

prosecution of participants in such fraud, or abuse; (2) improving the efficiency, quality, and accuracy of existing data collected by the Department; (3) conducting data modeling for indications of fraud, waste, and abuse, and internal control weaknesses concerning Department programs and operations, the results of which may be used in the conduct of audits, investigations, inspections, or other activities as necessary to promote economy and efficiency and to prevent and detect fraud, waste, and abuse in Department programs and operations; and (4) coordinating relationships with other Federal, State, local, or foreign agencies or other public authorities responsible for assisting in the investigation, prosecution, oversight, or enforcement of violations of administrative, civil, or criminal law or regulations.

2. On page 61410, first column, under the heading "Routine Uses of Records Maintained in the System, including Categories of Users and the Purposes for Such Uses", the paragraph labeled "(1) *Disclosure for Use by Other Law Enforcement Agencies*", is revised to read as follows:

"(1) *Disclosure for Use by Other Law Enforcement Agencies*. The Department may disclose information from this system of records as a routine use to any Federal, State, local, foreign agency, or other public authority responsible for enforcing, investigating, prosecuting, overseeing, or assisting in the enforcement, investigation, prosecution, or oversight of, violations of administrative, civil, or criminal law or regulation if that information is relevant to any enforcement, regulatory, investigative, prosecutorial, or oversight responsibility of the Department or of the receiving entity."

3. On page 61411, first column, under the heading "Routine Uses of Records Maintained in the System, including Categories of Users and the Purposes for Such Uses", the paragraph labeled "*Disclosure to the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency (PCIE)*", is revised to read as follows:

"(12) *Disclosure to the Council of Inspectors General for Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE)*. The Department may disclose records as a routine use to members and employees of the CIGIE, or any successor entity, for the preparation of reports to the President and Congress on the activities of the Inspectors General."

4. On page 61411, 2nd column, under the heading labeled "Safeguards", paragraphs 1 and 2 are revised to read as follows:

"Access to data in ODAS is restricted to authorized users and is recorded in an access log. All physical access to the Department's site where this system of records is maintained is controlled and monitored by

security personnel who check each individual entering the building for his or her employee or visitor badge. All data maintained in the system of records are kept on a secured and restricted private network and stored in a combination locked computer laboratory. ODAS is housed within a secure and controlled computer lab. Physical access to the lab is by authorized OIG personnel only. The general public does not have access to ODAS.

All information stored in this system is secured by using database encryption technology and is resistant to tampering and circumvention by unauthorized users. Access to data by all users will be monitored using both automated and manual controls. The information is accessed by users either on a "need to know" and intended systems usage basis or pursuant to a published routine use and consistent with the purposes of the system.

5. On page 61411, 3rd column, under the heading "SYSTEM MANAGER AND ADDRESS", the paragraph is revised to read as follows:

SYSTEM MANAGER AND ADDRESS:

Director, Computer Assisted Assessment Techniques, Information Technology Audits and Computer Crimes Investigations, Department of Education, Office of Inspector General, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., PCP, Washington, DC 20202-1510.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee (BERAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, June 6, 2012—8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Thursday, June 7, 2012—8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hilton Hotel, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. David Thomassen, Designated Federal Officer, BERAC, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, SC-23/Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290. Phone 301-903-9817; fax (301) 903-5051 or email:

david.thomassen@science.doe.gov. The most current information concerning this meeting can be found on the Web site: <http://science.energy.gov/ber/berac/meetings/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director, Office of Science of the Department of Energy, on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the Biological and Environmental Research Program.

Tentative Agenda Topics

- Update from the Office of Biological and Environmental Research
- Update/highlights from the Biological Systems Science and Climate and Environmental Sciences Divisions
- Committee discussion of charge on the development and use of new tools
- Science talks
- New Business
- Public Comment

Public Participation: The day and a half meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact David Thomassen at the address or telephone number listed above. You must make your request for an oral statement at least five business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 45 days at the BERAC Web site: <http://science.energy.gov/ber/berac/meetings/berac-minutes/>.

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 8, 2012.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Hanford

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental

Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Hanford. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, June 7, 2012—8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Friday, June 8, 2012—8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Red Lion Hotel, 1101 North Columbia Center Boulevard, Kennewick, WA 99336.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Tiffany Nguyen, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Richland Operations Office, 825 Jadwin Avenue, P.O. Box 550, A7-75, Richland, WA 99352; Phone: (509) 376-3361; or Email: tiffany.nguyen@rl.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE-EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

- Draft Advice
 - 300 Area Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study and Proposed Plan
 - State of the Site Meetings
 - Waste Treatment Plant Safety Culture
 - Delay on Implementing Record of Decision for the Tank Closure and Waste Management Environmental Impact Statement
- Discussion Topics
 - Committee Reports
 - Preliminary Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Board Work Plan Priorities
 - Preliminary FY 2013 Board Calendar
 - Tri-Party Agreement Agency Updates
 - Board Business, including identification of the nominating committee for Board Chairperson
 - Introduction to 'Hanford Advisory Board Values' Advice Development

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The EM SSAB, Hanford, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Tiffany Nguyen at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to

agenda items should contact Tiffany Nguyen at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Tiffany Nguyen's office at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/hab>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on May 8, 2012.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC12-12-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-576); Comment Request; Extension

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection FERC-576, Report of Service Interruptions.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due July 13, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC12-12-000) by either of the following methods:

- *eFiling at Commission's Web Site:* <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.

- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission->

[guide.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp). For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 for TTY.

Docket: Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, telephone at (202) 502-8663, and fax at (202) 273-0873.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FERC-576, Report of Service Interruptions.

OMB Control No.: 1902-0004.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC-576 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: A natural gas company must obtain Commission authorization to engage in the transportation, sale, or exchange of natural gas in interstate commerce under the Natural Gas Act (NGA).¹ The NGA also empowers the Commission to oversee continuity of service in the transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce. The information collected under FERC-576 notifies the Commission of: (1) Damage to jurisdictional natural gas facilities as a result of a hurricane, earthquake, or other natural disaster, or terrorist activity, (2) serious interruptions to service, and (3) damage to jurisdictional natural gas facilities due to natural disaster or terrorist activity, that creates the potential for serious delivery problems on the pipeline's own system or the pipeline grid.

Filings (in accordance with the provisions of section 4(d) of the NGA)² must contain information necessary to advise the Commission when a change in service has occurred. Section 7(d) of the NGA³ authorizes the Commission to issue a temporary certificate in cases of emergency to assure maintenance of adequate service or to serve particular customers, without notice or hearing.

Respondents to the FERC-576 may submit the initial reports by email to pipelineoutage@ferc.gov. 18 CFR 260.9(b) requires that a report of service interruption or damage to natural gas facilities state: (1) The location of the service interruption or damage to natural gas pipeline or storage facilities; (2) The nature of any damage to pipeline or storage facilities; (3) Specific

¹ Public Law 75 688; 15 U.S.C. 717 & 717w.

² (15 U.S.C. 717c).

³ (15 U.S.C. 717f).