

September 26, 1997. During the closed session on September 25, the National Defense Panel staff will address Issue Reviews and Report Status on Projects at the Crystal Mall 3 office. On September 26 from 0900–1000 during the closed session the Panel will meet with Terry O'Connell, Chairman of the Reserve Forces Policy Board at the Crystal Mall 3 office. The remainder of the Panel's time will be used to discuss the NDP staff presentations on various future strategies, desired capabilities, and developing force elements.

The determination to close the meeting is based on the consideration that it is expected that discussion will involve classified matters of national security concern throughout.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Please contact the National Defense Panel at (703) 602–4175/6.

Dated: September 16, 1997.

**L.M. Bynum,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary of Defense

#### Department of Defense Wage Committee; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of Pub. L. 92–463, the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that closed meetings of the Department of Defense Wage Committee will be held on October 7, 1997; October 14, 1997; October 21, 1997; and October 28, 1997, at 10:00 a.m. in Room A105, The Nash Building, 1400 Key Boulevard, Rosslyn, Virginia.

Under the provisions of section 10(d) of Pub. L. 92–463, the Department of Defense has determined that the meetings meet the criteria to close meetings to the public because the matters to be considered are related to internal rules and practices of the Department of Defense and the detailed wage data to be considered were obtained from officials of private establishments with a guarantee that the data will be held in confidence.

However, members of the public who may wish to do so are invited to submit material in writing to the chairman concerning matters believed to be deserving of the Committee's attention.

Additional information concerning the meetings may be obtained by writing to the Chairman, Department of Defense Wage Committee, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–4000

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**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB review; Comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 22, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Dan Chenok, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. 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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, 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.

Dated: September 16, 1997.

**Gloria Parker,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of Postsecondary Education

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements for the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program.

*Frequency:* Varies by section.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 4,402,728.

Burden Hours: 1,789,269.

*Abstract:* The proposed rules require the collection of additional information, in certain cases, in order to discharge a borrower's obligation to repay a Federal Direct Consolidation Loan due to a total and permanent disability.

### Office of Educational Research and Improvement

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* State Library Agencies Survey, FY 1997–FY 1999.

*Frequency:* Annually.

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

*Reporting Burden and Recordkeeping:*

Responses: 51.

Burden Hours: 612.

*Abstract:* This survey is proposed as an annual data collection as part of a federal-state cooperative system of data collection. State Library Agencies (SLAs) are the official agency of a state charged by state law with the extension and development of public library services and they receive broader legislative mandates affecting libraries of all types in the states (i.e., public, academic, school, special and library systems). The data are collected entirely electronically and the survey is designed and coordinated by a federal/state cooperative system. The survey will provide state and federal policymakers with information about

STLAs, their governance, allied operations, development services to libraries and library systems, support of electronic information networks, etc.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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### Rehabilitation Continuing Education Programs; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 1998

**Purpose Of Program:** To support cooperative agreements for training centers that serve either a Federal region or another geographic area and provide a broad, integrated sequence of training activities throughout a multi-State geographical area.

**Eligible Applicants:** State and public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including Indian tribes and institutions of higher education.

**Deadline For Transmittal Of Applications:** November 14, 1997.

**Deadline For Intergovernmental Review:** January 13, 1998.

**Applications Available:** September 22, 1997.

**Available Funds:** \$2,903,732.

**Estimated Range Of Awards:** \$318,612—\$525,900.

**Maximum Awards By Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) Region:** In no case does the Secretary make an initial award greater than the amount listed for each of the following RSA regions for a single budget period of 12 months. The Secretary rejects and does not consider an application that proposes a budget exceeding this amount.

**Maximum Level Of Awards By RSA Region:**

Region II—\$439,800  
Region III—\$525,900  
Region VI—\$505,300  
Region VII—\$348,500  
Region VIII—\$318,612  
Region IX—\$428,500  
Region X—\$337,120

**Note:** Applicants should apply for level funding for each project year. Also, applicants are subject to a four percent cost-share requirement on awards.

**Estimated Number Of Awards:** 7.

**Note:** Applications are invited for the provision of training for Department of Education Regions II, III, VI, VII, VIII, IX, and X only. The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project Period:** Up to 60 months.

**Applicable Regulations:** (a) The Education Department General

Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR Parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, and 86; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR Parts 385 and 389.

**Note:** The regulations in 34 CFR Part 79 apply to all applicants except federally recognized Indian tribes.

**Note:** The regulations in 34 CFR Part 86 apply to institutions of higher education only.

The Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1992, enacted October 29, 1992, also applies. Specifically note that under section 21(b)(6) of the Rehabilitation Act, as amended, applicants are required to demonstrate how they will address, in whole or in part, the needs of individuals with disabilities from minority backgrounds.

**For Applications Contact:** The Grants and Contracts Service Team (GCST), U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., room 3317 Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202-2550. Telephone: (202) 205-8351. The preferred method for requesting applications is to FAX your request to (202) 205-8717. 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.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternate format by contacting the GCST. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternate format the standard forms included in the application package.

**For Further Information Contact:** Ellen Chesley, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., room 3318 Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202-2649. Telephone: (202) 205-9481.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed in the preceding paragraph.

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**Note:** The official version of a document is the document published in the **Federal Register**.

Program Authority: 29 U.S.C. 774.

Dated: September 17, 1997.

**Howard R. Moses,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP96-641-000]

### ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Site Visit

September 16, 1997.

On September 22, 1997, beginning at 1:30 p.m., the Office of Pipeline Regulation (OPR) staff will conduct a compliance inspection of ANR Pipeline Company's (ANR) Michigan Leg South Looping Project facilities in Porter County, Indiana, and Will County, Illinois, beginning at ANR's construction office located at 8619 Louisiana Place, Merrillville, Indiana.

All parties may attend. Those planning to attend must provide their own transportation.

For further information, please contact Paul McKee at (202) 208-1088.

**Warren C. Edmunds,**

*Deputy Director, Office of Pipeline Regulation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-524-000]

### Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

September 16, 1997.

Take notice that on September 11, 1997, Columbia Gas Transmission