

(3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier, or

(4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education.

If you mail your application through the U.S. Postal Service, we do not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

(1) A private metered postmark, or

(2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

If your application is postmarked after the application deadline date, we will not consider your application.

**Note:** The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, you should check with your local post office.

#### *Submission of Paper Applications by Hand Delivery.*

If you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, you (or a courier service) may deliver your paper application to the Department by hand. You must deliver the application, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the following address: Mrs. Darlene B. Collins, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW., Room 6020, Washington, DC 20006-8513.

Hand delivered applications will be accepted daily between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time, except Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays.

**Applicable Regulations:** (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 82, 84, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99. (b) The regulations for the Title III Programs in 34 CFR part 607, and for the Title V Program in 34 CFR part 606.

**Note:** There are no program-specific regulations for the AANAPISI, PBI, and the PPHOA Programs. Accordingly, we encourage each potential applicant to read the HEA, the authorizing statute for these programs.

**For Applications and Further Information Contact:** Kelley Harris or Carnisia Proctor, Institutional Development and Undergraduate Education Service, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW., room 6033, Request for Eligibility Designation, Washington, DC 20202-8513.

You may contact these individuals at the following e-mail addresses or phone numbers:

*Kelley.Harris@ed.gov*, 202-219-7083  
*Carnisia.Proctor@ed.gov*, 202-502-7606

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call

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**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 1057-1059d, 1101-1103g and amendments to Titles III and V of the HEA by Public Law 110-315.

Dated: January 14, 2009.

**Vickie L. Schray,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Higher Education Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Proposed Agency Information Collection

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for OMB review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance, a proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed collection will gather data about what constitutes an innovative research environment. It will also contribute to building a dataset for the development of a science of science and innovation policy, as part of the National Science Foundation (NSF) program by that name.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this collection must be received on or before February 20, 2009. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but

find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the Desk Officer of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at 202-395-4650.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to the:

DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503; and to: Timothy Fitzsimmons, Materials Science and Engineering Division, SC-22.2, Office of Basic Energy Sciences, Office of Science, US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington DC 20585-1290,  
*Tim.Fitzsimmons@science.doe.gov.*

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to:

Timothy Fitzsimmons, Materials Science and Engineering Division, SC-22.2, Office of Basic Energy Sciences, Office of Science, US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290,  
*Tim.Fitzsimmons@science.doe.gov.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No. "New"; (2) Information Collection Request Title: Developing the Science of Science and Innovation Policy: Profiles of Innovativeness and Effective Research Communication. (3) Type of Request: New collection. (4) Purpose: This data collection request will bring to conclusion a long-term research effort funded by the Department of Energy's Office of Basic Energy Sciences to develop the best practices in the management of scientific innovation. This data collection request will also help support an effort under a new National Science Foundation program (SciSIP) which is developing a scientific approach to the formulation of science and innovation policy.

Survey data will be collected on researcher attitudes towards their research environment. Research managers will be asked in addition to describe laboratory policies that promote innovation. Hypotheses from the industrial innovation literature about what constitutes an innovative environment will be tested on 72 research projects in six national laboratories chosen to reflect a diversity

of scientific disciplines, specifically chemistry, biology, materials sciences, alternative energy, and geosciences. The selected projects represent four research profiles: Small- and large-scope, and incremental and radical innovation. Policies that encourage diverse work teams and the exchange of information will also be explored. (5) Type of Respondents: Research staff and research managers; (6) Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,800 researchers and 132 project leaders and managers; (7) Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 900 hours for researchers and 132 hours for project leaders and managers at six national laboratories. This is a one time collection of information. Due to calendar considerations this collection will be split between FY 2009 and FY 2010 as opposed to the original goal of completing the survey in FY 2009. (8) Estimated annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden: zero.

**Statutory Authority:** Sec. 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13).

Issued in Washington, DC on January 12, 2009.

**Raymond L. Orbach,**

*Under Secretary for Science.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-6-002]

#### Midcontinent Express Pipeline LLC; Notice of Amendment

January 12, 2009.

Take notice that on December 30, 2008, Midcontinent Express Pipeline LLC (Midcontinent) 3250 Lacey Road, Suite 700, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515, filed in Docket No. CP08-6-002, pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations, to amend its certificate of public convenience and necessity issued on July 25, 2008. Specifically, Midcontinent proposes to change the location of the Vicksburg Compressor Station from the originally certificated location in Warren County, Mississippi to a new location 3.5 miles eastward in Hinds County, Mississippi, and to substitute a different model for the two compressor units authorized at the Atlanta Compressor Station in Cass County, Texas.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Bruce

H. Newsome, Vice President, Regulatory, Midcontinent Express Pipeline LLC, 3250 Lacey Road, Suite 700, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515, telephone no. (630) 725-3070, and e-mail:

*bruce\_newsome@kindermorgan.com.*

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone

will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commentors will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

*Comment Date:* February 2, 2009.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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