County. The project effluent will discharge to the Lehigh River.

Documents relating to these items may be examined at the Commission's offices. Preliminary dockets are available in single copies upon request. Please contact Thomas L. Brand at (609) 883–9500 ext. 221 concerning docket-related questions. Persons wishing to testify at this hearing are requested to register with the Acting Secretary at (609) 883–9500 ext. 222 prior to the hearing.

Individuals in need of an accommodation as provided for in the Americans With Disabilities Act who would like to attend the hearing should contact the Acting Secretary at (609) 883–9500 ext. 222 or through the New Jersey Relay Service at 1–800–852–7899 (TTY) to discuss how the DRBC may accommodate your needs.

Dated: September 14, 1999.

Anne M. Zamonski,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Oak Ridge Operations Office, Office of Transportation Technologies; Notice of Solicitation for Research and Development for Class 1–8 Truck Diesel Engine and Natural Gas Fueled Hybrid Propulsion Technologies: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Technology for Transportation

AGENCY: Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of solicitation availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) announces its interest in receiving financial assistance applications for research and development (R&D) on Technologies for Class 1–8 truck Diesel engine and hybrid propulsion technologies. DOE's Office of Heavy Vehicle Technologies (OHVT) has set a goal of improving the efficiency and emissions performance of Class 1–8 trucks through the use of advanced Diesel engines, emission control technologies, and hybrid electric propulsion systems.

DATES: The complete solicitation document will be available on or about September 21, 1999. Preapplications are due October 4, 1999, and applications are due November 15, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The complete solicitation document will be available on the DOE Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) Home Page at http://doe-iips.pr.doe.gov/under the heading "IIPS

Business Opportunities", Solicitation Number DE–SC05–99OR22735. Any amendments to this solicitation will be posted at the IIPS site on the Internet. Please note that users will not be alerted when the solicitation is issued on the Internet or when amendments are posted on the Internet. Prospective applicants are therefore advised to check the above Internet address on a daily basis. The cooperative agreements are expected to be awarded on or about January 28, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beth L. Holt, at (423) 576–0783, U.S. Department of Energy, P.O. Box 2001, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831–8759; by fax at (423) 241–2549; or by e-mail at holtbl@oro.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Topic (1) is Heavy Truck Engine Program. The goal is to develop high efficiency, low emission Diesel engine technologies for Class 7-8 trucks. Topic (2) is Heavy Hybrid Vehicles Program. The goal is to develop hybrid electric vehicle systems technologies utilizing reciprocating natural gas engines for Class 3-6 urban trucks and buses. Topic (3) is Clean Diesel Engine Component Improvement Program. The goal is to develop component and technology improvements and/or alterations for increased efficiency, reduced emissions, and decreased manufacturing costs of Class 1–8 Diesel engines. The primary fuel for programs 1 and 3 is the applicable (per Environmental Protection Agency) Diesel certification fuel specified for Federal Test Procedure emissions testing. The fuel grade may be appropriately revised throughout the duration of the three research efforts to be consistent with EPA regulations or proposed rules. The impact of fuel properties on efficiency and performance is the focus of a companion program in OHVT. (If appropriate, new fuels identified in that companion program may be introduced into one or more of the three R&D programs described in this solicitation.) For program 3, applicant teams must propose to include a hybrid propulsion system using a reciprocating engine operating on natural gas. Proposals may be submitted for one, two, or all three programs. Proposals must be submitted separately for each program. Under Topic 1, approximately 2-4 awards will be made, with periods of performance ranging from twenty-four to sixty months, with total estimated DOE funding of \$50,000,000 to \$70,000,000. Under Topic 2, there will be approximately 3-5 awards, with periods of performance ranging from forty-eight to sixty months, with total estimated

DOE funding of \$30,000,000 to \$50,000,000. Under Topic 3, there will be approximately 3-5 awards, with periods of performance ranging from twenty-four to forty-eight months, with total estimated DOE funding of \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000. Topics 1 and 2 require a minimum 50 percent cost share; Topic 3 requires a minimum 25 percent cost share. Awards are subject to the availability of funds and the solicitation will not obligate DOE to make any awards(s). Any non-profit or for-profit organization, university, or other institution of higher education, or non-federal agency or entity is eligible to apply. Federal laboratory participation is encouraged and will be subject to DOE approval. The solicitation will provide further guidance in this area. Awards resulting from this solicitation will be subject to the requirements of the Energy Policy Act which in general requires that the awardee be a United States-owned company (including certain non-profits) or that the foreign country in which the parent company is located meets certain conditions of reciprocity in the treatment of investments, access to research and development programs, and protection of intellectual property. All responsible sources, as indicated above, may submit a preapplication or application which shall be considered by the Government.

Issued in Oak Ridge, Tennessee on September 15, 1999.

Peter D. Dayton,

Director, Procurement and Contracts Division, Oak Ridge Operations Office. [FR Doc. 99–24645 Filed 9–21–99; 8:45 am]

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Availability of Solicitation

AGENCY: Idaho Operations Office, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Solicitation Number DE-PS07-99ID13831—Steel Industries of the Future.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office, is seeking applications for cost-shared research and development of technologies which will reduce energy consumption, enhance economic competitiveness, and reduce environmental impacts of the steel industry. The research is to address research priorities identified by the steel industry in the Steel Industry Technology Roadmap.

DATES: The deadline for receipt of applications is 3:00 p.m. MST November 12, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Applications should be submitted to: Procurement Services Division, U. S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, Attention: Carol Van Lente [DE-PS07-99ID13831], 850 Energy Drive, MS 1221, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol Van Lente, Contract Specialist, at *vanlencl@id.doe.gov.*

supplementary information: The statutory authority for this program is the Federal Non-Nuclear Energy Research & Development Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93–577). Approximately \$5,000,000 to \$6,000,000 in federal funds is expected to be available to fund the first year of selected research efforts. DOE anticipates making one to three cooperative agreement awards each with a duration of five years or less. Collaborations between industry, university, and National Laboratory participants are encouraged.

The issuance date of Solicitation No. DE-PS07-99ID13831 is on or about September 15, 1999. The solicitation is available in full text via the Internet at the following address: http://www.id.doe.gov/doeid/psd/procdiv.html. Technical and non-technical questions should be submitted in writing to Carol Van Lente by e-mail vanlencl@id.doe.gov, or facsimile at 208-526-5548 no later than October 6, 1999.

Issued in Idaho Falls on September 10, 1999.

Michael Adams,

Deputy Director, Procurement Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Fossil Energy

[Docket Nos. FE C&E 99-17, C&E 99-18 and C&E 99-19; Certification Notice—178]

Notice of Filings of Coal Capability of Cordova Energy Company LLC, Athens Generating Co., L.P. and Mantua Creek Generating Co., L.P. Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.
ACTION: Notice of filing.

SUMMARY: Cordova Energy Company LLC, Athens Generating Co., L.P. and Mantua Creek Generating Co., L.P. submitted coal capability self-

certifications pursuant to section 201 of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978, as amended.

ADDRESSES: Copies of self-certification filings are available for public inspection, upon request, in the Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex, Fossil Energy, Room 4G–039, FE–27, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Russell at (202) 586–9624.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title II of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978 (FUA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 8301 et seq.), provides that no new baseload electric powerplant may be constructed or operated without the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel as a primary energy source. In order to meet the requirement of coal capability, the owner or operator of such facilities proposing to use natural gas or petroleum as its primary energy source shall certify, pursuant to FUA section 201(d), to the Secretary of Energy prior to construction, or prior to operation as a base load powerplant, that such powerplant has the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel. Such certification establishes compliance with section 201(a) as of the date filed with the Department of Energy. The Secretary is required to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** that a certification has been filed. The following owners/operators of the proposed new baseload powerplants have filed a self-certification in acccordance with section 201(d).

Owner: Cordova Energy Company LLC (C&E 99–17).

Operator: CalEnergy Generation
Operating Company.

Location: Cordova, IL.
Plant Configuration: Combined cycle.
Capacity: 537 megawatts.
Fuel: Natural gas.

Purchasing Entities: El Paso Power Services Company.

In-Service Date: June 1, 2001. Owner: Athens Generating Company, L.P. (C&E 99–18).

Operator: Athens Generating Company, L.P.

Location: Athens, Greene County, New York.

Plant Configuration: Combined cycle. Capacity: 1,080 megawatts. Fuel: Natural gas.

Purchasing Entities: Wholesale power markets.

In-Service Date: First quarter of 2002. *Owner:* Mantua Creek Generating Company, L.P. (C&E 99–19).

Operator: Mantua Creek Generating Company, L.P.

Location: West Deptford, New Jersey.

Plant Configuration: Combined cycle. Capacity: 800 megawatts.
Fuel: Natural gas.

Purchasing Entities: Wholesale power market.

In-Service Date: Second quarter of 2002.

Issued in Washington, DC, September 16, 1999.

Anthony J. Como,

Deputy Director, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex, Office of Coal & Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy. [FR Doc. 99–24644 Filed 9–21–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-618-000]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

September 15, 1999.

Take notice that on September 10. 1999, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), 500 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan 48243, filed in Docket No. CP99-618-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.208 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.208) for authorization to construct and operate facilities in the Federal Waters, Offshore Louisiana to permit ANR to receive and transport gas from the system of Garden Banks Gas Pipeline, LLC (Garden Banks), under the blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-553-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at http:// www.ferc.fed.us/onLine/htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

ANR proposes to construct and operate approximately 8.2 miles of 16-inch pipeline extending from the terminus of Garden Banks' system in South Marsh Island (SMI) Block 76, to ANR's 20 lateral at SMI Block 61, along with a subsea tie-in at SMI Block 61 and two 10-inch orifice meters on the platform at SMI 76. ANR indicates that the facilities will accommodate up to 225,000 Mcf per day and will cost approximately \$10,000,000.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section