

18. MidAmerican Energy Company

[Docket No. ER00-3231-000]

Take notice that on July 20, 2000, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican), tendered for filing with the Commission a Notice of Cancellation pursuant to Section 35.15 of the Commission's regulations. MidAmerican requests that the following rate schedule be canceled effective as of 11:59 p.m. on May 31, 1998:

1. Full Requirements Power Agreement dated July 6, 1988, between Iowa Public Service Company (a predecessor company of MidAmerican) and City of Estherville, Iowa. This Agreement has been designated as MidAmerican Service Agreement No. 4 under FERC Electric Tariff No. 7.

MidAmerican requests a waiver of Section 35.15 to the extent that this Notice of Cancellation has not been filed within the time required by such section. MidAmerican inadvertently failed to submit the Notice of Cancellation upon expiration of the agreement under its own terms.

MidAmerican has mailed a copy of this filing to City of Estherville, Iowa, the Iowa Utilities Board, the Illinois Commerce Commission and the South Dakota Public Utilities commission.

Comment date: August 10, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Southern Company Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER00-3232-000]

Take notice that on July 20, 2000, Southern Company Services, Inc. (SCS), on behalf of Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company, Mississippi Power Company, and Savannah Electric and Power Company (Southern Companies), tendered for filing a Notice of Cancellation of the following rate schedules:

1. Service Schedule B (Short Term Power) and Service Schedule C (Economy Interchange) to the Interchange Service Contract dated March 18, 1996 by and between Tampa Electric Company, Southern Companies, and SCS (FERC Rate Schedule—Southern Operating Cos. No. 93).

2. Service Schedule B (Short Term Power) and Service Schedule C (Economy Interchange) to the Interchange Service Contract dated February 9, 1996 by and between Western Gas Resources Power Marketing, Inc., Southern Companies, and SCS (FERC Rate Schedule—Southern Operating Cos. No. 88).

3. Service Schedule B (Short Term Power) and Service Schedule C

(Economy Interchange) to the Interchange Contract dated June 30, 1991 by and between Cajun Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., Southern Companies, and SCS (FERC Rate Schedule—Southern Operating Cos. No. 76).

4. Service Schedule B (Short Term Power) and Service Schedule C (Economy Interchange) to the Interchange Contract dated December 18, 1991 by and between Duke Power Company, Southern Companies, and SCS (FERC Rate Schedule—Southern Operating Cos. No. 77).

5. Service Schedule B (Short Term Power) and Service Schedule C (Economy Interchange) to the Interchange Service Contract dated November 3, 1995 by and between Koch Power Services Inc., Southern Companies, and SCS (FERC Rate Schedule—Southern Operating Cos. No. 82).

6. Service Schedule C (Economy Interchange) to the Interchange Contract dated December 22, 1988 by and between Florida Power Corporation, Southern Companies, and SCS (FERC Rate Schedule—Southern Operating Cos. No. 70).

7. Service Schedule B (Short Term Power) and Service Schedule C (Economy Interchange) to the Interchange Service Contract dated February 9, 1996 by and between Intercoast Power Marketing Company, Southern Companies, and SCS (FERC Rate Schedule—Southern Operating Cos. No. 90).

These service schedules set forth the general terms and conditions governing certain transactions for Short Term Power and Economy Interchange service between Southern Companies and the above referenced parties, including the sale of such services by Southern Companies. Each of these service schedules has been terminated by the mutual agreement of the respective parties to each interchange contract listed above because such parties no longer desire to conduct transactions under such service schedules.

Comment date: August 10, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such 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 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. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6842-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities; PCBs: Consolidated Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements; Submission to OMB

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of submission to OMB.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) entitled: "PCBs: Consolidated Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements" (EPA ICR No. 1446.07, OMB No. 2070-0112) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to the OMB procedures in 5 CFR 1320.12. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated cost and burden. The Agency is requesting that OMB renew for 3 years the existing approval for this ICR, which is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2001. A **Federal Register** notice announcing the Agency's intent to seek the renewal of this ICR and the 60-day public comment opportunity, requesting comments on the request and the contents of the ICR, was issued on January 10, 2000 (65 FR 1366). EPA received no comments on this ICR during the comment period.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before August 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 1446.07 and OMB Control No. 2070-0112, to the following addresses: Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Collection Strategies Division (Mail

Code 2822), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20460; And to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone on (202) 260-2740, by e-mail: "farmer.sandy@epa.gov," or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr/icr.htm> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1446.07.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Review Requested: This is a request to renew and consolidate currently approved information collections pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12.

ICR Numbers: EPA ICR No. 1446.07; OMB Control No. 2070-0112.

Title: PCBs: Consolidated Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements.

Abstract: Section 6(e)(1) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), 15 U.S.C. 2605(e), directs EPA to regulate the marking and disposal of PCBs. Section 6(e)(2) bans the manufacturing, processing, distribution in commerce, and use of PCBs in other than a totally enclosed manner. Section 6(e)(3) establishes a process for obtaining exemptions from the prohibitions on the manufacture, processing, and distribution in commerce of PCBs. Since 1978, EPA has promulgated numerous rules addressing all aspects of the life cycle of PCBs as required by the statute. The regulations are intended to prevent the improper handling and disposal of PCBs and to minimize the exposure of human beings or the environment to PCBs. These regulations have been codified in the various subparts of 40 CFR part 761. There are approximately 100 specific reporting, third-party reporting, and recordkeeping requirements covered by 40 CFR part 761.

To meet its statutory obligations to regulate PCBs, EPA must obtain sufficient information to conclude that specified activities do not result in an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment. EPA uses the information collected under the 40 CFR part 761 requirements to ensure that PCBs are managed in an environmentally safe manner and that activities are being conducted in compliance with the PCB regulations. The information collected by these requirements will update the Agency's knowledge of ongoing PCB activities, ensure that individuals using or disposing of PCBs are held accountable for their activities, and demonstrate compliance with the PCB regulations.

Specific uses of the information collected include determining the efficacy of a disposal technology; evaluating exemption requests and exclusion notices; targeting compliance inspections; and ensuring adequate storage capacity for PCB waste.

This ICR consolidates six separate existing ICRs that address PCB reporting and recordkeeping requirements. Detailed discussions of the existing ICRs and how their associated reporting and/or recordkeeping burdens have changed as a result of the final rule are found in the supporting statement for the information collection that is the subject of this notice.

Responses to the collection of information are mandatory (see 40 CFR part 761). Respondents may claim all or part of a document confidential. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14 and 40 CFR part 2.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.57 hours per response for an estimated 1,300,240 respondents making one or more submissions of information annually. These estimates include 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. No person is required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for these regulations are displayed in 40 CFR part 9.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are companies that currently possess PCB Items, PCB-contaminated equipment, or other PCB waste.

Estimated Total No. of Respondents: 1,300,240.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden: 741,261 hours.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Changes in Burden Estimates: This consolidation of six existing ICRs, the burden for which totals 2,007,618 hours, will result in a net reduction of 1,266,357 hours. This reduction reflects

numerous factors, including program changes and adjustments to the burdens of specific existing reporting or recordkeeping requirements, and is described in detail in the ICR.

According to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12, EPA has submitted this ICR to OMB for review and approval. Any comments related to the renewal of this ICR should be submitted within 30 days of this notice, as described above.

Dated: July 20, 2000.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6843-2]

Notice of Public Meeting on Drinking Water Source Contamination Prevention

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water is holding a meeting on September 11, 2000 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Alexandria, Virginia to discuss the development of a national drinking water source contamination prevention strategy. With this strategy, EPA intends to develop a national vision for preventing contamination of the lakes, rivers, springs and aquifers that serve as public drinking water sources. This strategy will guide future prevention activities, identify meaningful measures to track progress toward this vision, and identify approaches to data management. All interested public are invited to participate and provide input on the future direction of this part of the national drinking water program.

Background

Drinking water source contamination prevention means that mechanisms are in place that significantly lower the likelihood of contaminants of concern entering waters that serve as public drinking water supplies, or that are likely to be used as a drinking water supply in the future. It is an important first step to providing safe drinking water to the public.

EPA is writing this strategy as a follow-up to the input received through public forums held during 1999. Public comments indicated that there needs to be: