

committee established as directed by Section 3133(b) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (WRDA 2007) (Pub. L. 110–114). The committee is advisory in nature only with duties to include providing information and recommendations to the Corps of Engineers regarding operations of Eufaula Lake, Oklahoma for project purposes. In accordance with Sections 3133(c)(2) and 3133(d)(1) of WRDA 2007, the committee will also provide recommendations on a reallocation study concerning current and future use of the Lake Eufaula storage capacity for authorized project purposes as well as a subsequent pool management plan.

Agenda: This will be the fourth meeting of the LEAC. The committee will provide recommendations to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers about a reallocation study and lake level manipulation plan, and discuss future direction of the LEAC.

Public's Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first-come basis. Legacy on Main Street is readily accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities. For additional information about public access procedures, contact Mr. Jeff Knack, the Committee's Designated Federal Officer, at the email address or telephone number listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Written Comments and Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements to the Committee, in response to the stated agenda of the open meeting or in regard to the Committee's mission in general. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mr. Knack, the Committee's Designated Federal Officer, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Each page of the comment or statement must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received by the Designated Federal Officer at least seven business days prior to the meeting to be considered by the Committee. The Designated Federal Officer and the Committee Chair will review all timely submitted written comments or statements and ensure the comments are provided to all members of the

Committee before the meeting. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the Committee until its next meeting. Please note that because the LEAC operates under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, all written comments will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140d, the Committee is not obligated to allow a member of the public to speak or otherwise address the Committee during the meeting. Members of the public will be permitted to make verbal comments during the Committee meeting only at the time and in the manner described below. If a member of the public is interested in making a verbal comment at the open meeting, that individual must submit a request, with a brief statement of the subject matter to be addressed by the comment, at least three (3) days in advance to the Committee's Designated Federal Officer, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the addresses listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The Designated Federal Officer will log each request, in the order received, and in consultation with the Committee Chair determine whether the subject matter of each comment is relevant to the Committee's mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. A 15-minute period near the end of meeting will be available for verbal public comments. Members of the public who have requested to make a verbal comment and whose comments have been deemed relevant under the process described above, will be allotted no more than three (3) minutes during this period, and will be invited to speak in the order in which their requests were received by the Designated Federal Officer.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2018–ICCD–0001]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Impact Evaluation of Departmentalized Instruction in Elementary Schools

AGENCY: Institute of Education Sciences (IES), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a new information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 9, 2018.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the Docket ID number ED–2018–ICCD–0001. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, LBJ, Room 216–32, Washington, DC 20202–4537.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Thomas Wei, 202–341–0626.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in

response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Impact Evaluation of Departmentalized Instruction in Elementary Schools.

OMB Control Number: 1850-NEW.

Type of Review: A new information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 2,844.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 1,091.

Abstract: This package requests clearance for data collection activities to support an evaluation of departmentalized instruction in elementary schools. This evaluation is authorized by Title VII Section 8601 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended most recently in 2015 by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). ESSA gives states considerable flexibility in designing systems to hold their schools accountable for improving student achievement. This flexibility extends to the types of strategies that states encourage or require their low-performing schools to adopt. However, many strategies in use have little to no evidence of effectiveness. More research is needed to help states identify strategies that are likely to help their low-performing schools improve.

One potential strategy that has recently become more popular in upper elementary school grades is to departmentalize instruction, where each teacher specializes in teaching one subject to multiple classes of students instead of teaching all subjects to a single class of students (self-contained instruction). However, virtually no evidence exists on its effectiveness relative to the more traditional self-contained approach. This evaluation will help to fill the gap by examining whether departmentalizing fourth and fifth grade teachers improves teacher and student outcomes. The evaluation will focus on math and reading, with an emphasis on low-performing schools that serve a high percentage of disadvantaged students.

The evaluation will include implementation and impact analyses. The implementation analysis will describe schools' approaches to departmentalization and benefits and challenges encountered. The analysis will be based on information from schools' study agreement form; meetings to design each school's approach to departmentalization; monitoring and support calls with schools; a principal interview; and a teacher survey. The impact analysis will draw on data from

a teacher survey, videos of classroom instruction, a principal interview, and district administrative records to estimate the impact of departmentalized instruction on various outcomes. The outcomes include the quality of instruction and student-teacher relationships, teacher satisfaction and retention, and student achievement and behavior. These various data collection activities will be carried out between spring 2018 and fall 2020, although most of the activities with the exception of the administrative data will take place only once during the first year treatment schools implement departmentalized instruction (2018-2019 school year).

Dated: January 3, 2018.

Stephanie Valentine,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

Docket Numbers: EC18-43-000.

Applicants: South Central MCN LLC.

Description: Application of South Central MCN LLC for Authorization under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act, et al.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229-5213.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Docket Numbers: EC18-44-000.

Applicants: Otter Tail Power Company.

Description: Request For Approvals Pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act of Otter Tail Power Company.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229-5234.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

Docket Numbers: EG18-26-000.

Applicants: Lincoln Clean Energy, LLC.

Description: Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status (Tahoka Wind, LLC).

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229-5278.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER10-3199-004.

Applicants: MDU Resources Inc.

Description: Updated Market Analysis in the Central Region of MDU Resources Inc.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229-5282.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/27/18.

Docket Numbers: ER15-1596-005; ER15-1599-005; ER14-1569-006; ER10-2616-012; ER11-4398-007; ER11-4400-009; ER15-1958-004; ER10-3247-012; ER14-922-005; ER14-883-007; ER14-924-005; ER15-2535-002.

Applicants: Dynegy Commercial Asset Management, LLC, Dynegy Energy Services (East), LLC, Dynegy Energy Services, LLC, Dynegy Marketing and Trade, LLC, Dynegy Midwest Generation, LLC, Dynegy Power Marketing, LLC, Dynegy Resources Management, LLC, Electric Energy, Inc., Illinois Power Generating Company, Illinois Power Marketing Company, Illinois Power Resources Generating, LLC, Midwest Electric Power, Inc.

Description: Updated Market Power Analysis of the Dynegy Central MBR Sellers.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229-5225.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/27/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18-573-000.
Applicants: Montpelier Generating Station, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229-5204.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18-574-000.
Applicants: Monument Generating Station, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229-5205.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18-575-000.
Applicants: O.H. Hutchings CT, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.

Filed Date: 12/29/17.

Accession Number: 20171229-5206.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 1/19/18.

Docket Numbers: ER18-576-000.
Applicants: Sidney, LLC.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Reactive Power Rate Schedule to be effective 12/31/9998.