DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Middletown Cogeneration Company LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Middletown Cogeneration Company LLC’s application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant’s request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is November 23, 2012.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at http://www.ferc.gov. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY


Access by EPA Contractors to Information Claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI) Submitted under Title II of the Clean Air Act and Related Regulations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA’s Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ) plans to authorize various contractors to access information which will be submitted to EPA under Title II of the Clean Air Act that may be claimed as, or may be determined to be, confidential business information (CBI). Access to this information, which is related to 40 CFR Part 79; 40 CFR Part 80; and 40 CFR Part 98, Subparts A, LL and MM will begin on November 19, 2012.

DATES: EPA will accept comments on this Notice through November 13, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
I. Does this notice apply to me?

This action is directed to the general public. However, this action may be of particular interest to parties who submit or have previously submitted information to EPA regarding the following programs: Fuel and fuel additive registration (40 CFR part 79); and various fuels programs including reformulated gasoline, anti-dumping, gasoline sulfur, ultra low sulfur diesel, benzene content, and the renewable fuel standard (40 CFR part 80). This action may also be of particular interest to parties such as suppliers of coal-based liquid fuels and suppliers of petroleum products, as described in 40 CFR part 98 subparts LL and MM, respectively. (40 CFR part 98, subpart A contains general provisions related to registration and reporting.) Parties who may be interested in this notice include refiners, importers, and exporters of these products.

This Federal Register notice may be of particular relevance to parties that have submitted data under the above-listed programs. Since other parties may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific parties that may be affected by this action. If you have further questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular party, please contact the person listed in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

II. How can I get copies of this document and other related information?

A. Electronically

EPA has established a public docket for this Federal Register notice under Docket EPA–HQ–OAR–2012–0817.

All documents in the docket are identifiable in the docket index available at http://www.regulations.gov. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, such as confidential business information (CBI) or other information for which disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain materials, such as copyrighted material, will only be available in hard copy at the EPA Docket Center.

B. EPA Docket Center

Materials listed under Docket EPA–HQ–OAR–2012–0817 will be available either electronically through http://www.regulations.gov or in hard copy at the Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, EPA/DC, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is [202] 566–1744, and the telephone number for the Air Docket is [202] 566–1742.
III. Description of Programs and Potential Disclosure of Information Claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI) to Contractors

EPA’s Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ) has responsibility for protecting public health and the environment by regulating air pollution from motor vehicles, engines, and the fuels used to operate them, and by encouraging travel choices that minimize emissions. In order to implement various Clean Air Act programs, and to permit regulated entities flexibility in meeting regulatory requirements (e.g., compliance on average), we collect compliance reports and other information from them. Occasionally, the information submitted is claimed to be confidential business information (CBI). Information submitted under such a claim is handled in accordance with EPA’s regulations at 40 CFR part 2, subpart B and in accordance with EPA procedures, including comprehensive system security plans (SSPs) that are consistent with those regulations. When EPA has determined that disclosure of information claimed as CBI to contractors is necessary, the corresponding contract must address the appropriate use and handling of the information by the contractor and the contractor must require its personnel who require access to information claimed as CBI to sign written nondisclosure agreements before they are granted access to data.

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.301(h), we have determined that the contractors, subcontractors, and grantees (collectively referred to as “contractors”) listed below require access to CBI submitted to us under the Clean Air Act and in connection with the Mandatory Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reporting Rule [40 CFR part 98, subparts A (general registration and reporting provisions) LL, and MM], as well as various OTAQ programs related to fuels, vehicles, and engines (40 CFR parts 79 and 80) and we are providing notice and an opportunity to comment. OTAQ collects this data in order to monitor compliance with Clean Air Act programs and, in many cases, to permit regulated parties flexibility in meeting regulatory requirements. For example, data that may contain CBI is collected in order to register fuels and fuel additives prior to introduction into commerce and to certify engines. Certain programs are designed to permit regulated parties an opportunity to comply on average, or to engage in transactions using various types of credits. For example, OTAQ collects information about batches of gasoline that refiners produce in order to ensure compliance with reformulated gasoline standards. We are issuing this Federal Register notice to inform all affected submitters of information that we plan to grant access to material that may be claimed as CBI to the contractors identified below on a need-to-know basis.

Under Contract Number EP–C–11–007, SRA International, Inc., 4300 Fair Lakes Court, Fairfax, VA 22033, and its subcontractor, PowerSolv, 1801 Robert Fulton Drive, Suite 550, Reston, VA 20191, provide report processing, program support, technical support, and information technology services that involve access to information claimed as CBI related to 40 CFR part 79, 40 CFR part 80, and 40 CFR part 98 subparts A, LL, and MM. Access to data, including information claimed as CBI, will commence on November 19, 2012 and will continue until December 31, 2015. If the contract is extended, this access will continue for the remainder of the contract without further notice.

OTAQ utilizes the services of enrollees under the Senior Environmental Employment (SEE) program. SEE enrollees are provided through Grant Number CQ–834621, the National Association for Hispanic Elderly (NAHE), 234 E. Colorado Blvd., Suite 300, Pasadena, California 91101. Access to data relating to all of OTAQ’s programs and to subparts A, LL, and MM of the Mandatory GHG Reporting Rule, including information claimed as CBI, is ongoing and will continue until March 16, 2013. If the grant is extended, this access will continue for the remainder of the grant and any future extensions without further notice.

Parties who wish further information about this Federal Register notice or about OTAQ’s disclosure of information claimed as CBI to contractors may contact the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection; confidential business information.

Dated: October 18, 2012.

Byron J. Bunker,
Acting Director, Compliance Division, Office of Transportation & Air Quality, Office of Air and Radiation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Proposed Consent Decree, Clean Air Act Citizen Suit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed consent decree; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (“CAA”), notice is hereby given of a proposed consent decree to resolve a lawsuit filed by the Environmental Integrity Project, Sierra Club, and Texas Campaign for the Environment (collectively, “Plaintiffs”) in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia: Environmental Integrity Project, et al., v. Jackson, No. 1:12–cv–00867–RMC (D. D.C.). Plaintiffs filed a deadline suit to compel the Administrator to respond to an administrative petition seeking EPA’s objection to a CAA Title V operating permit issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to the Luminant Generation Company to operate the Sandow 5 Generating Plant, a power plant located in Milam County, Texas. Under the proposed consent decree, EPA would agree to respond to the petition by January 15, 2013.

DATES: Written comments on the proposed consent decree must be received by December 10, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID number EPA–HQ–OCC–2012–0847 online at www.regulations.gov (EPA’s preferred method); by email to oei.docket@epa.gov; by mail to EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001; or by hand delivery or courier to EPA Docket Center, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. Comments on a disk or CD–ROM should be formatted in Word or ASCII file, avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption, and may be mailed to the mailing address above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Coursen, Office of General Counsel (Mail Code 2344A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone: (202) 564–0781; fax number (202) 564–5693; email address: coursen.david@epa.gov.