

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Resources Group, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 19, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Director of the Information Resources Group publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is

this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department, (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner, (3) is the estimate of burden accurate, (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: June 13, 1996.

Gloria Parker,
Director, Information Resources Group.

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: Lender's Participation Questionnaire (LPQ).

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 100.

Burden Hours: 17.

Abstract: The Lender's Participation Questionnaire is submitted by lenders who are eligible for reimbursement of interest and special allowance, as well as Federal Insured Student Loan (FISL) claims payment, under the Federal Family Education Loan Program. The information will be used by ED to update Lender Identification Numbers (LIDs), lender names, addresses with 9 digit zip codes, and other pertinent information.

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Lender's Interest and Special Allowance Request.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 10,544.

Burden Hours: 102,804.

Abstract: The Lender's Interest and Special Allowance Request and Report (ED Form 799) is used by approximately 9,000 lenders participating in the Title IV, Part B loan programs. The ED Form 799 is used to pay interest and special allowance to holders of the Part B loans; and to capture quarterly data from a lender's loan portfolio for financial and budgetary projections.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE DOCKET NO. EA-115]

Application to Export Electricity; Enron Power Marketing, Inc.

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: Enron Power Marketing, Inc., (EPMI) has requested authorization to export electric energy to Canada. EPMI is a marketer of electric energy. It does not own or control any electric generation or transmission facilities.

DATES: Comments, protests, or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before July 19, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests, or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Electricity (FE-52), Office of Fuels Programs, Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William H. Freeman (Program Office) 202-586-5883 or Michael T. Skinner (Program Attorney) 202-586-6667.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On June 3, 1996, EPMI filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) for authorization to export electric energy to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the FPA. EPMI neither owns nor controls any facilities for the transmission or distribution of electricity, nor does it have a franchised retail service area. Rather, EPMI is a power marketer authorized by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to engage in the wholesale sale of electricity in interstate commerce at negotiated rates pursuant to its filed rate schedules.

In its application, EPMI proposes to sell electric energy to Canadian entities and specifically requests that the proposed export authorization be issued without a time limit. The electric energy EPMI proposes to transmit to Canada would be purchased from electric utilities and Federal power marketing agencies in the United States. EPMI asserts that the energy to be exported to Canada would be surplus to the energy requirements of the selling utilities or electric generators from which it is purchased in the U.S. EPMI would arrange for the exported energy to be wheeled from the selling entities, over

existing domestic transmission facilities, and delivered to the foreign	purchaser over one or more of the following international transmission	lines for which Presidential permits (PP) have been previously issued:		
Presidential permit holder		Permit No.	Voltage (kV)	Location
Basin Electric Coop.		PP-64	230	Tioga, ND.
Bonneville Power Admin.		PP-10	2-500	Blaine, WA.
		PP-36	230	Nelway, BC.
		PP-46	230	Nelway, BC.
Citizens Utilities		PP-66	120	Derby Line, VT.
Detroit Edison		PP-36	345	St. Clair, MI.
		PP-21	230	Marysville, MI.
		230	Detroit, MI.
		PP-58	345	St. Clair, MI.
Eastern Maine Electric Coop.		PP-32	69	Calais, ME.
Joint Owners of Highgate		PP-82	345	Franklin, VT.
Maine Electric Power Co.		PP-43	345	Houlton, ME.
Maine Public Service		PP-12	69	Limestone, ME.
		69	Ft. Fairfield, ME.
		PP-29	138	Aroostock, ME.
		2-69	Madawaska, ME.
Minnesota Power & Light		PP-78	115	Intl. Falls, MN.
Minnkota Power		PP-61	230	Roseau County, MN.
New York Power Authority		PP-30	230	Devil's Hole, NY.
		PP-74	2-345	Niagara Falls, NY.
		PP-56	765	Fort Covington, NY.
		PP-25	2-230	Massena, NY.
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp		PP-31	230	Devil's Hole, NY.
Northern States Power		PP-45	230	Red River, ND.
		PP-63	500	Roseau County, MN.
Vermont Electric Trans. Co.		PP-76	450	DC Norton, VT.

Any determination by the DOE to grant the request by EPMI for export authorization would be conditioned on EPMI obtaining access to all transmission facilities necessary to effectuate the export and on EPMI complying with all reliability criteria, standards, and guidelines of the North American Electric Reliability Council and Regional Councils.

Procedural Matters

Any persons desiring to be heard or to protest this application should file a petition to intervene or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of such petitions and protests should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above. Additional copies are to be filed directly with: Ms. Kathleen E. Magruder, Enron Capital & Trade Resources, 1400 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77251-1188 and Mr. David B. Ward, Flood & Ward, 1000 Potomac Street, N.W., Suite 402, Washington, D.C. 20007.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), and a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above.

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Anthony J. Como,

Director, Office of Coal & Electricity, Office of Fuels Programs, Office of Fossil Energy.

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Morgantown Energy Technology Center; Partnering Opportunity Announcement

AGENCY: U. S. Department of Energy (DOE), Morgantown Energy Technology Center.

ACTION: Notice of Partnering Opportunity Announcement.

SUMMARY: The Morgantown Energy Technology Center (METC) is offering partnering opportunities with United States companies in the area of sorbent development/commercialization. Many different vehicles for partnering may be considered, including licensing and/or Cooperative Research and Development Agreements (CRADAs). CRADAs will probably be limited to the area of sorbent development/commercialization for hot gas desulfurization. CRADAs offer private sector participants the opportunity to share in outcomes of development activities and also offer the

option for protection of CRADA-generated data. These agreements do require the participant to share in the cost and do not involve direct METC funding of the participant's activities.

METC desires to work with a partner for the purpose of bringing a supported/matrixed hot gas desulfurization sorbent to large-scale commercialization. This sorbent, designated as the TL sorbent, has been prepared and tested at the laboratory scale at METC. The TL sorbent shows good sulfur capacity, high sulfur removal efficiency, and long-term physical durability. It requires no activation or pretreatment step, which is an improvement over previously developed sorbents. A provisional patent application has been submitted for this METC-developed sorbent. The overall objective of this development effort has been to qualify sorbents for demonstration in commercial-scale projects, which are demonstrating Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC) technologies.

The utility industry and METC agree that IGCC technologies being demonstrated under the Clean Coal Technology program will play a significant role in supplying electricity during the next century. As the markets for such technologies expand to replace today's older plants and to supply demand for additional electricity, the sales of cost-effective, hot gas sulfur removal sorbents and related process systems promise to be substantial. The