Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that 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.

Dated: August 22, 2001.

John Tressler,

Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: School Renovation, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and Technology Grant Application.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 150; Burden Hours: 300.

Abstract: ED will use the information collected through this application to award grants to approximately 150 local educational agenices that serve high proportions of children living on Indian lands. The information will also be used to describe to the Congress and the public how these grants are being used.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from http://edicsweb.ed.gov, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202–4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202–708–9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Kathy Axt at (540) 776–7742 or via her internet address *Kathy.Axt@ed.gov.* Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Study of Potential Sites for the Deployment of New Nuclear Power Plants in the United States

AGENCY: Idaho Operations Office, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of availability of solicitation.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, is seeking applications from U.S. nuclear utilities/power generating companies to conduct an Early Site Permit scoping study of potential sites for the deployment of new nuclear power plants in the United States. The intention of this study is to determine the activities, schedule and resource requirements for demonstration of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Early Site Permit Application licensing process at the preferred site.

DATES: The deadline for receipt of applications is 4:00 p.m. EST on October 15, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The formal solicitation document will be disseminated electronically as Solicitation Number DE-PS07-01ID14135, Study of Potential Sites for the Deployment of New Nuclear Power Plants in the United States, through the Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) located at the following URL: http://ecenter.doe.gov. IIPS provides the medium for disseminating solicitations, receiving financial assistance applications and evaluating the applications in a paperless environment. Completed applications are required to be submitted via IIPS. Individuals who have the authority to enter their company into a legally binding contract/agreement and intend to submit proposals/applications via the IIPS system must register and receive confirmation that they are registered prior to being able to submit an application on the IIPS system. An IIPS "User Guide for Contractors" can be obtained by going to the IIPS Homepage at the following URL: http://ecenter.doe.gov and then clicking on the "Help" button. Questions regarding the operation of IIPS may be e-mailed to the IIPS Help Desk at IIPS HelpDesk@ecenter.doe.gov or call the help desk at (800) 683-0751.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carol Van Lente, Contract Specialist, at vanlencl@id.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The authorizing statutes for this program are: Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2011 *et seq.*), as amended and Public

Law 95–91, Department of Energy Organization Act of 1977. Approximately \$700,000 in federal funds is expected to be available to conduct this scoping study. DOE anticipates making at least one or more cooperative agreement awards with a project performance period of approximately six months.

Issued in Idaho Falls on August 20, 2001. **R.J. Hoyles**,

Director, Procurement Services Division.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Oak Ridge Operations Office; Certification of the Radiological Condition of the Former Baker Brothers Site in Toledo, Ohio, and Ottawa Lake Vicinity Property in Ottawa Lake, Michigan, 1994 and 1995

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE), Oak Ridge Operations (ORO) Office of Environmental Management.

ACTION: Notice of certification.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy has completed remedial actions to decontaminate the former Baker Brothers Site in Toledo, Ohio, and associated vicinity property in Ottawa Lake, Michigan. Formerly, the properties were found to contain quantities of residual radioactive material resulting from activities conducted by DOE or its predecessors at the former Baker Brothers, Inc., company. Based on the analysis of all data collected, DOE has concluded that any residual radiological contamination remaining onsite at the conclusion of DOE's remedial action falls within radiological guidelines in effect at the conclusion of such remedial action.

ADDRESSES: The certification docket is available at the following locations:

- U.S. Department of Energy, Public Reading Room, Room 1E–190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585
- U.S. Department of Energy, Public Reading Room, Oak Ridge Operations Office, 200 Administration Road, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831
- Toledo-Lucas County Public Library, Kent Branch, 3101 Collingwood Boulevard, Toledo, Ohio 43610 Office of the Whiteford Township Cle
- Office of the Whiteford Township Clerk, 5063 Consear Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan 49267

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert G. Atkin, Project Engineer, Office of Assistant Manager for Environmental

Management, Oak Ridge Operations Office, U.S. Department of Energy, P.O. Box 2001, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831, (865) 576–1826 Fax: (865) 574–4724.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOE, ORO Office of Environmental Management, has conducted remedial actions at the former Baker Brothers site in Toledo, Ohio, and associated vicinity property in Ottawa Lake, Michigan, under the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP). The objective of the program is to identify and remediate or otherwise control sites where residual radioactive contamination remains from activities carried out under contract to the Manhattan Engineer District/Atomic Energy Commission (MED/AEC) during the early years of the nation's atomic energy program.

In October 1997, the U.S. Congress assigned responsibility for management of the program to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). Completion of the Certification process was delayed pending preparation of a Memorandum of Understanding between the DOE and USACE with regard to completed, remediated sites such as Baker Brothers and its vicinity property. The Memorandum of Understanding between the U.S. DOE and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regarding Program Administration and Execution of the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program was signed by the parties in March 1999. Funding to proceed with the completion of DOE closure documentation for several FUSRAP sites, including Baker Brothers, was obtained from USACE in late 2000.

During the early and mid-1940s, Baker Brothers, Inc., machined natural (neither enriched nor depleted) uranium metal slugs from processed uranium metals under subcontract to MED for both Clinton Semi-Works in East Tennessee and the Hanford nuclear reactor complex in Washington State. The amount of material machined by Baker Brothers has been estimated from historical documents at 90 to 300 tons.

After the subcontract termination in 1944, the Baker Brothers property was decontaminated to comply with guidelines in effect at the time. Because the Baker Brothers uranium metal machining was related to AEC activities, a preliminary survey of existing conditions was conducted in 1989 by members of the Measurement Applications and Development Group at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) at the request of DOE. Results of that survey indicated localized areas of residual uranium contamination

above the current guidelines. Consequently, the former Baker Brothers property was resurveyed in September 1992 and recommended for inclusion in FUSRAP. In November 1992, the former Baker Brothers site and Ottawa Lake vicinity property were designated for cleanup under FUSRAP.

In 1944, when the Baker Brothers assets were liquidated, the machinery and equipment were sold at a public auction, and the property was divided and sold to two independent interests. The northern part of the property was resold in the summer of 1992. The new owner of this portion of the property contacted ORNL and inquired about the radiological status of the property. Through this conversation ORNL learned that soil and debris potentially contaminated with residual uranium from the former Baker Brothers site had been moved to 4400 Piehl Road in Ottawa Lake, Michigan, for use as fill material.

A 1992 ORNL radiological investigation of the former Baker Brothers site revealed that 90 to 100 dump-truck loads of potentially contaminated soils and debris had been used for fill material at 4400 Piehl Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan. The residential property (the Ottawa Lake site) was then added to FUSRAP as a vicinity property of the former Baker Brothers site that potentially contained residual uranium materials. DOE conducted remedial actions at the former Baker Brothers site from April 1995 to September 1995 and at the Ottawa Lake property from October 1994 to January 1995.

Post-remedial action surveys conducted in 1994 and 1995 have demonstrated and DOE has certified that the subject properties are in compliance with the Department's radiological decontamination criteria and standards in effect at the conclusion of the remedial action. The standards are established to protect members of the general public and occupants of the properties and to ensure that future use of the properties will result in no radiological exposure above then applicable guidelines. These findings are supported by DOE's Certification Docket for the Remedial Action Performed at the Former Baker Brothers, Inc., Site and Ottawa Lake Vicinity Property. DOE makes no representation regarding the condition of the subject properties as a result of activities conducted subsequent to DOE's postremedial action surveys.

The Certification docket will be available for review between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except federal holidays) in the Department's Public Reading Room located in Room 1E–190 of the Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585. Copies of the certification docket also will be available in the DOE Public Reading Room, U.S. Department of Energy, Oak Ridge Operations Office, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831; at the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library, Kent Branch, 3101 Collingwood Boulevard, Toledo, Ohio 43610; and at the Office of the Whiteford Township Clerk, 5063 Consear Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan 49267.

DOE, through the Oak Ridge Operations Office of Environmental Management, Oak Ridge Reservation Remediation Management Group, has issued the following statements:

Statement of Certification: Former Baker Brothers Site (Romanoff Property)

The Department of Energy (DOE), Oak Ridge Operations (ORO) Office of Environmental Management, Oak Ridge Reservation (ORR) Remediation Management Group, has reviewed and analyzed the radiological data obtained following remedial action at the former Baker Brothers, Inc., site (parcels identified as Nos. 24, 25, and 26 in the Detroit Avenue Addition, as derived from Deed Book 2091, Page 89 and Document 16005, Microfiche 92-479B01 in the records of Lucas County, Ohio). Based on analysis of all data collected, including post-remedial action surveys, DOE certifies that any residual contamination remaining onsite at the time remedial actions were completed falls within the guidelines, in effect at the conclusion of remedial action, for use of the site without radiological restrictions. This certification of compliance provides assurance that reasonably foreseeable future use of the property will result in no radiological exposure above radiological guidelines, in effect at the conclusion of the remedial action, for protecting members of the general public as well as occupants of the site. Property owned by: Richard B.

Romanoff and Jack Romanoff, Jr., P.O. Box 699, Toledo, Ohio 43697

Statement of Certification: Former Baker Brothers Site (Beat Property)

The Department of Energy (DOE), Oak Ridge Operations (ORO) Office of Environmental Management, Oak Ridge Reservation (ORR) Remediation Management Group, has reviewed and analyzed the radiological data obtained following remedial action at the former Baker Brothers, Inc. site (parcel identified as No. 40 in the Detroit Avenue Addition, in Deed Book 5145,

page 95-154C12, in the records of Lucas County, Ohio). Based on analysis of all data collected, including post-remedial action surveys, DOE certifies that any residual contamination remaining onsite at the time remedial actions were completed falls within the guidelines, in effect at the conclusion of remedial action, for use of the site without radiological restrictions. This certification of compliance provides assurance that reasonably foreseeable future use of the property will result in no radiological exposure above radiological guidelines, in effect at the conclusion of the remedial action, established to protect members of the general public as well as occupants of the site.

Property owned by: Douglas N. Beat, and Patricia S. Beat 2940 Spring Water Drive, Toledo, Ohio 43617

Statement of Certification: Former Baker Brothers Site Ottawa Lake Vicinity Property

The Department of Energy (DOE), Oak Ridge Operations (ORO) Office of Environmental Management, Oak Ridge Reservation (ORR) Remediation Management Group, has reviewed and analyzed the radiological data obtained following remedial action at the Ottawa Lake vicinity property (Parcel No. 5815– 013-006-40 filed in Deed Book 1000, Page 564 in the records of Monroe County, Michigan). Based on analysis of all data collected, including postremedial action surveys, DOE certifies that any residual contamination remaining onsite at the time remedial actions were completed falls within the guidelines, in effect at the conclusion of remedial action, for use of the property without radiological restrictions. This certification of compliance provides assurance that reasonably foreseeable future use of the property will result in no radiological exposure above radiological guidelines, in effect at the conclusion of the remedial action, for protecting members of the general public as well as occupants of the site.

Property owned by: Frank Vitale and Janet L. Vitale, 4400 Piehl Road, Ottawa Lake, Michigan 49267–9731

Issued in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, on August 15, 2001.

William M. Seay,

Group Leader, ORR Remediation Management Group.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP01-428-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company, Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP; Notice of Joint Application

August 21, 2001.

Take notice that on August 16, 2001, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street. Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1000, and Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP (Gulf South), 20 East Greenway Plaza, Houston, Texas 77046-2002, filed in Docket No. CP01-428-000, a joint application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, and the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), requesting permission and approval to abandon service under an individually certificated exchange agreement, all as more fully set forth in the joint application which is on file with the Commission, and open to public inspection. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Specifically, Northern and Gulf South, formerly United Gas Pipe Line Company and Koch Gateway Pipe Line Company, propose to abandon Rate Schedules X–79 and X–129 contained in their respective FERC Gas Tariffs, Original Volumes No. 2. The agreement has terminated pursuant to its terms.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Keith L. Petersen, Director, Certificates and Reporting for Northern, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, or Kyle Stephens, Director of Certificates, at (713) 544–7309, for Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP, 20 East Greenway Plaza, Houston, Texas 77046–2002.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said application should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in 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 the protestants parties

to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding must file a motion to intervene. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission on this application if no protest or motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein. At that time, the Commission, on its own review of the matter, will determine whether granting the Abandonment is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a petition for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Northern or Gulf South to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER01-1896-001]

Tampa Electric Company; Notice of Filing

August 21, 2001.

Take notice that on August 3, 2001, Tampa Electric Company tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) a notice of withdrawal of its compliance filing of June 29, 2001 in the abovecaptioned proceeding.

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, NE, Washington, DC 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 and protests should be filed on or before August 31, 2001. Protests will be considered by the