the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b), governing Federal statutes and regulations, and governing DoD policies/procedures.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703–692–5952.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee shall meet at the call of the Committee's Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Committee's Chairperson. The estimated number of Committee meetings is four per year.

In addition, the Designated Federal Officer is required to be in attendance at all Committee and subcommittee meetings for the entire duration of each and every meeting; however, in the absence of the Designated Federal Officer, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend the entire duration of the Committee or subcommittee meeting.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services' membership about the Committee's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services.

All written statements shall be submitted to the Designated Federal Officer for the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration. Contact information for the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services Designated Federal Officer can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database—https://www.fido.gov/ facadatabase/public.asp. The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150, will announce planned meetings of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services. The Designated Federal Officer, at that time, may provide additional guidance on the submission of written statements that are in response to the stated agenda for the planned meeting in question.

Dated: March 26, 2012.

# Aaron Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

# Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals: Standard Work Specifications for Single Family Energy Upgrades

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) requests comments on the revised version of the Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals: Standard Work Specifications for Single Family Energy Upgrades. This document is a set of work specifications applicable to energy efficiency retrofits of single family homes. These specifications are intended as a resource for any organization, company, or individual involved in energy efficiency retrofits of residential homes. This document was released for public comment in draft form on November 9, 2010. As a result of the comments received, EERE made revisions to the document for which EERE is providing an opportunity for public comment.

DATES: Comments on the Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals: Standard Work Specifications for Single Family Energy Upgrades must be received by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on April 11, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** A link to the online public comment tool can be found at: http://nrel.pnnl.gov/forumdisplay.php/5-SWS-for-Single-Family-Homes

You may also submit comments by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: http:// www.regulations.gov
- By email: retrofit.guidelines@ nrel.gov
- *By mail*: National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Attn: Chuck Kurnik, RSF402, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401.

For further information on how to submit comments, please see the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joshua Olsen, Weatherization and Intergovernmental Programs, Mailstop EE–2K, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585. Phone number: (202) 287–1813. Email: Joshua. Olsen@ee.doe.gov. Christopher

Calamita, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of the General Counsel, Forrestal Building, GC–71, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585. Phone number: (202) 586–1777. Email: christopher.calamita@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EERE through the National Renewable Energy Laboratory is developing voluntary work specifications for the work involved in home energy upgrades. This document builds upon the considerable body of material already in circulation and the cumulative knowledge gathered throughout the 30-year history of the Weatherization Assistance Program and broader home performance industry.

The development of the Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals: Standard Work Specifications for Single Family Energy Upgrades (SWS) is supported by the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) Training and Technical Assistance Plan. The process of developing the SWS has involved a historic collaboration between WAP practitioners and trainers, home performance contractors, building scientists, organized labor, healthy homes and worker safety experts, and other professionals in the building trades and throughout the retrofit industry. On November 9, 2010, EERE issued a notice requesting public comment on a draft version of the SWS. 75 FR 68781. Additional background regarding this effort can be found in that document.

The first public comment period resulted in nearly 1000 comments from approximately 100 unique commenters from across the Weatherization and home performance industries. As a result of issues identified by commenters, EERE gave further consideration to a number of technical issues and subsequently made changes to the *SWS*. EERE is providing an opportunity for public comment on the technical revisions made in response to prior public comments.

# **Issues on Which DOE Seeks Comment**

DOE is seeking comments and views of interested parties on the following issues:

- Revisions to the *SWS* document subsequent to the initial public comment period including:
- Reformatting of the document to improve usability
- O Removal of specifications related to the installation of HVAC equipment
- Removal of the Job Task Analyses for being out of scope with the SWS primary intent of defining quality outcomes of installed work

 Alignment with the International Residential Code and other applicable standards

## **Submission of Comments**

DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding the proposed guidelines no later than the date specified under the **DATES** heading. If submitting comments via the DOE Web page, please follow all instructions on the web page: <a href="http://www.weatherization.energy.gov/retrofit\_guidelines">http://www.weatherization.energy.gov/retrofit\_guidelines</a>. This Web site is specifically designed for ease of use to facilitate the public comment process. DOE will transfer comments received on our Web site to Regulations.gov for public review.

Comments, data, and information uploaded to Regulations.gov, or submitted via DOE's email address or regular mail should be provided in WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, PDF, or text (ASCII) file format. Interested parties should avoid the use of special characters or any form of encryption, and wherever possible, comments should include the electronic signature of the author. Comments, data, and information submitted to DOE via regular mail may include one signed paper original.

According to 10 CFR 1004.11, any person submitting information that he or she believes to be confidential and exempt by law from public disclosure should submit two copies: One copy of the document including all the information believed to be confidential, and one copy of the document that does not include the information believed to be confidential. DOE will make its own determination as to the confidential status of the information and treat it according to its determination.

Factors of interest to DOE when evaluating requests to treat submitted information as confidential include:

- (1) A description of the items;
- (2) Whether and why such items are customarily treated as confidential within the industry;
- (3) Whether the information is generally known by or available from other sources;
- (4) Whether the information has previously been made available to others without obligation concerning its confidentiality;

(5) An explanation of the competitive injury to the submitting person which would result from public disclosure;

(6) A date upon which such information might lose its confidential nature due to the passage of time; and

(7) Why disclosure of the information would be contrary to the public interest.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 23, 2012.

#### AnnaMaria Garcia,

Program Manager, Weatherization and Intergovernmental Program, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC12-9-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–552); 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 is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection, FERC–552, Annual Report of Natural Gas Transactions.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due May 29, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments (identified by Docket No. IC12–9–000) 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, 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/docsfiling/docs-filing.asp.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at *DataClearance@FERC.gov*, telephone at (202) 502–8663, and fax at (202) 273–0873.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* FERC–552, Annual Report of Natural Gas Transactions.

OMB Control No.: 1902-0242.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC–552 information collection requirements with no changes to the current reporting requirements.

Abstract: The Commission uses the information collected within the FERC–552 to provide greater transparency concerning the use of indices to price natural gas and how well index prices reflect market forces. The collection also includes transactions that contribute to, or may contribute to natural gas price indices. Many market participants rely on indices as a way to reference market prices without taking on the risks of active trading.

FERC–552 had its genesis in the Energy Policy Act of 2005,¹ which added section 23 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA). Section 23 of the NGA, among other things, directs the Commission "to facilitate price transparency in markets for the sale or transportation of physical natural gas in interstate commerce, having due regard for the public interest, the integrity of those markets, and the protection of consumers." ²

Type of Respondents: Wholesale natural gas market participants.

Estimate of Annual Burden: <sup>3</sup> The Commission estimates the total Public Reporting Burden for this information collection as:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Public Law 109-58.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 15 U.S.C. 717t-2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Burden is defined 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(b)(1).