

10:00 p.m. Adjourn

Copies of the final agenda will be available at the meeting.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Carlos Alvarado at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Official is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments as the first item on the meeting agenda.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585 between 9:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Department of Energy's Environmental Information and Reading Room at 175 Freedom Boulevard, Highway 60, Kevil, Kentucky between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, or by writing to Carlos Alvarado, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, or by calling him at (502) 441-6804.

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Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Kirtland Area Office (Sandia)

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 hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Kirtland Area Office (Sandia).

DATE: Wednesday, May 20, 1998: 6 p.m.-9 p.m. (Mountain Daylight Time).

ADDRESS: Loma Linda Community Center, 1700 Yale SE, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Zamorski, Acting Manager, Department of Energy Kirtland Area Office, PO Box 5400, Albuquerque, NM 87185 (505) 845-4094.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

6:00 p.m. Call to Order/Roll Call
7:00 p.m. Public Comments
7:10 p.m. Approval of Agenda
7:12 p.m. Approval of 03/18/98 and 4/15/98 Minutes
7:17 p.m. Chairperson's Report
7:20 p.m. Sandia National Laboratory's Environmental Restoration/Waste Management Presentation/Discussion
7:45 p.m. Break
7:55 p.m. Sandia National Laboratory's Environmental Restoration/Waste Management Issues Discussion
8:42 p.m. New/Other Business
8:52 p.m. Public Comments
8:58 p.m. Announcement of Next Meeting
9:00 p.m. Adjourn

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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 revision, and extension of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) expiration date of the form RW-859, "Nuclear Fuel Data Survey", and the termination of RW-859S "Nuclear Fuel Data Supplement".

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 contact listed below of your intention to do so as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Jim Finucane, Office of Coal, Nuclear, Electric and Alternate Fuels, EI-52, Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585-0650, telephone: (202) 426-1960, e-mail: jim.finucane@eia.doe.gov, and fax (202)-426-1280.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Jim Finucane 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. 93-275) and the Department of Energy Organization Act (Pub. L. 95-91), the Energy Information Administration (EIA) 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 EIA, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden required by section 3506(c)(2)(A)g of 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 prepare data requests in the desired format, minimize reporting burden, develop clearly understandable reporting forms, and assess the impact of collection requirements on respondents. Also, EIA will later seek approval by OMB for the collections under sections 3507(g) and (h) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, title 44, U.S.C. Chapter 35).

This data collection will provide the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management of the Department of Energy (DOE) with detailed information concerning the spent nuclear fuel generated by the respondents (all generators of spent nuclear fuel within the U.S. are respondents to this survey). The DOE will take possession of this spent fuel and needs this data to properly design the spent fuel repository (spent fuel receiving systems, spent fuel handling systems, etc.) which will be the final storage/disposal site for all of the spent fuel and high level radioactive waste materials.

II. Current Actions

The current proposed actions are: (1) An extension of an existing data collection, RW-859, with a change in the frequency of its collection, and (2) the termination of a second data collection, RW-859S. A three-year extension of the data collection, RW-859, is proposed. The revisions of RW-859 affect the frequency of the collection. Instead of occurring every year, the collection will occur every three to five years. The RW-859S, which was collected every five years, will be terminated and four data items from that form will be collected by RW-859. Such data items include information on each discharged assembly, canistered materials, uncanistered materials, and non-fuel components. As before, all data will be

collected once; only changes in the specific data element will require updating. This revision will also permit the data elements to be collected to be streamlined. Specifically, all of the data which is needed on an assembly specific basis will be collected at one time; thereafter referring this data by reference to the assembly serial number. In addition, the certification statement, the crane data, the site data, the transportation data, and the request for data on fresh fuel in core will be eliminated.

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 and 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 Form RW-859 is estimated to average 40 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 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. 104-13) title 44, U.S.C. Chapter 35).

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-356-000]

Kern River Gas Transmission Company and Mojave Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

April 20, 1998.

Take notice that on April 16, 1998, Kern River Gas Transmission Company (Kern River), 295 Chipeta Way, Salt Lake City, Utah 84108, and Mojave Pipeline Company (Mojave), P.O. Box 1492, El Paso, Texas 79978, filed a joint prior notice request with the Commission in Docket No. CP98-356-000 pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to construct and operate a delivery point in Kern County, California, under Kern River's blanket certificates issued in Docket Nos. CP89-2047-000 and CP89-2048-000 and under Mojave's blanket certificates issued in Docket Nos. CP89-1-000 and CP89-2-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA, all as more fully set forth in the request which is open to the public for inspection.

Kern River and Mojave jointly proposed to construct and operate a delivery point on their jointly owned "Common Facilities" in Kern County to provide natural gas deliveries to MacPherson Oil Company (MacPherson). The proposed delivery point would consist of one 8-inch tap