

[FE Docket Nos. 96-84-NG, 96-87-NG, 96-88-NG, 96-92-NG, 96-81-NG, 96-90-NG, 96-93-NG, 96-94-NG, 96-95-NG, and 96-91-NG]

### Orders Granting Authorization To Import and/or Export Natural Gas

North American Resources Company, Westcoast Gas Services Inc., Westcoast Gas Services (America) Inc., Wascana Energy Marketing (U.S.) Inc., Tristar Gas Marketing Company, Newco US, L.P., Louis Dreyfus Energy Canada LTD., Duke/Louis Dreyfus

L.L.C., Louis Dreyfus Energy Corp., Union Pacific Fuels, Inc.

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of orders.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Fossil Energy of the Department of Energy gives notice that it has issued Orders authorizing various imports and/or exports of natural gas. These Orders are summarized in the attached appendix.

These Orders are available for inspection and copying in the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import and

Export Activities, Docket Room, 3F-056, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-9478. The Docket Room is open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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### APPENDIX—BLANKET IMPORT/EXPORT AUTHORIZATIONS GRANTED [DOE/FE Authority]

Order No.	Date issued	Importer/exporter FE docket No.	Two-year maximum		Comments
			Import volume	Export volume	
1225 .....	12/10/96	North American Resources Company (96-84-NG).	.....	73 Bcf .....	Exports combined total to Canada and Mexico.
1226 .....	12/11/96	Westcoast Gas Services Inc. (96-87-NG)	1,000 Bcf	1,000 Bcf	Imports including LNG from Canada. Exports to Canada.
1227 .....	12/11/96	Westcoast Gas Services (America) Inc. (96-88-NG).	1,000 Bcf	1,000 Bcf	Imports including LNG from Canada. Exports to Canada.
1228 .....	12/23/97	Wescana Energy Marketing (U.S.) Inc. (96-92-NG).	200 Bcf		Imports/Exports combined total to and from Canada and Mexico.
1229 .....	12/23/96	Tristar Gas Marketing Company (96-81-NG).	(1)10 Bcf	.....	Imports from Canada.
			10 Bcf		Imports/Exports combined total to and from Mexico.
1230 .....	12/23/96	Newco US, L.P. (96-90-NG) .....	1,000 Bcf	1,000 Bcf	Imports combined total from Canada and Mexico. Exports combined total to Canada and Mexico.
1231 .....	12/23/96	Louis Dreyfus Energy Canada Ltd. (96-93-NG).	200 Bcf		Import/Export including LNG combined total from and to Canada and Mexico.
1232 .....	12/23/96	Duke-Louis Dreyfus L.L.C. (96-94-NG) ....	200 Bcf		Imports/Exports including LNG combined total from and to Canada and Mexico.
1233 .....	12/23/96	Louis Dreyfus Energy Corporation (96-95-NG).	200 Bcf		Imports/Exports including LNG combined total from and to Canada and Mexico.
1234 .....	12/24/96	Union Pacific Fuels, Inc. (96-91-NG) .....	200 Bcf		Imports/Exports combined total from and to Canada and Mexico.

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### Energy Information Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Energy Information Administration, DOE

**ACTION:** Agency information collection activities: Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Energy Information Administration (EIA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of form EIA-767, "Steam-Electric Plant Operation and Design Report."

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted within 60 days of the publication of this notice. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the DOE contact listed below of your intention to do so as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to John G. Colligan, Energy Information Administration, Coal and Electric Data and Renewables Division, EI-524, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585-0650; telephone (202) 426-1174; e-mail jcolliga@EIA.DOE.GOV; and FAX (202) 426-1308).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions

should be directed to John Colligan at the address listed above.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- I. Background
- II. Current Actions
- III. Request for Comments

#### I. Background

In order to fulfill its responsibilities under the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974 (Pub. L. No. 93-275) and the Department of Energy Organization Act (Pub. L. No. 95-91), the Energy Information Administration is obliged to carry out a central, comprehensive, and unified energy data and information program. As part of this program, EIA collects, evaluates, assembles, analyzes, and disseminates data and information related to energy

resource reserves, production, demand, and technology, and related economic and statistical information relevant to the adequacy of energy resources to meet demands in the near and longer term future for the Nation's economic and social needs.

The Energy Information Administration, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden (required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13)), conducts a presurvey consultation program to provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing reporting forms. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden is minimized, reporting forms are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Also, EIA will later seek approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the collections under Section 3507(h) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13, Title 44, U.S.C. Chapter 35).

The Form EIA-767, "Steam-Electric Plant Operation and Design Report," remains an annual form that collects data on the operation and design of steam-electric plants. The form collects data required by the following sponsors: the DOE Office of Fossil Energy (FE), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The data collected on the Form EIA-767 are used to:

- Develop, assess, reform, and enforce the regulations required by the Clean Air Act, the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
- Appraise the environmental impacts of electric energy plans and projections and the impact of environmental regulations on the generation of electric power
- Determine emission trends and appraisals
- Evaluate the inventory of pollution control technology and generation technologies
- Determine the expenditures of pollution abatement and control expenditures on operating costs and revenue.

EIA is responsible for collecting and processing the data. Within EIA, the data are used to develop a comprehensive electric power data base that supports EIA models and publications. Other data users include Congress, Federal, and State agencies.

## II. Current Actions

The Energy Information Administration requests a 3-year extension with no change to the existing collection of the Form EIA-767, "Steam-Electric Plant Operation and Design Report."

## III. Request for Comments

Prospective respondents and other interested parties should comment on the actions discussed in item II. The following guidelines are provided to assist in the preparation of responses.

### General Issues

A. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency? Does the information have practical utility? Practical utility is defined as the actual usefulness of information to or for an agency, taking into account its accuracy, adequacy, reliability, timeliness, and the agency's ability to process the information it collects.

B. What enhancements can EIA make to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

### As a Potential Respondent

A. Are the instructions and definitions clear and sufficient? If not, which instructions require clarification?

B. Can data be submitted by the due date?

C. Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated to average 84 hours per response. Burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide the information.

Please comment on (1) the accuracy of our estimate and (2) how the agency could minimize the burden of the collection of information, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

D. EIA estimates that respondents will incur no additional costs for reporting other than the hours required to complete the collection. What is the estimated: (1) total dollar amount annualized for capital and start-up costs, and (2) recurring annual costs of operation and maintenance, and purchase of services associated with this data collection?

E. Do you know of any other Federal, State, or local agency that collects similar data? If you do, specify the agency, the data element(s), and the methods of collection.

### As a Potential User

A. Can you use data at the levels of detail indicated on the form?

B. For what purpose would you use the data? Be specific.

C. Are there alternate sources of data and do you use them? If so, what are their deficiencies and/or strengths?

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the form. They also will become a matter of public record.

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

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## Office of Energy Research

### Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is given of a meeting of the Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (FESAC).

**DATES:** Thursday, April 17, 1997, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Friday, April 18, 1997, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**ADDRESS:** U.S. Department of Energy, Auditorium, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, Maryland 20874.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Albert L. Opdenaker, III, Executive Assistant, Office of Fusion Energy Sciences, U.S. Department of Energy, Germantown, MD 20874, Telephone: 301-903-4941.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Purpose of the Meeting:** The Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee has been charged to review the International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor (ITER) Detailed Design Report which includes cost and schedule estimates, in order to provide its view of the adequacy of the design to meet ITER's technical objectives. This information will be used as part of the basis for a United States Government decision on whether or not to enter negotiations on the terms and conditions for an agreement for the construction, operation, exploitation, and decommissioning of ITER. The Committee has been asked to provide its view to the Department of Energy by May 1, 1997.