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DOCKET# RP97-71, 012,

TRANSCONTINENTAL GAS PIPE LINE
CORPORATION

OTHER#S RP95-197, 034,

TRANSCONTINENTAL GAS PIPE LINE
CORPORATION

CAG-40.

DOCKET# MG99-26, 000, DAUPHIN
ISLAND GATHERING PARTNERS

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DOCKET# CP99-241, 000, ANR PIPELINE
COMPANY

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DOCKET# CP96-27, 005, NATURAL GAS
PIPELINE COMPANY OF AMERICA

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DOCKET# CP98-131, 002, VECTOR
PIPELINE L.P.OTHER#S CP98-133, 002, VECTOR
PIPELINE L.P.

CP98-133, 003, VECTOR PIPELINE L.P.

CP98-134, 002, VECTOR PIPELINE L.P.

CP99-135, 002, VECTOR PIPELINE L.P.

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DOCKET# CP98-529, 001, PACIFIC
INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION
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ALASKAN PIPELINE COMPANYRP98-370, 001, NORTHWEST PIPELINE
COMPANYCP98-603, 002, NORTHWEST ALASKAN
PIPELINE COMPANY

CP98-690, 001, PG&E GAS

TRANSMISSION, NORTHWEST

CORPORATION, TRANSWESTERN

PIPELINE COMPANY, PACIFIC

INTERSTATE TRANSMISSION

COMPANY AND PAN-ALBERTA GAS
(U.S.) INC.CP98-738, 001, NORTHWEST PIPELINE
COMPANY**Hydro Agenda**

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Oil and Gas Agenda

I. PIPELINE RATE MATTERS

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II.

PIPELINE CERTIFICATE MATTERS

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INDEPENDENCE PIPELINE COMPANY

OTHER#S CP97-315, 001,

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CP97-319, 000, ANR PIPELINE COMPANY

CP97-320, 000, INDEPENDENCE PIPELINE
COMPANYCP97-321, 000, INDEPENDENCE PIPELINE
COMPANYCP98-200, 000, NATIONAL FUEL GAS
SUPPLY CORPORATIONCP98-540, 000, TRANSCONTINENTAL GAS
PIPE LINE CORPORATIONOrder on Application for Pipeline
Certificate.**David P. Boergers,***Secretary.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY****[FRL-6478-4]****Agency Information Collection
Activities: Proposed Collection;
Comment Request; Guidance Manual
and Example NPDES Permit for
Concentrated Animal Feeding
Operations****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit the following proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Guidance Manual and Example NPDES Permit for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations, ICR 1937.01. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 18, 2000.

ADDRESSES: All public comments shall be submitted to: Charlotte White, Office of Wastewater Management, MC 4203, U.S. EPA Headquarters, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the proposed ICR without charge by calling or writing to Charlotte White at the Office of Wastewater Management, MC 4203, U.S. EPA Headquarters, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone: (202) 260-8559.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charlotte White, telephone: (202) 260-8559, fax: (202) 260-1460, E-mail: white.charlotte@epa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Affected entities:* Entities potentially affected by this action are defined as concentrated animal feeding operations ("CAFOs") which are point sources subject to permitting under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)), EPA, and NPDES-authorized States implementing the NPDES permitting program for CAFOs.

Title: Guidance Manual and Example NPDES Permit for Concentrated Animal

Feeding Operations; EPA ICR No. 1937.01

Abstract: This information collection burden is a result of EPA's planned issuance of guidance to National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program authorized permitting authorities concerning permits issued to concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs). The animal livestock industry is undergoing a dramatic change with a shift towards larger facilities and increased potential for water quality impacts. To help address this change and the potential and actual impacts on water quality, the guidance manual is intended to provide clear and concise guidance for permitting agencies regarding the development of effective NPDES permits for CAFOs. The guidance does not increase the number of CAFOs subject to permitting under the NPDES permitting program, however, it recommends the development of a comprehensive nutrient management plan (CNMP) as a special condition of NPDES permits issued to CAFOs. This proposed ICR covers the development of the CNMP, which includes soil and manure sampling; reporting of CNMP development to the permitting authority; and other reporting and record keeping activities that are not described in the current NPDES program guidance for CAFOs. Components of a CNMP typically include: manure handling and storage, land application of manure, land management, record keeping, and other utilization options. EPA believes this CNMP will reduce the potential impact that this change in industry will have on water quality. CNMP data will be used by EPA and States to develop permits, used by the regulated facilities to ensure appropriate land application, and used by the compliance monitoring and enforcement personnel to document compliance. The guidance also recommends that the permittee maintain records concerning manure generation and disposition, and summarize this information on an annual reporting form. Under the guidance the permittee would also be asked to certify that the facility's CNMP reflects current conditions. EPA needs this information to more fully and effectively implement the requirements of the Clean Water Act, which prohibits the discharge of pollutants from point sources—including discharges from CAFOs—to U.S. waters without an NPDES permit.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control

numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) Evaluate 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;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who

are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: EPA estimates that the average annual burden for this ICR is 1,091,445 hours for CAFO respondents (i.e., facilities that may be required to apply for and obtain an NPDES permit), 92,400 hours for States authorized to implement the NPDES permitting program for CAFOs, and 447 hours for Federal agencies. The estimated total number of CAFO respondents over the reporting period is 9,145. This ICR covers a three-year period and the number of respondents per year is phased in at approximately

20 percent in the first year, 40 percent in the second year, and 40 percent in the third year, yielding an annual average number of CAFO respondents of 5,487. Based on this annual average, EPA estimates that there will be 10,974 responses per year, some of which represent one-time responses while others occur annually after CNMP development has been completed. EPA estimates that the average burden per response will be 99 hours, although the burden to develop CNMPs will be larger than the burden for reporting activities. Average total annual O&M costs for manure and soil samples is \$665,373 for all respondents; there are no capital costs associated with this ICR. Table 1 summarizes these and other details of the ICR burden and cost estimates.

TABLE 1.—SUMMARY OF BURDEN AND COSTS FOR THE GUIDANCE MANUAL AND EXAMPLE NPDES PERMIT FOR CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST

| Category | Burden or cost |
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| CAFO Burden by Response: | |
| —One-time CNMP Development Burden (hours) (A) | 1,025,072 |
| —One-time CNMP Development Notification Burden (hours) (B) | 3,048 |
| —Annual CNMP Certification Burden (hours) (C) | 2,439 |
| —Annual Record Keeping Burden (hours) (D) | 60,887 |
| Total Annual CAFO Response Burden (hours) (A+B+C+D) | 1,091,445 |
| Annual Manure/soil Sample Cost (\$) | \$665,373 |
| Annual Number of Responses (E) | 10,974 |
| Average Burden per Response (hours) (A+B+C+D)/(E) | 99 |
| Annual State Burden (hours) | 92,400 |
| Annual Federal Burden (hours) | 447 |

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Dated: November 15, 1999.

Alfred Lindsey,

Deputy Director, Office of Wastewater Management.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information, (202) 564-7167 or www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements filed November 08, 1999 through November 12, 1999 pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 990423, Final EIS, NPS, NB, Homestead National Monument of America, General Management Plan, Implementation, Gage County, NB, Due: December 20, 1999, Contact: Michael Madell (608) 264-5257.

EIS No. 990424, Draft EIS, FHW, FL, FL-423 (John Young Parking), Improvements from FL-50 to FL-434, City of Orlando, Orange County, FL, Due: January 04, 2000, Contact: Mark Bartlett (850) 942-9650.

EIS No. 990425, Draft EIS, SFW, AK, Wolf Lake Area Natural Gas Pipeline Project, Construction, Approval Right-

of-Way Grant and COE Section 404 Permit, Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, AK, Due: January 18, 2000, Contact: Brian L. Anderson (907) 786-3379.

EIS No. 990426, Draft EIS, USA, CA, Oakland Army Base Disposal and Reuse Plan, Implementation, City of Oakland, Alameda County, CA, Due: January 03, 2000, Contact: Theresa Persick Arnold (703) 697-0216.

EIS No. 990427, Final EIS, NPS, CA, Redwood National and State Parks General Management Plan, Implementation, Humboldt and Del Norte Counties, CA, Due: December 20, 1999, Contact: Alan Schmierer (415) 427-1441.

EIS No. 990428, Final EIS, FRC, IL, MI, PA, IN, OH, NJ, Independence Pipeline and Market Link Expansion Projects, Construction and Operation, Interstate National Gas Pipeline, (Docket Nos. CP97-315-001, CP97-319-000, CP98-200-000 and CP98-540-000), NPDES and COE Section 404 Permits, IL, IN, MI, OH, PA and NJ, Due: December 20, 1999, Contact: Paul McKee (202) 208-1088.