Stecoah Gap. Furthermore, EPA believes there are significant and unresolved impacts to residences, water supplies, terrestrial forests, NFS lands, aquatic habitat, air quality, and noise receptors. Rating EO2.

Final EISs

EIS No. 20080274, ERP No. F–CGD–E03017–FL, Calypso Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Deepwater Port License Application, Proposes to Own, Construct and Operate a Deepwater Port, Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) in the OCS NG 17–06 (Bahamas) Lease Area, 8 to 10 miles off the East Coast of Florida to the Northeast of Port Everglades, FL.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about pipeline impacts and impacts related to fuel use on board the purpose-built Storage and Regasification Ship.


Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns about impacts to air quality from oil and gas development, impacts from motorized vehicle travel on natural resources, and impacts on Areas of Critical Environmental Concern.

EIS No. 20080310, ERP No. F–COE–E11060–NC, West Onslow Beach and New River Inlet (Topsail Beach) Shore Protection Project, Storm Damages and Beach Erosion Reduction, Funding, Pender County, NC.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns about impacts on marine habitats and migratory species from dredging and filling, EPA requested adaptive management and water quality monitoring of the borrow areas.


Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concerns about impacts to air quality from oil and gas development, impacts from motorized vehicle travel to natural resources and impacts to Areas of Critical Environmental Concern.

EIS No. 20080322, ERP No. F–NRC–E06024–GA, Vogtle Electric Generating (NUREG 1872) Plant Site, Early Site Permit (ESP), for the Construction and Operation of a new Nuclear Power Generating Facility Application Approval, Burke County, GA.

Summary: EPA continues to have environmental concern about bioentrainment and other impacts to aquatic species from surface water withdrawals and discharges.