

systems. In areas such as energy efficiency, performance, cost, and emissions, the participant will provide detailed rationale that supports these projections. All barriers such as the lack of uniform code standards that will impact on the technical market will be identified. However, any such barriers that are out of the control of the participant shall be deemed not to impact on the projected technical market.

Subtask B—Subtask B is required for any applicant selected for award who proposed on Tasks 3, 4, and/or 5 and is to be performed in conjunction with the lowest numbered task proposed. The completed report must be received within 180 days of initiation of the lowest numbered Task (3–5) proposed. This report will be submitted in accordance with topical report requirements.

The main impetus for this work is the commercial implementation of efficient, clean, and cost effective advanced industrial gas turbines with advanced material systems that are deployed in distributed generation and combined heat and power system(s). It is essential that a commercialization plan support the proposed advanced material systems and achieve the goals of this solicitation. Participants doing work under Tasks 3, 4, or 5 shall complete commercialization plans and strategies for all relevant functions in the commercialization process such as cost-effective manufacturing, marketing, production volumes, and support for the participant's advanced industrial gas turbine system. The commercialization plan will emphasize market applications in the Industries of the Future.

As applicants may apply under one or more of the five tasks within the solicitation Scope of Work, there is a wide range in the number of potential awards and award values. DOE expects to award one (1) to five (5) cooperative agreements under this solicitation. It is estimated that individual awards will range in value between approximately \$300,000.00 and \$1,500,000.00 of DOE funding and will require awardee cost sharing. A minimum non-federal cost sharing commitment of 30% of the cost for Tasks 1 and 2, 45% of the costs for Tasks 3 and 4, and 60% of the costs for Task 5 is required.

Estimated DOE funding is \$6 million over the three-year period. DOE reserves the right to fund in whole or in part, any, all, or none of the applications submitted in response to this solicitation. All awards are subject to the availability of funds.

Any non-profit or for-profit organization or other institution of higher education, or non-federal agency or entity is eligible to apply, unless otherwise restricted by the Simpson-Craig Amendment. In addition, applicants must satisfy the requirements of the Energy Policy Act in order to be eligible for award. DOE National Laboratory participation as a subcontractor is limited to no more than 30% of the cost of any individual task to be performed.

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John D. Greenwood,

Acquisition and Assistance Group, Group Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Energy Information Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Agency information collection activities: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Energy Information Administration (EIA) is soliciting comments on the proposed changes and extension to Form NWPA–830G, “Standard Remittance Advice for Payment of Fees.”

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before March 21, 2000. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Jim Finucane, Office of Coal, Nuclear, Electric and Alternate Fuels, EI–52, Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, D.C. 20585–0650. Alternatively, Mr. Finucane may be reached by phone at 202–426–1960, by e-mail jim.finucane@eia.doe.gov, or by FAX 202–426–1280.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the forms and instructions should be directed to Mr. Finucane at the address listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- I. Background
- II. Current Actions
- III. Request for Comments

I. Background

The Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974 (Pub. L. No. 93–275, 15 U.S.C. 761 *et seq.*) and the Department of Energy Organization Act (Pub. L. No. 95–91), 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*) require the Energy Information Administration (EIA) to carry out a centralized, comprehensive, and unified energy information program. This program collects, evaluates, assembles, analyzes, and disseminates information on energy resource reserves, production, demand, technology, and related economic and statistical information. This information is used to assess the adequacy of energy resources to meet near and longer term domestic demands.

The EIA, as part of its effort to comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), provides the general public and other Federal agencies with opportunities to comment on collections of energy information conducted by or in conjunction with the EIA. Any comments received help the EIA to prepare data requests that maximize the utility of the information collected, and to assess the impact of collection requirements on the public. Also, the EIA will later seek approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of the collections under Section 3507(h) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

The Form NWPA–830G is designed to be the service document for entries into the Department of Energy's accounting records. Electric utilities transmit data concerning payment of their contribution to the Nuclear Waste Fund, and specific data on disposal of nuclear waste.

II. Current Actions

This action is an extension with a minor change proposed to the existing collection. In keeping with its mandated responsibilities, EIA proposes to extend the information collection aspects of NWPA–830G, “Standard Remittance Advice for Payment of Fees” for three years from the current approved OMB expiration date (07/31/00).

Proposed change:

Where to Submit: The address is unchanged for the signed copy of the data form; however, the data in electronic form may now be submitted as an attachment to an E-mail addressed to:

RAPS@EIA.DOE.GOV

III. Request for Comments

Prospective respondents and other interested parties should comment on the actions discussed in item II. The

following guidelines are provided to assist in the preparation of comments.

General Issues

A. Are the proposed collections of information necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency? Does the information have practical utility? (Practical utility is defined as the actual usefulness of information to or for an agency, taking into account its accuracy, adequacy, reliability, timeliness, and the agency's ability to process the information it collects.)

B. What enhancements can be made to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

As a potential respondent:

A. Are the instructions and definitions clear and sufficient? If not, which instructions need clarification?

B. Can information be submitted by the due date?

C. The estimated burden on each respondent on Form NHPA-830G and Annex A is an average of 1 hour per response (with one response per quarter, four times per year.) Burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose and provide the information, above what would be required for efficient management. Please comment on the accuracy of the estimate.

D. The agency estimates that the only costs to the respondents are for the time it will take them to complete the collection. Please comment if respondents will incur start-up costs for reporting, or any recurring annual costs for operation, maintenance, and purchase of services associated with this information collection.

E. What additional actions could be taken to minimize the burden of this collection of information? Such actions may involve the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

F. Does any other Federal, State, or local agency collect similar information? If so, specify the agency, the data element(s), and the methods of collection.

As a Potential User

A. Is the information useful at the levels of detail indicated on the form?

B. For what purpose(s) would the information be used? Be specific.

C. Are there alternate sources for the information and are they useful? If so, what are their weaknesses and/or strengths?

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or

included in the request for OMB approval of the form. They also will become a matter of public record.

Statutory Authority: Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

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Jay H. Casselberry,

Agency Clearance Officer, Statistics and Methods Group, Energy Information Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL00-34-000]

ExxonMobil Chemical Company and ExxonMobil Refining & Supply Company v. Entergy Gulf States, Inc.; Notice of Complaint

January 14, 2000.

Take notice that on January 13, 2000, ExxonMobil Chemical Company and ExxonMobil Refining & Supply Company (together ExxonMobil) submitted for filing a complaint against Entergy Gulf States, Inc. (Entergy) for interpreting its Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) inconsistently with Order No. 888 and to the disadvantage of a qualifying cogeneration facility (QF) in contravention of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as amended. ExxonMobil requests that the Commission order Entergy to interpret its OATT consistent with Order No. 888 and consider all substations through which ExxonMobil's QF power is received to be a single point of receipt on Entergy's system.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this 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 385.214). All such motions or protests must be filed on or before February 2, 2000. 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 this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference

Room. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222) for assistance. Answers to the complaint shall also be due on or before February 2, 2000.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-162-000]

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

January 14, 2000.

Take notice that on January 10, 2000, Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company (Panhandle) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix A attached to the filing, to be effective February 10, 2000.

Panhandle states that the purpose of this filing, made in accordance with the provisions of Section 154.202 of the Commission's Regulations, is to implement Rate Schedule HFT for Hourly Firm Transportation service pursuant to Panhandle's blanket certificate authorization under Section 284.221 of the Commission's Regulations. Rate Schedule HFT is designed to serve the needs of electric generation customers and other shippers that require greater delivery flexibility within the gas day than other rate schedules provide.

Panhandle states that copies of this filing are being served on all affected customers and applicable state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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 proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public