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Dated: September 17, 2012.

**Deborah S. Delisle,**

*Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education.*

**George Sheldon,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Oak Ridge Reservation

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Oak Ridge Reservation. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Wednesday, October 10, 2012, 6:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Department of Energy Information Center, Office of Science and Technical Information, 1 Science.gov Way, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37830.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Melyssa P. Noe, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM-90, Oak Ridge, TN 37831. Phone (865) 241-3315; Fax (865) 576-0956 or email: [noemp@oro.doe.gov](mailto:noemp@oro.doe.gov) or check the Web site at [www.oakridge.doe.gov/em/ssab](http://www.oakridge.doe.gov/em/ssab).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE-EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

#### Tentative Agenda

- Welcome and Announcements
- Comments from the Deputy Designated Federal Officer
- Comments from the DOE, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, and Environmental Protection Agency Liaisons
- Public Comment Period
- Presentation: Accumulated Waste Disposition Activity
- Additions/Approval of Agenda
- Motions/Approval of September Meeting Minutes
- Status of Recommendations with DOE
- Committee Reports
- Federal Coordinator Report
- Adjourn

Public Participation: The EM SSAB, Oak Ridge, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Melyssa P. Noe at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to the agenda item should contact Melyssa P. Noe at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Melyssa P. Noe at the address and phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://www.oakridge.doe.gov/em/ssab/minutes.htm>.

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**LaTanya R. Butler,**

*Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Energy Information Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Extension

**AGENCY:** Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Information collection extension; notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** EIA, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, proposes to extend without changes for three years the Form DOE-887, "DOE Customer Surveys" with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) 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; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before November 19, 2012. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be sent to Colleen Blessing, EI-40, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585, or by fax at (202) 586-0114, or by email at [colleen.blessing@eia.gov](mailto:colleen.blessing@eia.gov). Alternatively, Colleen Blessing may be contacted by telephone at (202) 586-6482.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Colleen Blessing at the address listed, above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This information collection request contains:

- (1) OMB No.: 1901-0302;
- (2) Information Collection Request Title: "DOE Customer Surveys;"
- (3) Type of Request: Three-year extension without changes;

(4) *Purpose*: The DOE-887, "DOE Customer Surveys," data collection involves contacting users of The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) products or other services, and individuals or businesses in partnership agreements with DOE. These customers are contacted to determine their needs and also the methods by which DOE can improve its products and services to better meet these needs. DOE customer surveys are conducted by EIA primarily using Web-based questionnaires to collect the customer feedback data.

Customer information is needed to make DOE products and services more effective, efficient, and less costly. Data from some customer surveys may also help develop benchmarks to evaluate DOE customer service performance.

Both quantitative and qualitative studies are developed by EIA. Quantitative studies classify and count questionnaire response items and examine the statistical significance of response types in attempting to explain what is observed. EIA conducts quantitative studies in asking questions concerning satisfaction with timeliness, courtesy, accuracy and other particular aspects of the agency's operations. Qualitative studies seek to find patterns in the words and actions of study participants and involve these participants providing detailed descriptions, in their own words. Examples of qualitative studies conducted by EIA include a focus group of customers assembled to discuss a specific set of questions, and a cognitive laboratory experiment that asks volunteer subjects to describe their opinions regarding a product or service;

(5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents*: 50,000;

(6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses*: 50,000;

(7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours*: 12,500 hours (50,000 respondents times 1 response per year, times .25 hours per response);

(8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden*: There are not any anticipated reporting or recordkeeping costs for these surveys;

**Statutory Authority**: Executive Order 12862 § 1, 58 FR 48257 (Sept. 11, 1993).

Issued in Washington, DC, on September 14, 2012.

**Stephanie Brown,**

*Director, Office of Survey Development and Statistical Integration, Energy Information Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC12-20-000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-912); Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY**: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION**: Notice of information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY**: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection, FERC-912, Cogeneration and Small Power Production, PURPA Section 210(m) Regulations for Termination or Reinstatement of Obligation to Purchase or Sell.

**DATES**: Comments on the collection of information are due November 19, 2012.

**ADDRESSES**: You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC12-20-000) by either of the following methods:

- *eFiling at Commission's Web Site*: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.
- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier*:

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

**Instructions**: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 for TTY.

**Docket**: Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov), telephone at (202) 502-8663, and fax at (202) 273-0873.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title**: FERC-912, Cogeneration and Small Power Production, PURPA Section 210(m) Regulations for Termination or Reinstatement of Obligation to Purchase or Sell

**OMB Control No.**: 1902-0237

**Type of Request**: Three-year extension of the FERC-912 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

**Abstract**: On 8/8/2005, the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct 2005)<sup>1</sup> was signed into law. Section 1253(a) of EPAct 2005 amends Section 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA) by adding subsection "(m)" that provides for the termination and reinstatement of an electric utility's obligation to purchase and sell energy and capacity. 18 CFR 292.309-292.313 are the implementing regulations that provide procedures for:

- An electric utility to file an application for the termination of its obligation to purchase energy from a Qualifying Facility (QF)<sup>2</sup>;
- An affected entity or person to apply to the Commission for an order reinstating the electric utility's obligation to purchase energy from a QF<sup>3</sup>;
- An electric utility to file an application for the termination of its obligation to sell energy and capacity to QFs<sup>4</sup>; and
- An affected entity or person to apply to the Commission for an order reinstating the electric utility's obligation to sell energy and capacity to QFs<sup>5</sup>.

**Type of Respondents**: FERC-jurisdictional electric utilities.

**Estimate of Annual Burden**<sup>6</sup>: The Commission estimates the total Public Reporting Burden for this information collection as:

<sup>1</sup> Public Law 109-58, 119 Stat. 594 (2005)

<sup>2</sup> Contained within 18 CFR 292.310.

<sup>3</sup> Contained within 18 CFR 292.311.

<sup>4</sup> Contained within 18 CFR 292.312.

<sup>5</sup> Contained within 18 CFR 292.313.

<sup>6</sup> The Commission defines burden as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.