

authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-532-000]

#### Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

May 20, 1998.

Take notice that on May 11, 1998, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), P.O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77252, filed in Docket No. CP98-532-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212) under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to construct and operate a new delivery point in Essex County, Massachusetts, for deliveries to Wakefield Municipal Light Department (Wakefield), under Tennessee's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP 82-413-000, pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Tennessee proposes to construct and operate delivery point facilities consisting of a 3-inch hot tap and electronic gas measurement facilities. Tennessee states that Wakefield will construct 1,270 feet of interconnecting pipeline and a meter, and that Tennessee will inspect these facilities. Tennessee proposes to use the facilities to deliver up to 4,567 dt equivalent of natural gas per day to Wakefield under Tennessee's Rate Schedule IT. The cost of the facilities is estimated at \$66,059, for which, it is stated, Tennessee will be reimbursed by Wakefield. It is asserted that the total quantities to be delivered to Wakefield will not exceed the total quantities authorized prior to this request. It is further asserted that Tennessee's tariff does not prohibit the addition of new delivery points and that Tennessee has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice

of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98-2973-000]

#### Williams Energy Services Company; Notice of Filing

May 20, 1998.

Take notice that on May 12, 1998, Williams Energy Services Company filed an Amendment to the Alamitos and Redondo Beach Generating Station Must Run Agreement adopting such Agreement as WESCO's Rate Schedule. Pursuant to such Agreement, sales are made to the California Independent System Operator at regulated rates now in effect subject to refund pending the outcome of a hearing in Docket No. ER98-441-000.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with the Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before June 1, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EG98-73-000, et al.]

#### Orzunil I de Electricidad, Limitada, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

May 18, 1998.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

##### 1. Orzunil I de Electricidad, Limitada

[Docket No. EG98-73-000]

Take notice that on May 6, 1998, Orzunil I de Electricidad, Limitada (Orzunil), located at 8a Calle 3-14, Zona 10, Guatemala City, Guatemala 01010, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (the Commission) an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's Regulations.

Orzunil will directly or indirectly and exclusively develop, own and operate an electric generating facility, to be located in the province of Quetzaltenango, Guatemala, and will sell electricity at wholesale or exclusively in markets outside of the United States. The electric generating facility will be a geothermal power plant whose primary components are Ormat energy converters (consisting of a turbogenerator, heat exchanger, air-cooled condenser, organic motive fluid piping and control and power system), auxiliary equipment and appurtenant facilities necessary to interconnect the electric generating facility to the transmission facilities of the purchaser. The facility will have a nominal generating capacity of 24 MW net.

*Comment date:* June 8, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

##### 2. Southwestern Public Service Company v. El Paso Electric Company

[Docket No. EL98-44-000]

Take notice that on April 29, 1998, Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS), submitted for filing, a complaint against El Paso Electric Company (EPE), seeking an order from the Commission requiring EPE to provide firm transmission service to SPS.

*Comment date:* June 12, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. Answers to the complaint shall be due on or before June 12, 1998.

**3. Laguna Irrigation District**

[Docket No. EL98-46-000]

Take notice that on May 6, 1998, Laguna Irrigation District tendered for filing an Application for an order Directing the Establishment of Physical Interconnection of Facilities Pursuant to Sections 202 and 210 of the Federal Power Act and Part 32 of the Commission's Regulation, 18 CFR 32. The application seeks an order requiring Pacific Gas and Electric Company to interconnect its transmission system with Laguna's 12 kV distribution system at points identified in Laguna's application.

Laguna also seeks an order requiring Pacific Gas and Electric Company to file an interconnection agreement or electric tariff establishing just and reasonable terms, conditions and charges under which such interconnection shall be operated and maintained.

*Comment date:* June 15, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**4. Allegheny Power Service Corp., on behalf of Monongahela Power Co., The Potomac Edison Company, and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power)**

[Docket No. ER98-1434-001]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Allegheny Power Service Corporation on behalf of Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power), submitted a revised amendment to its Standard Generation Service Rate Schedule to comply with the Commission directives in an order issued on May 5, 1998, in Docket No. ER98-1434-000.

Copies of the filing have been provided to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, the Maryland Public Service Commission, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the West Virginia Public Service Commission, and all parties of record.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**5. Conectiv Energy Supply, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER98-2045-001]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Conectiv Energy Supply, Inc., tendered for filing its compliance filing in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**6. Florida Power & Light Company**

[Docket No. ER98-2746-000]

Take notice that on May 11, 1998, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), submitted for filing a supplement to the filing that FPL initially had made in this docket on April 30, 1998.

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**7. Northern Indiana Public Service Company**

[Docket No. ER98-2849-000]

Take notice that on April 29, 1998, Northern Indiana Public Service Company tendered for filing its Transaction Report for short-term transactions for the first quarter of 1998 pursuant to the Commission's order issued January 10, 1997 in Northern Indiana Public Service Company, 78 FERC ¶ 61,015 (1997).

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**8. American Electric Power Service Corporation**

[Docket No. ER98-2859-000]

Take notice that on May 1, 1998, the American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEPSC), tendered for filing a report for the first quarter of 1998 summarizing the transactions under the Wholesale Market Tariff of the AEP Operating Companies (Power Sales Tariff). The Power Sales Tariff was accepted for filing effective October 10, 1997 and has been designated AEP Operating Companies FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 5.

A copy of the filing was served upon the Parties and the State Utility Regulatory Commissions of Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**9. PP&L, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER98-2869-000]

Take notice that on May 1, 1998, PP&L, Inc., filed a summary of activity conducted under its market-based rates tariff, FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 5, during the quarter ending March 31, 1998.

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**10. Tucson Electric Power Company**

[Docket No. ER98-2872-000]

Take notice that on April 30, 1998, Tucson Electric Power Company (Tucson), tendered for filing a

Transaction Report regarding power purchases and sales under its Market-Based Power Sales Tariff for quarter ended March 31, 1998.

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**11. Commonwealth Edison Company**

[Docket No. ER98-2873-000]

Take notice that on April 30, 1998, Commonwealth Edison Company (Edison), submitted its quarterly market-based transaction report for the calendar quarter ending March 31, 1998.

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**12. Central and South West Services, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER98-2874-000]

Take notice that on April 30, 1998, Central and South West Services, Inc., as agent for Central Power and Light Company, West Texas Utilities Company, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, and Southwestern Electric Power Company (collectively, the CSW Operating Companies), submitted a quarterly report under the CSW Operating Companies' market-based sales tariff. The report is for the period January 1, 1998 through March 31, 1998.

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**13. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation**

[Docket No. ER98-2924-000]

Take notice that on May 7, 1998, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (Niagara Mohawk), tendered for filing its Quarterly Sales and Services Summary as required by the Commission's Order dated September 25, 1996 in Docket No. ER96-2585-000. A copy of the filing has been served on the Public Service Commission of the State of New York.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**14. Williams Energy Services Company**

[Docket No. ER98-2973-000]

Take notice that on May 12, 1998, Williams Energy Services Company filed an Amendment to the Huntington Beach Generating Station Must Run Agreement adopting such Agreement as WESCO's Rate Schedule. Pursuant to such Agreement, sales are made to the California Independent System Operator at regulated rates now in effect subject to refund pending the outcome of a hearing in Docket No. ER98-441-000.

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**15. Ocean Vista Power Generation, L.L.C., Mountain Vista Power Generation, L.L.C., Alta Power Generation, L.L.C., Oeste Power Generation, L.L.C., Ormond Beach Power Generation, L.L.C.**

[Docket No. ER98-2977-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Ocean Vista Power Generation, L.L.C. (Ocean Vista), Mountain Vista Power Generation, L.L.C. (Mountain Vista), Alta Power Generation, L.L.C. (Alta Power), Oeste Power Generation, L.L.C. (Oeste Power), and Ormond Beach Power Generation, L.L.C. (Ormond Beach) (collectively, the Applicants) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an Application for Authority to Sell Specific Ancillary Services at Market-Based Rates and Request for Expedited Consideration. Included as part of the Application are proposed revised market-based Rate Schedules for each of these companies to provide for the sale at market-based rates of four ancillary services: Regulation, Spinning Reserve, Non-Spinning Reserve, and Replacement Reserve.

Applicants request waivers permitting market-based rates for these Ancillary Services to be made effective as of the date of filing for Ocean Vista, Mountain Vista, Alta Power, Oeste Power, and for Ormond Beach as of May 27, 1998 or such later date as coincides with the acquisition by Ormond Beach of the Ormond Beach generating facility from Southern California Edison.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**16. California Independent System Operator Corporation**

[Docket No. ER98-2978-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO), tendered for filing a Meter Service Agreement for Scheduling Coordinators between the ISO and the British Columbia Power Exchange Corporation (British Columbia PX) for acceptance by the Commission.

The ISO states that this filing has been served on the British Columbia PX and the California Public Utilities Commission.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**17. Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER98-2979-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison), tendered for filing a Supplement to its Rate Schedule FERC No. 78, an agreement to provide transmission service for the Power Authority of the State of New York (the Authority). The Supplement provides for an increase in the annual revenues under the Rate Schedule of \$3,655.11. Con Edison has requested that the increase take effect on July 1, 1998.

Con Edison states that a copy of this filing has been served by mail upon the Authority.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**18. Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER98-2980-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison), tendered for filing a Supplement to its Rate Schedule FERC No. 60, an agreement to provide transmission service for the Power Authority of the State of New York (the Authority). The Supplement provides for an increase in the annual revenues under the Rate Schedule of \$24,280.86. Con Edison has requested that the increase take effect on July 1, 1998.

Con Edison states that a copy of this filing has been served by mail upon the Authority.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**19. Cinergy Services, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER98-2981-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Cinergy Services, Inc. (Cinergy), tendered for filing a service agreement under Cinergy's Open Access Transmission Service Tariff (the Tariff) entered into between Cinergy and VTEC Energy (VTEC).

Cinergy and VTEC are requesting an effective date of May 12, 1998.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**20. Cinergy Services, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER98-2982-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Cinergy Services, Inc. (Cinergy), tendered for filing a service agreement under Cinergy's Open Access Transmission Service Tariff (the Tariff) entered into between Cinergy and

Northern States Power Company (Northern).

Cinergy and Northern are requesting an effective date of May 12, 1998.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**21. Tucson Electric Power Company**

[Docket No. ER98-2983-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Tucson Electric Power Company (TEP), tendered for filing a short-term umbrella service agreement with Morenci Water and Electric for sales under TEP's Market-Based Power Sales Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 3.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**22. Tucson Electric Power Company**

[Docket No. ER98-2984-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Tucson Electric Power Company (TEP), tendered for filing one (1) non-firm umbrella transmission service agreement pursuant to Part II of TEP's Open Access Transmission Tariff, which was filed in Docket No. OA96-140-000).

The details of the service agreement are as follows: Service Agreement for Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service with Western Resources dated April 27, 1998. TEP has not yet provided transmission service under this service agreement.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**23. Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER98-2985-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison), tendered for filing a Supplement to its Rate Schedule FERC No. 102, an agreement to provide transmission service for the New York Power Authority (the Authority). The Supplement provides for an increase in the annual revenues under the Rate Schedule of \$7,528.23. Con Edison has requested that the increase take effect on July 1, 1998.

Con Edison states that a copy of this filing has been served by mail upon the Authority.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**24. Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER98-2986-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Consolidated Edison Company of New

York, Inc. (Con Edison), tendered for filing a Supplement to its Rate Schedule FERC No. 66, an agreement to provide transmission service for the Power Authority of the State of New York (the Authority). Con Edison has requested that the increase take effect on July 1, 1998.

Con Edison states that a copy of this filing has been served by mail upon the Authority.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 25. Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-2987-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (O&R), tendered for filing pursuant to Part 35 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 35, a service agreement under which O&R will provide capacity and/or energy to VTEC Energy, Inc. (VTEC Energy).

O&R requests waiver of the notice requirement so that the service agreement with VTEC Energy becomes effective as of May 5, 1998.

O&R has served copies of the filing on The New York State Public Service Commission and VTEC Energy.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 26. Cinergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-2988-000]

Take notice that on May 11, 1998, Cinergy Services, Inc. (Cinergy), tendered for filing a service agreement under Cinergy's Open Access Transmission Service Tariff (the Tariff), entered into between Cinergy and Northern States Power Company (Northern).

Cinergy and Northern are requesting an effective date of May 12, 1998.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 27. Cinergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-2989-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Cinergy Services, Inc. (Cinergy), tendered for filing a service agreement under Cinergy's Open Access Transmission Service Tariff (the Tariff), entered into between Cinergy and PP&L, Inc., (PP&L).

Cinergy and PP&L are requesting an effective date of May 12, 1998.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 28. Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-2990-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company (OG&E), tendered for filing service agreements for parties to take service under its short-term power sales agreement.

Copies of this filing have been served on each of the affected parties, the Oklahoma Corporation Commission and the Arkansas Public Service Commission.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 29. Wisconsin Electric Power Company

[Docket No. ER98-2991-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Wisconsin Electric Power Company (Wisconsin Electric), tendered for filing an electric service agreement under its Coordination Sales Tariff (FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 2). Wisconsin Electric respectfully requests an effective date May 13, 1998.

Wisconsin Electric is authorized to state that Northern/AES Energy, LLC joins in the requested effective date.

Copies of the filing have been served on Northern/AES Energy, LLC, the Michigan Public Service Commission, and the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 30. Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-2993-000]

Take notice that on May 12, 1998, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison), tendered for filing a Supplement to its Rate Schedule FERC No. 117, an agreement to provide transmission and interconnection service to Long Island Lighting Company (LILCO). The Supplement provides for an increase in annual revenues under the Rate Schedule of \$105,531.88. Con Edison has requested that this increase take effect on July 1, 1998.

Con Edison states that a copy of this filing has been served by mail upon LILCO.

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 31. Central Vermont Public Service Corporation

[Docket No. ER98-2994-000]

Take notice that on May 12, 1998, Central Vermont Public Service

Corporation tendered for filing revisions to its open access transmission tariff to include penalty provisions for failure to curtail and/or interrupt transmission service and for taking service in excess of reserved capacity.

*Comment date:* June 1, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 32. Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-3008-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998 Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison), tendered for filing a service agreement to provide non-firm transmission service pursuant to its Open Access Transmission Tariff to Scana Energy Marketing, Inc., (Scana).

Con Edison states that a copy of this filing has been served by mail upon Scana.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 33. Northern States Power Company (Minnesota) and Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin)

[Docket No. ER98-3009-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Northern States Power Company (Minnesota) and Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin) (jointly NSP), tendered for filing a Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service Agreement and a Short-Term Firm Transmission Service Agreement between NSP and Cargill-Alliant, LLC.

NSP requests that the Commission accept both the agreements effective April 15, 1998, and requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements in order for the agreements to be accepted for filing on the date requested.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 34. Cinergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-2976-000]

Take notice that on May 13, 1998, Cinergy Services, Inc., (Cinergy), tendered for filing an Interchange Agreement among the Cinergy Operating Companies and Southern Illinois Power Cooperative in the above-referenced docket. The Interchange Agreement provides for voluntary sales transactions between the parties.

Copies of the filing have been served upon Southern Illinois Power Cooperative.

*Comment date:* June 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**Standard Paragraph**

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-6103-2]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; 1999 Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit the following proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): 1999 Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey, EPA ICR # 1708.02. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before July 27, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** To obtain a copy of the ICR without charge please contact the Safe Drinking Water Hotline, (800) 426-4791. Hours of operation are 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (ET), Monday—Friday, excluding Federal holidays. Copies are also available from the Office of Water Resource Center (RC4100), U.S. EPA Headquarters, 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC 20460.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Safe Drinking Water Hotline, (800) 426-4791,

e-mail: hotline-sdwa-group@epamail.epa.gov; or Richard Naylor, (202) 260-5135, fax (202) 260-0732, e-mail: naylor.richard@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those which own, operate or regulate community water systems but not limited to: Owners/operators of community water systems, State Environmental Water Quality Agencies, and State Departments of Health.

**Title:** 1999 Drinking Water Infrastructure Needs Survey, EPA ICR # 1708.02.

**Abstract:** The purpose of this information collection is to identify the current and future infrastructure needs of community and nonprofit noncommunity public water systems for the 20-year period from January 1999 through December 2018. The collection will be conducted by EPA's Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (OGWDW) in order to comply with Sections 1452(h) and 1452 (i)(4) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) (Public Law 104-182).

The collection will involve two methods. A questionnaire will be used to collect information from large and medium community water systems. For small systems and nonprofit noncommunity water systems, data will be collected through a site visit by the EPA contractor. Questionnaires and site visit reports will be reviewed by State Needs Survey Coordinators before submission to EPA.

The data from the questionnaires and the site visits will provide EPA with a basis for estimating the drinking water infrastructure needs of community water systems for the 20-year period, January 1999 through December 2018. Furthermore, under section 1452 (a)(1)(D) of SDWA, the results of the needs survey must be used as the basis for allocating Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund capitalization grant funds among the States. Responses to the collection of information are voluntary.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including

whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

**Burden Statement:** It is estimated that this information collection will involve a total cost burden to the Respondents of \$1,533,029 and a total hour burden to the Respondents of 44,096 hours. There will be no capital, start-up or operation and maintenance costs but the collection will involve a one time response, from 4,670 respondents, of approximately 9.4 hours per respondent. Burden means 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. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Dated: May 21, 1998.

**Cynthia Dougherty,**

*Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL-6102-6]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Underground Injection Control Program**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).