

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: May 13, 1996.

Gloria Parker,

Director, Information Resources Group.

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Fulbright-Hays Training Grants: Faculty Research Abroad Program and Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping

Hour Burden:

Responses: 805.

Burden Hours: 27,200.

Abstract: This application allows individual graduate student and faculty members to compete for Fulbright-Hays fellowships and enables the Department of Education to make awards to U.S. institutions of higher education to develop and improve modern foreign language and area studies.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Fossil Energy

[Docket No. FE C&E 96-03—Certification Notice-151]

Mid-Georgia Cogen, L.P.; Notice of Filing of Coal Capability Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Filing.

SUMMARY: On May 2, 1996, Mid-Georgia Cogen, L.P., submitted a coal capability self-certification pursuant to section 201 of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978, as amended.

ADDRESSES: Copies of self-certification filings are available for public inspection, upon request, in the Office of Fuels Programs, Fossil Energy, Room 3F-056, FE-52, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Russell at (202) 586-9624.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title II of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978 (FUA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 8301 et seq.), provides that no new baseload electric powerplant may be constructed or operated without the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel as a primary energy source. In order to meet the requirement of coal capability, the owner or operator of such facilities proposing to use natural gas or petroleum as its primary energy source shall certify, pursuant to FUA section 201(d), to the Secretary of Energy prior to construction, or prior to operation as a base load powerplant, that such powerplant has the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel. Such certification establishes compliance with section 201(a) as of the date filed with the Department of Energy. The Secretary is required to publish a notice in the Federal Register that a certification has been filed. The following owner/operator of a proposed new baseload powerplant has filed a self-certification in accordance with section 201(d).

Owner: Mid-Georgia Cogen, L.P.

Operator: Mid-Georgia Cogen, L.P.

Location: Houston County, Georgia.

Plant Configuration: Combined cycle—topping cycle cogeneration.

Capacity: 323 megawatts.

Fuel: Natural gas.

Purchasing Entities: Georgia Power Company.

In-Service Date: March 1, 1998.

Issued in Washington, D.C., May 13, 1996.

Anthony J. Como,

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

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Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Notice of Intent To Provide Optional Prescreening Process for the National Industrial Competitiveness Through Energy, Environment and Economics (NICE³) Program

AGENCY: The Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of intent to provide optional prescreening process for

potential applicants under the DOE NICE³ program solicitation.

Presolicitation: In September, the DOE's Office of Industrial Technologies will issue its FY 1997 competitive solicitation under DOE's NICE³ program to fund innovative industrial technologies that reduce energy consumption, waste production, and operating costs. In an effort to assist perspective applicants, DOE intends to accept presolicitation submissions from potential applicants that set out a brief description of the project to be proposed under the FY 1997 solicitation. DOE's technical staff will review these brief descriptions and provide constructive feedback to the potential applicant within a two week period. This feedback can be used by a potential applicant in refining their proposal under the FY 1997 solicitation.

Background Information: The goals of the NICE³ Program are to improve energy efficiency, promote cleaner production, and to improve competitiveness in industry. The intent of the NICE³ program is to fund projects that have completed the research and development stage and are ready to demonstrate a fully integrated commercial unit. Some industrial technologies that the NICE³ project has funded follow: SO₃ Cleaning Process in the Manufacture of Semiconductors; Innovative Design of a Brick Kiln Using Low Thermal Mass Technology; Continuously Reform Electroless Nickel Plating Solutions; Recovery and Reuse of Water-Washed Overspray Paint; and HCl Acid Recovery System. For the past five years the NICE³ program has offered 47 grants (approximately \$14.8 million) to fund innovative industrial technologies.

Eligible applicants for funding under that solicitation include any authorized agency of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and any territory or possession of the United States. For convenience, the term State in this notice refers to all eligible State agency applicants. Local governments, State and private universities, private non-profits, private businesses, and individuals, who are not eligible as direct applicants, must work with the appropriate State agencies in developing projects and forming participation arrangements. DOE strongly encourages and requires these types of cooperative arrangements in support of program goals.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number assigned to this program is 81.105. Up to \$9 million in Federal funds will be made available by

DOE for the 1997 solicitation. Cost sharing is required by all participants. The Federal Government will provide up to 40 percent of the funds for the project in FY 1997. The remaining funds must be provided by the eligible applicants and/or cooperating project participants. In addition to direct financial contributions, cost sharing can include beneficial services or items, such as manpower equipment, consultants, and computer time that are allowable in accordance with applicable cost principles. The state applicant is required to have an industrial partner to be considered eligible for grant consideration.

Presolicitation: This notice is to advise potential applicants to the FY 1997 solicitation that DOE will accept presolicitation submissions that set out that a brief description of the potential project. The submissions should not exceed two pages and should adhere to the format laid out in the preproposal format. This format can be obtained by calling the U.S. Department of Energy's Golden Field Office contacts (listed below). All preproposals submission will be reviewed by NICE³ project monitors at the Golden Field Office. The monitors will provide comments to the submitter on the proposed project's applicability to the NICE³ program. In addition, the reviewers will provide feedback which the applicant can use to formulate and refine their proposal.

The submission of a presolicitation description is not mandatory for submitting an application under the FY 1997 solicitation. DOE reviews and comments under the presolicitation process will not be used by DOE in evaluating or awarding applications under the FY 1997 solicitation. The only purpose of the presolicitation process is to assist potential applicants, who may need assistance, in refining their application.

DATES: A brief description of the proposed project can be submitted to the Golden Field Office on or before August 2, 1996. All summaries must be submitted through a state agency.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric Hass, at (303) 275-4728, or Doug Hooker, at (303) 275-4780, at the U.S. Department of Energy Golden Field Office, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, Colorado 80401, for referral to appropriate DOE Regional Support Office or State Agency and to receive a copy of the format for the brief description. In addition, the format for the brief description and a list of participating state agencies can be located on the internet at WWW.nrel.gov/documents/nice3. The

Contract Specialist is James Damm, at (303) 275-4744, and the Contracting Officer is Robert Brown, at (404) 347-2879.

Issued in Golden, Colorado, on May 9, 1996.

John Meeker,

Chief, Procurement.

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Energy Information Administration

Agency Information Collections Under Review by the Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of request submitted for review by the Office of Management and Budget.

SUMMARY: The Energy Information Administration (EIA) has submitted an energy information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review under provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments must be filed by June 17, 1996. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within the time allowed by this notice, you should advise the OMB DOE Desk Officer listed below of your intention to do so as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at (202) 395-3084. (Also, please notify the EIA contact listed below.)

ADDRESSES: Address comments to the Department of Energy Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 726 Jackson Place, NW., Washington, DC 20503. (Comments should also be addressed to the Office of Statistical Standards at the address below.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the forms and instructions should be directed to Herbert Miller, Office of Statistical Standards, (EI-73), Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585-0670. Mr. Miller may be telephoned at (202) 426-1103; e-mail: hmiller@eia.doe.gov; (FAX 202-426-1081).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Energy Information Administration (EIA) has submitted the energy information collection listed below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review under provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13). The listing does not

include collections of information contained in new or revised regulations which are to be submitted under section 3507(d)(1)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act, nor management and procurement assistance requirements collected by the Department of Energy (DOE).

Each entry contains the following information: (1) Collection number and title; (2) summary of the collection of information (includes sponsor; i.e., the DOE component), current OMB document number (if applicable), response obligation (mandatory, voluntary, or required to obtain or retain benefits), and type of request (new, revision, extension, or reinstatement); (3) a description of the need and proposed uses of the information; (4) a description of the likely respondents; and (5) an estimate of the total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden (number of respondents per year times the average number of responses per respondent annually times the average burden per response).

The energy information collections submitted to OMB for review were:

1. Form EIA-882T, "Generic Clearance for Questionnaire Testing, Evaluation, and Research"
2. Energy Information Administration; Docket Number 1905-0186; Response Obligation—Voluntary; and Extension
3. The EIA-882T will be used to conduct pretest/pilot surveys (personal visit or face-to-face interviews, telephone interviews, mail questionnaires), focus groups, and cognitive interviews. Data will be used to modify questionnaires to improve the quality of data. Samples of respondents will be selected to participate.
4. Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Farms; Federal Government, and State, Local, or Tribal Government

5. 1,000 total annual burden hours (4,000 respondents × 1 response per respondent × .25 hours per response).

Statutory Authority: Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13).

Issued in Washington, DC, May 13, 1996.
Yvonne M. Bishop,

*Director, Office of Statistical Standards,
Energy Information Administration.*

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