

Agreement to become effective on October 6, 1998.

Comment date: October 23, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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 motion to intervene. Copies of these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Open Access Same-time Information System (OASIS) and Standards of Conduct; Notice of Filing of Proposed Standards for Transmission Path Naming and Request for Comments

October 14, 1998.

Take notice that on September 15, 1998, the Commercial Practices Working Group (CPWG), in conjunction with the OASIS How Working Group, tendered for filing proposed standards for transmission path naming submitted in response to a request from the Commission in an order issued in this proceeding on June 18, 1998. *Open Access Same-time Information System and Standards of Conduct*, 83 FERC ¶ 61,360 at 62,463 (1998).

We invite written comments on this filing on or before October 28, 1998. Any person desiring to submit comments should file an original and 14 paper copies and one copy on a computer diskette in WordPerfect 6.1 format or in ASCII format with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. The comments must contain a caption that references Docket No. RM95-9-003.

Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. The filing will also be posted on the Commission Issuance Posting System (CIPS), an electronic bulletin board and World Wide Web (at WWW.FERC.FED.US) service, that provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission. The complete text on diskette in WordPerfect format may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, RVJ International, Inc. RVJ International, Inc. is located in the Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6178-6]

Policy Review Board Charter Renewal

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Policy Review Board charter renewal.

SUMMARY: The Charter for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Gulf of Mexico Program Policy Review Board (PRB) will be renewed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Inquiries may be directed to Gloria D. Car, Designated Federal Officer, Gulf of Mexico Program PRB, U.S. EPA, Building 1103, Room 202, Stennis Space Center, MS 39529-6000 at (228) 688-2421.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Carter for the EPA's Gulf of Mexico Program PRB will be renewed for an additional two-year period as a necessary public committee which is in the public interest, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. appl. 2 section 9(c). The purpose of the PRB is to provide advice and counsel to State and Federal agencies on issues associated with environmental management and policy of the Gulf of Mexico. It is determined that the PRB is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Agency by law.

Dated: October 7, 1998.

Gloria D. Car,

Designated Federal Officer, Gulf of Mexico Program Office.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-00249; FRL-6029-7]

Cooperative Agreements to Develop Authorized Tribal Training, Accreditation, and Certification Programs for Lead-Based Paint Professionals

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of funds availability; solicitation of applications for financial assistance.

SUMMARY: This notice announces EPA's intent to enter into cooperative agreements with Indian tribes to provide financial assistance for purposes of developing EPA-authorized training, accreditation, and certification programs for professionals engaged in lead-based paint activities. In fiscal year 99 (FY 99), EPA is awarding Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) section 404(g) grants under two separate programs. The first program is a continuation of the grant program initiated in FY 94 which provides funds to States, territories, the District of Columbia, and Indian tribes for the development and implementation of authorized lead-based paint training, accreditation and certification programs. The second program, and subject of this notice, is a new cooperative agreement program for FY 99 which provides up to \$1.2 million for eligible Indian tribes to be used exclusively for the development of EPA authorized programs to ensure that individuals engaged in lead-based paint activities are properly trained; that training programs are accredited; and that contractors engaged in such activities are certified. EPA's intent is to use these funds to increase the number of Tribes pursuing the development of authorizable programs. Therefore, primary consideration for distribution of assistance will be given to Indian tribes which have not previously received TSCA section 404(g) funding for training, accreditation, and certification programs. These programs and this financial assistance are authorized by section 404 of TSCA. The notice describes eligibility criteria, eligible activities, application procedures and requirements, and funding criteria. There are no matching share requirements for this assistance. Subject to future budget limitations, EPA plans to provide this support on a continuing basis to eligible Indian tribes. All cooperative agreements will be administered by the appropriate EPA Regional office.

DATES: In order to be considered for funding during this award cycle, all applications must be received by the appropriate EPA Regional office on or before December 21, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information, contact: Susan B. Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 554-1404, TDD: (202) 554-0551, e-mail: TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov. For technical information, contact the appropriate Regional Primary Lead Contact person listed in Unit VI. of this notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 404(g) of TSCA authorizes EPA to award non-matching cooperative agreements to eligible Indian tribes to develop and carry out authorized programs to ensure that individuals engaged in lead-based paint activities are properly trained; that training programs are accredited; and that contractors engaged in lead-based paint activities are certified.

Pursuant to Title IV of TSCA, EPA encourages Indian tribes to seek authorization of their own training, accreditation, and certification programs for lead-based paint activities. EPA therefore recommends that parties without program authorization, especially those which have not previously participated in the TSCA section 404(g) grant program seek funding through this \$1.2 million program to help achieve these ends. EPA further recommends that parties plan to utilize this cooperative agreement support in a way that complements any related financial assistance they may receive from other Federal sources. EPA will seek to ensure that all Federally-funded lead activities are undertaken in a coordinated fashion. In addition, recipients must comply with the requirements of 40 CFR part 31, the Agency's general grant regulations, including 40 CFR 31.25 with respect to program income.

I. Eligibility

EPA will not award financial assistance under this program to Tribes with authorized programs or Tribes which receive funding under the Notification of Funds Available published in the **Federal Register** of August 14, 1998 (63 FR 43699) (FRL-6021-1). Tribes must demonstrate that they meet the criteria at 40 CFR 745.330. Pursuant to 40 CFR 745.330, as amended in 1998, the Administrator may treat a Tribe as eligible to apply for a TSCA section 404(g) grant if the Tribe:

(1) Is recognized by the Secretary of Interior, (2) has an existing government exercising substantial governmental duties and powers, (3) has adequate authority to carry out the grant activities, and (4) is reasonably expected to be capable, in the Administrator's judgment, of administering the grant program.

II. Authority

The "TSCA Title IV State Lead Cooperative Agreement Program" is a financial assistance program administered by EPA under the authority of section 404(g) of TSCA. Each of EPA's 10 Regional Administrators has been delegated the authority to enter into cooperative agreements with eligible Indian tribes.

III. Activities to be Funded

EPA will provide financial assistance to Indian tribes to develop EPA authorized programs under 40 CFR part 745. Eligible activities must support program development, examples of which include: development of infrastructure, lead hazard assessment and evaluation, and outreach/education to enhance public awareness of the training, accreditation, and certification program. The "Tribal Cooperative Agreement Guidance for FY 1999" (Guidance), issued by the Agency in October of 1998, provides assistance in determining eligible activities. Copies of the Guidance may be obtained by contacting the appropriate Regional Primary Lead Contact person listed in Unit IV. of this Notice.

IV. Allocation of Funds

The Regions will have discretion in the distribution of the TSCA section 404(g) funds. Each Indian tribe that is awarded a cooperative agreement will receive a base funding in the amount of \$50,000. Eligible Indian tribes may also apply for funding above the base level. Distribution of the funds above the base funding level will be dependent upon the number of qualified applicants, program progress, tribal population and other factors as appropriate.

V. Submission Requirements

To be considered for funding, each application must include, at a minimum, the following forms and certifications which are contained in EPA's "Application Kit for Assistance": (1) Standard Form 424 (Application for Federal Assistance), (2) EPA Form 5700-48 (Procurement Certification), (3) Drug-Free Workplace Certification, (4) Debarment and Suspension Certification, (5) Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, and (6) a return mailing

address. In addition to these standard forms, each application must also include a work plan, a detailed line-item budget with sufficient information to clearly justify costs, a list of work products, and a schedule for their completion of the work plan.

Work programs and other elements of the application are to be negotiated between applicants and their EPA Regional offices to ensure that priorities are adequately addressed. The principal goal of work shall be to progress toward implementation of an approvable training, accreditation, and certification program. Also, any applicant proposing the collection of environmentally-related measurements or data generation must adequately address the requirements of 40 CFR 31.45 relating to quality assurance/quality control. These requirements are more specifically outlined in the "Guidance Document for the Preparation of Quality Assurance Project Plans" (May 1993) published by EPA's Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics. This document, as well as the application kits referred to above, may be obtained from EPA's Regional offices.

VI. Application Procedures and Schedule

Applications must be submitted to the appropriate EPA Regional office in duplicate; one copy to the Regional lead program branch and the other to the Regional grants management branch. Early consultations are recommended between prospective applicants and their EPA Regional offices. Because TSCA Title IV cooperative agreements will be administered at the Regional level, these consultations can be critical to the ultimate success of the project or program. After funding levels are determined and the funds are transferred to the appropriate EPA Regional account, the Regional office lead contact person will contact the applicant and discuss the final award. EPA Regional offices may require the applicant to modify its proposed work plan and cooperative agreement based upon the final funding level of the cooperative agreement.

The cooperative agreement shall be used solely for the purpose described in the applicant's approved implementation plan and the budget, including any changes that may be negotiated and adopted in the cooperative agreement.

For more information about this financial assistance program, or for technical assistance in preparing an application for funding, interested parties should contact the Regional Primary Lead Contact person in the

appropriate EPA Regional office. The mailing addresses and contact telephone numbers for these offices are listed below.

Region I: (Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont), JFK Federal Building, One Congress St., Boston, MA 02203, Telephone: (617) 565-3836 (Jim Bryson)

Region II: (New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands), Building 5, SDPTSB, 2890 Woodbridge Ave., Edison, NJ 08837-3679, Telephone: (908) 321-6671 (Lou Bevilacqua)

Region III: (Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia), 841 Chestnut Bldg., Philadelphia, PA 19107, Telephone: (215) 566-2084 (Gerallyn Valls)

Region IV: (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee), 61 Forsyth St., SW., Atlanta, GA 30303, Telephone: (404) 562-8998 (Rose Anne Rudd)

Region V: (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin), DRT-8J, 77 W. Jackson St., Chicago, IL 60604, Telephone: (312) 886-7836 (David Turpin)

Region VI: (Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas), 12th Floor, 1445 Ross Ave., Dallas, TX 75202, Telephone: (214) 665-7577 (Jeff Robinson)

Region VII: (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska), ARTD/RENV, 726 Minnesota Ave., Kansas City, KS 66101, Telephone: (913) 551-7518 (Mazzie Talley)

Region VIII: (Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming), 999 18th St., Suite 500, Denver, CO 80202, Telephone: (303) 312-6021 (David Combs)

Region IX: (Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, American Samoa, and Guam), 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA 94105, Telephone: (415) 744-1094 (Harold Rush)

Region X: (Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington), Solid Waste and Toxics Unit (WCM-128), 1200 Sixth Ave., Seattle, WA 98101, Telephone: (206) 553-1985 (Barbara Ross)

The deadline for EPA's receipt of final FY 99 applications is December 21, 1998. Once the application deadline has passed, EPA will process the formula funding calculations and determine the initial formula ceiling allocations.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Lead.

Dated: October 7, 1998.

Lynn R. Goldman,

Assistant Administrator for Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

October 13, 1998.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communication Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments by December 21, 1998. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 234, 1919 M St., N.W., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to lesmith@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Les Smith at 202-418-0217 or via internet at lesmith@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0758.

Title: Amendment of Part 5 of the Commission's Rules to Revise the Experimental Radio Service Regulations, ET Doc. No. 96-256.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities; Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 428.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirements; Third party disclosure.

Total Annual Burden: 681 hours.

Estimated Cost to Respondents: None.

Needs and Uses: The collection of information contained in Part 5 is made necessary by Sections 5.75, 5.85(d), 5.85(e), and 5.93(b) of the Report and Order revising the Commission's Rules governing the Experimental Radio Service. They are as follows: (1) pursuant to Section 5.75, if a blanket license is granted, licensees will be required to notify the Commission of the specific details of each individual experiment, including location, number of base and mobile units, power, emission designator, and any other pertinent technical information not specified by the blanket license; (2) pursuant to Section 5.85(d), when applicants are using public safety frequencies to perform experiments of a public safety nature, the license may be conditioned to require coordination between the experimental licensee and appropriate frequency coordinator and/or all public safety licensees in its area of operation; (3) pursuant to Section 5.85(e), the Commission may, at its discretion, condition any experimental license or special temporary authority (STA) on the requirement that before commencing operation, the new licensee coordinate its proposed facility with other licensees that may receive interference as a result of the new licensee's operations; and (4) pursuant to Section 5.93(b), unless otherwise stated in the instrument of authorization, licenses granted for the purpose of limited market studies require the licensee to inform anyone participating in the experiment that the service or device is granted under an experimental authorization and is strictly temporary. In all cases, it is the responsibility of the licensee to coordinate with other users.

Coordination is necessary to avoid harmful interference, and notification to participants of limited market studies is necessary to indicate that the experiment is temporary.