

## APPENDIX—ORDERS GRANTING, AMENDING AND TRANSFERRING IMPORT/EXPORT AUTHORIZATION—Continued

| Order No.  | Date issued | Importer/exporter FE docket No.                  | Two-year maximum |               | Comments   |
|------------|-------------|--|------------------|---------------|--|
|            |             |  | Import volume    | Export volume |  |
| 1387 ..... | 05/28/98    | West Texas Gas, Inc., 98-38-NG .....             | .....            | 50 Bcf .....  | Export to Mexico beginning June 1, 1998, through May 31, 2000.   |
| 1388 ..... | 05/28/98    | Burlington Resources Trading Inc., 98-37-NG.     | .....            | 100 Bcf ..... | Import and export up to a combined total from and to Mexico beginning on June 1, 1998, through May 31, 2000. |
| 1389 ..... | 05/29/98    | Applied LNG Technologies USA, L.L.C., 98-35-LNG. | .....            | 5.2 Bcf ..... | Export of LNG to Mexico beginning on the date of first truck delivery.                                       |

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****[Docket No. FE C&E 98-04—Certification Notice—159]****Office of Fossil Energy; Androscooggin Energy LLC Notice of Filing of Coal Capability Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act****AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.**ACTION:** Notice of filing.

**SUMMARY:** On June 4, 1998, Androscooggin Energy LLC submitted a coal capability self-certification pursuant to section 201 of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978, as amended.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of self-certification filings are available for public inspection, upon request, in the Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex, Fossil Energy, Room 4G-039, FE-27, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellen Russell at (202) 586-9624.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Title II of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978 (FUA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), provides that no new baseload electric powerplant may be constructed or operated without the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel as a primary energy source. In order to meet the requirement of coal capability, the owner or operator of such facilities proposing to use natural gas or petroleum as its primary energy source shall certify, pursuant to FUA section 201(d), to the Secretary of Energy prior to construction, or prior to operation as a base load powerplant, that such powerplant has the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel. Such certification establishes compliance with section 201(a) as of the date filed with the Department of Energy. The Secretary is required to

publish a notice in the **Federal Register** that a certification has been filed. The following owner/operator of the proposed new baseload powerplant has filed a self-certification in accordance with section 201(d).

*Owner:* Androscooggin Energy LLC.

*Operator:* Polsky Services, Inc.

*Location:* Riley Road, near the city of Jay, Maine.

*Plant Configuration:* Combined-Cycle, Cogeneration.

*Capacity:* 145 megawatts.

*Fuel:* Natural gas.

*Purchasing Entities:* Retail and wholesale markets connected to New England Power Pool.

*In-Service Date:* Mid to late 1999.

Issued in Washington, D.C., June 19, 1998.

**Anthony J. Como,**

*Director, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex, Office of Coal & Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[IC98-73-000 FERC Form No. 73]****Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments**

June 19, 1998.

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to comments submitted on or before August 24, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Office of the Chief Information Officer, CI-1, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at michael.miller@ferc.fed.us.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The information collected under the requirements of FERC Form No. 73 "Oil Pipelines Service Life Data" (OMB No. 1902-0019) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Sections 306 and 402 of the Department of Energy Organization Act 42 U.S.C. § 7155 and 7172, and Executive Order No. 12009, 42 FR 46277 (September 13, 1977). From these statutory sections the Commission assumed jurisdictional responsibility for oil pipelines from the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. § 6501 *et. al.* As part of the information necessary for the subsequent investigation and review of the oil pipeline company's proposed depreciation rates, the pipeline companies are required to provide service life data as part of their data submission if the proposed depreciation rates are based on remaining physical life calculations. This service life data is collected and submitted on FERC Form No. 73.

Data submitted by an oil pipeline company during an investigation may be either initial data or it may be an update to existing data already on file. These data are then used by the Commission as input to several computer programs known collectively as the Depreciation Life Analysis System (DLAS) to assist in the selection of appropriate service lives and book depreciation rates.

Book depreciation rates are used by oil pipeline companies to compute the depreciation portion of their operating

expense which is a component of their cost of service which in turn is used to determine the transportation rate to assess customers. Staff's recommended book depreciation rates become legally binding when issued in an order by the Commission. These rates remain in

effect until a subsequent review is requested and the outcome indicates that a modification is justified. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Parts 347 and 357.

**Action:** The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date.

**Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

| Number of respondents annually<br>(1) | Number of responses per respondent<br>(2) | Average burden hours per response<br>(3) | Total annual burden hours<br>(1)x(2)x(3) |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 5                                     | 1   | 40                                       | 200                                      |

Estimated cost burden to respondents: 200 hours divided by 2,088 hours per year times \$110,000 per year equals \$11,000. The cost per respondent is equal to \$2,200.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) 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; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including 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.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC98-6-000; FERC Form 6]

#### Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments

June 19, 1998.

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to comments submitted on or before August 24, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Office of the Chief Information Officer, CI-1, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at michael.miller@ferc.fed.us.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The information collected under the requirements of FERC Form 6 "Annual

Report of Oil Pipeline Companies" (OMB NO. 1902-0022) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory Provisions of the Interstate Commerce Act (ICA), (49 U.S.C.). The ICA authorizes the Commission to make investigations and to collect and record data and to prescribe rules and regulations concerning accounts, records and memoranda as necessary or appropriate for purposes of administering the ICA. The Commission may prescribe a system of accounts for jurisdictional companies and, after notice and opportunity for hearing may determine the accounts in which particular outlays and receipts will be entered, charged or credited. Every pipeline carrier subject to the provisions of Section 20 of the ICA must file with the Commission copies of FERC Form 6.

The Commission's Office of Chief Accountant uses the information collected in its audit program and the continuous review on the financial condition of regulated companies. The Office of Pipeline Regulation uses the data in its various rate proceedings and supply programs, and the Offices of Economic Policy and General Counsel use the data in their programs relating to the administration of the ICA. Data on certain schedules of the FERC Form 6 is used to compute annual charges which are then assessed against oil pipeline companies to recover the Commission's annual costs. These annual charges are required by Section 3401 of the Budget Act.

The ICA mandates the collection of information needed by the Commission to perform its regulatory responsibilities in the setting of the just and reasonable rates. The Commission could be held in violation of the ICA if the information was not collected.

The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Section 260.2 and Parts 351; 352; 356 and 357.2.

**Action:** The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date.