

INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION SCIENCES—Continued

CFDA No. and name	Application package available	Deadline for transmittal of applications	Estimated range of awards*	Project period	For further information contact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ National Research and Development Center on Developmental Education Assessment and Instruction.</li> <li>■ National Research and Development Center on Knowledge Utilization.</li> </ul>	June 6, 2013 .....	September 4, 2013	\$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000.	Up to 5 years .....	Rebecca McGill-Wilkinson. <i>Rebecca.McGill@ed.gov.</i>
84.305D Statistical and Research Methodology in Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Statistical and Research Methodology Grants.</li> <li>■ Early Career Statistical and Research Methodology Grants.</li> </ul>	June 6, 2013 .....	September 4, 2013	\$40,000 to \$300,000	Up to 3 years .....	Phill Gagne. <i>Phill.Gagne@ed.gov.</i>
84.305H Partnerships and Collaborations Focused on Problems of Practice or Policy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Researcher-Practitioner Partnerships in Education Research.</li> <li>■ Continuous Improvement Research in Education.</li> <li>■ Evaluation of State and Local Education Programs and Policies.</li> </ul>	June 6, 2013 .....	September 4, 2013	\$100,000 to \$1,000,000.	Up to 5 years .....	Allen Ruby. <i>Allen.Ruby@ed.gov.</i>

\* These estimates are annual amounts.  
**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Extension of the Public Comment Period for the Draft Uranium Leasing Program Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.  
**ACTION:** Extension of the public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is extending the public comment period for the Draft *Uranium Leasing Program Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement* (Draft ULP PEIS, DOE/EIS-0472D), made available for public comment on March 15, 2013 (78 FR 16500). The public comment period for the Draft ULP PEIS was to complete on May 16, 2013, and has now been extended to close on May

31, 2013. This extension is being made in response to a public request for additional review time.

**DATES:** The public comment period will close on May 31, 2013. Comments received after the end of the comment period will be considered to the extent practicable.

**ADDRESSES:** The Draft ULP PEIS is available for review on the ULP PEIS Web site at <http://ulpeis.anl.gov/> or the DOE NEPA Web site at <http://www.energy.gov/nepa>. Please direct written comments on the Draft ULP PEIS to Mr. Raymond Plienness, ULP PEIS Document Manager, Office of Legacy Management, U.S. Department of Energy, 11025 Dover Street, Suite 1000, Westminster, CO 80021. Comments may also be submitted via email to [ulpeis@anl.gov](mailto:ulpeis@anl.gov) or via the internet at <http://ulpeis.anl.gov/>. DOE will give equal weight to written, email, and oral comments. Questions regarding the ULP PEIS process, requests to be placed on

the ULP PEIS mailing list, and requests for copies of the document should be directed to Mr. Plienness.

For general information about the NEPA process, please contact: Ms. Carol M. Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance, GC-54, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585, Telephone: (202) 586-4600, leave a message at 1-800-472-2756, or send an email to [AskNEPA@hq.doe.gov](mailto:AskNEPA@hq.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DOE has scheduled four public hearings on the Draft ULP PEIS at the following locations, dates, and times:

- Grand Junction, Colorado, April 22, 2013 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Colorado Mesa University, University Center Ballroom, 1455 N. 12th St., Grand Junction, CO.
- Montrose, Colorado, April 23, 2013 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Johnson

Elementary School, 13820 6700 Road, Montrose, CO.

- Telluride, Colorado, April 24, 2013 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Telluride Middle/High School, 725 W Colorado Avenue, Telluride, CO.

- Naturita, Colorado, April 25, 2013 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Naturita School, 141 W Main St., Naturita, CO.

The public hearings will begin with an open-house format with subject matter experts from DOE available to answer questions on the ULP and Draft ULP PEIS. Individuals who would like to present comments verbally at these hearings should register upon arrival at the hearing or register via the internet at <http://ulpeis.anl.gov/> before the public hearing dates. Members of the general public are invited to attend the hearings at their convenience any time during hearing hours and submit their comments in writing, or in person to a court reporter.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 17, 2013.

David Geiser,

Director, DOE-Office of Legacy Management.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9804-1]

### Forms and Procedures for Submitting Attest Engagements Under Various Subparts

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ) is announcing that attest engagements reports due on or after May 8, 2013 must be submitted via EPA's Central Data Exchange (CDX). The substance of the attest engagement report itself is unchanged. EPA is switching to all-electronic reporting using the Central Data Exchange (CDX) because it is simple, cost effective, and efficient. As of May 8, 2013, parties will no longer be permitted to submit attest engagements via any method but CDX. This notice affects parties subject to attest engagement requirements of fuels programs, including reformulated gasoline, anti-dumping, gasoline sulfur, benzene content, and the renewable fuel standard.

**DATES:** The attest engagement procedures described in this notice are effective starting with attest

engagements due or submitted to EPA on or after May 8, 2013.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Does this notice apply to me?

This action affects regulated parties who submit attest engagements to EPA under various 40 C.F.R. Part 80 programs, including the reformulated gasoline, anti-dumping, gasoline sulfur, and benzene programs, and the renewable fuel standard. The specific programs and forms affected are discussed in *Section III—What Reports Must Be Submitted via CDX?* Reports due or submitted to EPA on or after May 8, 2013 must be submitted to the OTAQ Fuels Reporting System via the EPA Central Data Exchange (CDX). As of that date, regulated parties will no longer be permitted to submit attest engagements by any method other than CDX (e.g. EPA will no longer accept reports sent by mail). This notice also affects the resubmission of any attest engagement report to EPA, if the resubmission occurs on or after May 8, 2013. 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. Why is EPA switching to all-electronic submission of attest engagements using CDX?

The Central Data Exchange (CDX) enables fast, efficient, and secure submission of data to EPA. The EPA Administrator designated CDX in the Cross-Media Electronic Reporting Regulation (CROMERR), 40 CFR part 3, published in the **Federal Register** on October 13, 2005 (70 FR 59848) (FRL-7977-1). CROMERR provides the legal framework for electronic reporting under EPA's regulations, and requires any regulated entity that submits electronic documents directly to EPA to use CDX or an alternative system designated by the Administrator. CDX provides a single, centralized point of access for regulated entities to submit information electronically to EPA; and ensures the legal dependability of electronically submitted documents and provide a secure environment for data exchange.

Among the advantages offered by CDX are the following features, which will

improve submission and handling of attest engagements required under various 40 CFR Part 80 fuels programs. CDX allows parties to:

- Submit data through one centralized and secure point of access;
- Receive confirmation from EPA when submissions are received;
- Identify and download a copy of record of what was submitted
- Submit data in a variety of formats including Excel and flat-file; and
- Reduce costs associated with submitting and processing data submissions.

- EPA does not charge the regulated party to set up a CDX account.

All active regulated parties subject to 40 CFR Part 80 already have CDX accounts and EPA's reporting forms and procedures already specify the submission of compliance reports using CDX. However, to date we have only permitted the submission of attest engagement reports by mail. Attest engagement reports due or submitted on or after May 8, 2013, may not be submitted by mail, and must be submitted using CDX.

There are several reasons for eliminating alternative submission options. Physical media such as paper, CDs, and diskettes submitted to EPA via postal mail is irradiated for security reasons, and is often damaged as a result. This type of damage cannot occur with a CDX transmission. Storing paper and physical media associated with attest engagements requires a significant amount of secure storage space. With CDX, no superfluous paper record or physical object requiring special storage is generated by the submitter. EPA is able to more quickly and efficiently process reports received through CDX, and the amount of paper and physical media that must be utilized, reviewed, stored, and eventually archived, is greatly reduced. Costs associated with physical storage are also reduced.

EPA believes there is no reason to provide for alternatives to CDX and that exclusive use of CDX will increase efficiency and lower the costs associated with the submission and processing of attest engagements. It will also enhance the availability and integrity of information stored in our compliance database. Attest engagement reports are generally not publicly available (since they often contain information claimed as confidential business information by the submitter), but the data must be made available to EPA program and enforcement personnel. By utilizing CDX, information is entered into our compliance database and available for use much more quickly. By fully utilizing CDX, we expect not only