

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2021–SCC–0079]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Required Proprietary Institution Certification Form**AGENCY:** Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).**ACTION:** Notice.**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing an extension without change of a currently approved collection.**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 29, 2021.**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this information collection request by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox. Comments may also be sent to ICDocketmgr@ed.gov.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Karen Epps, (202) 453–6337.**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: Required Proprietary Institution Certification Form.*OMB Control Number:* 1840–0855.*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.*Respondents/Affected Public:* Private Sector.*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 1,757.*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 879.*Abstract:* The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 provides funding for proprietary institutions of higher education, to be used solely to make financial aid grants directly to students, which may be used for any component of the student’s cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to the coronavirus, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care) or child care. This collection includes required certifications that must be completed by proprietary institutions seeking funding under this statute.

Dated: September 23, 2021.

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BILLING CODE 4000–01–P**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Proposed Emergency Agency Information Collection****AGENCY:** Office of Management, Department of Energy.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) invites the public to comment on a proposed collection of information that DOE is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.**DATES:** Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before October 29, 2021. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in**ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be sent to Jason Taylor, Procurement Analyst, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585–1615, or by email at Jason.Taylor@hq.doe.gov.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Jason Taylor, Procurement Analyst, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585–1615, by email at Jason.Taylor@hq.doe.gov or by phone at (202) 287–1560.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Comments are requested on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. This information collection request contains:

- (1) *OMB No.:* 1910–5191;
 - (2) *Information Collection Request Title:* Certification of Vaccination—Onsite Support Service Contractor Employees;
 - (3) *Type of Request:* Emergency Clearance;
 - (4) *Purpose:* This information is being requested, collected, and maintained in order to promote the safety of Federal buildings, the Federal workforce, and others on site at agency facilities consistent with the COVID–19 Workplace Safety: Agency Model Safety Principles established by the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force and guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Specifically, this information will be used by DOE staff charged with implementing and enforcing workplace safety protocols.
 - (5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 15,000;
 - (6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 15,000;
 - (7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 2,500;
 - (8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$145,475.
- Statutory Authority:* Executive Order 13991, Protecting the Federal Workforce

and Requiring Mask-Wearing (Jan. 20, 2021); Occupational Safety and Health Program for Federal Employees (Feb. 26, 1980); 5 U.S.C. chapters 11, and 79.; the COVID-19 Workplace Safety: Agency Model Safety Principles established by the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force, and guidance from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on September 23, 2021, by Ingrid Kolb, Director, Office of Management, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 23, 2021.

Treena V. Garrett,

Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST)

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open virtual meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Monday, October 18, 2021; 12:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. ET. Tuesday, October 19, 2021; 12:00 p.m. to 2:10 p.m. ET.

ADDRESSES: Information to participate virtually can be found on the PCAST website closer to the meeting at: www.whitehouse.gov/PCAST.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Sarah Domnitz, Designated Federal Officer, PCAST, email: PCAST@ostp.eop.gov or telephone: (202) 881-6399.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PCAST is an advisory group of the nation's leading scientists and engineers, appointed by the President to augment the science and technology advice available to him from the White House, cabinet departments, and other Federal agencies. See the Executive Order at whitehouse.gov. PCAST is consulted on and provides analyses and recommendations concerning a wide range of issues where understanding of science, technology, and innovation may bear on the policy choices before the President. The Designated Federal Officer is Sarah Domnitz. Information about PCAST can be found at: www.whitehouse.gov/PCAST.

Tentative Agenda: PCAST will hear from invited speakers on and discuss various aspects of combatting and adapting to climate change, including ongoing work within individual federal agencies, implications for national security, and achieving net zero emissions by 2050. Additional information and the meeting agenda, including any changes that arise, will be posted on the PCAST website at: www.whitehouse.gov/PCAST.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. It is the policy of the PCAST to accept written public comments no longer than 10 pages and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The PCAST expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements.

The public comment period for this meeting will take place on October 19, 2021, at a time specified in the meeting agenda. This public comment period is designed only for substantive commentary on PCAST's work, not for business marketing purposes.

Oral Comments: To be considered for the public speaker list at the meeting, interested parties should register to speak at PCAST@ostp.eop.gov, no later than 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on October 12, 2021. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for public comments will be limited to two (2) minutes per person, with a total public comment period of up to 10 minutes. If more speakers register than there is space available on the agenda, PCAST will select speakers on a first-come, first-served basis from those who registered. Those not able to present oral comments may file written comments with the council.

Written Comments: Although written comments are accepted continuously, written comments should be submitted to PCAST@ostp.eop.gov no later than 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time on October 12,

2021, so that the comments may be made available to the PCAST members for their consideration prior to this meeting.

PCAST operates under the provisions of FACA, all public comments and/or presentations will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including being posted on the PCAST website www.whitehouse.gov/PCAST.

Minutes: Minutes will be available within 45 days by emailing PCAST@ostp.eop.gov.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 24, 2021.

LaTanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. NJ21-13-000]

Western Area Power Administration; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

Take notice that on September 17, 2021, pursuant to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 35.28(e) and 18 CFR 385.207, the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA), submitted revisions to its non-jurisdictional Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) and petitions the Commission for a declaratory order finding that these modifications to WAPA's OATT substantially conform to, or are superior to, the Commission's pro forma OATT and that these WAPA modifications satisfy the requirements for reciprocity status.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Petitioner.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests