

areas. A number of alternatives have been identified to date, both in filings made by the applicants and in comments received. We will evaluate all feasible alternatives identified.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be in a Draft EIS which will be mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, affected landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for these proceedings. A 45-day comment period will be allotted for review of the Draft EIS. We will consider all comments on the Draft EIS and revise the document, as necessary, before issuing a Final EIS. The Final EIS will treat all comments received on the Draft EIS.

Public Participation and Scoping Meetings

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EIS and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative routes or compressor station sites), and measure to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please follow the instructions below to ensure that your comments are received and properly recorded:

- Reference Docket Nos. CP97-315-000 *et al.*
- Send *two* copies of your comments to: David P. Boergers, Acting Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First St., NE Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy for the attention of the Environmental Review and Compliance Branch, PR-11.1.
- Please mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before September 11, 1998.

In addition to or in lieu of sending written comments, you are invited to attend one or more of the four public scoping meetings being held in the project area. Meetings will be held at the following times and locations:

Date	Time	Location
September 1, 1998	7:00 p.m.	Sheraton Inn, Williamsport, 100 Pine Street, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, (717) 327-8231.
September 2, 1998	7:00 p.m.	Hilton, Allentown, 904 East Hamilton Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania, (610) 433-2221.
September 3, 1998	7:00 p.m.	Sheraton Hotel Tara Parsippany, 199 Smith Road, Parsippany, New Jersey, (973) 515-2000.

The purpose of the scoping meetings is to obtain input from state and local governments and from the public. Federal agencies have formal channels for input into the Federal process (including separate meetings where appropriate). Federal agencies are expected to file their written comments directly with the FERC and not use the scoping meetings for this purpose.

Transco will be invited to present a description of its Market Link Expansion Project. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend the meetings and present oral comments on the environmental issues which they believe should be addressed in the Draft EIS. A transcript will be made of the meetings and will be made part of the Commission's record in this proceeding. Written comments and oral comments will be treated equally in our review.

We are asking a number of Federal agencies to indicate whether they wish to cooperate with us in the preparation of the EIS. These agencies may choose to participate once they have evaluated each proposal relative to their agencies' responsibilities. The list of agencies is provided in appendix 3.³

On the above dates we will also be conducting limited site visits to the project area in the vicinity of each scoping meeting location. Anyone interested in participating in the site visit may contact the Commission's Office of External Affairs, identified at the end of this notice, for more details and must provide their own transportation.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EIS scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding, known as an "intervenor". Intervenor play a more formal role in the process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide 14 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy to all other parties on the Commission's service lists for these proceedings. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a Motion to Intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see appendix 4). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed, having ended June 11, 1998. Therefore, parties now seeking to file later

interventions must show good cause, as required by section 385.213(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. However, you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Environmental Mailing List

Anyone offering scoping comments will be automatically kept on our environmental mailing list for the project. If you do not want to offer comments at this time you will be taken off the environmental mailing list.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Paul McKee in the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Sunshine Act Meeting

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: July 27, 1998, 63 FR 40116.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED TIME AND DATE OF MEETING: July 29, 1998, 10:00 a.m.

³The appendices references in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, Room 2A or call (202) 208-1371. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

CHANGE IN THE MEETING: The following docket Numbers and Companies have been added on the Agenda scheduled for the July 29, 1998 meeting.

Item No.	Docket No. and company
CAG-44	RP96-173-000, <i>et al.</i> , Williams Gas Pipelines
CAG-54	RP89-183-081, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6134-1]

Agency Information Collection Activities Up for Renewal

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) listed below is coming up for renewal. Before submitting the renewal package to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 2, 1998.

ADDRESS: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Assessment and Modeling Division, Emission Inventory Group, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carl Fulper, Telephone: (734) 214-4400, Facsimile: (734) 214-4939.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected Entities: The entity affected by this action is the general public who own on-road motor vehicles.

Title: Mobile Source Emission Factor Survey—2060-0078

Abstract: The EPA Emission Inventory Group, through contractors, solicits the general public to voluntarily offer their vehicle for emissions testing. The owner is also asked to complete a multiple choice form of nine questions that summarize vehicle usage. There are two methods used to solicit the general public for participation in Emission Factors Program (EFP):

1. Postal cards are sent to a random selection of vehicle owners using State motor vehicle registration lists; and

2. A random selection of motor vehicle owners, who arrive at State inspection stations on an annual or biennial schedule, are solicited.

Information from the EFP provides a basis for developing State Implementation Plans (SIPs), Reasonable Further Progress (RFP) reports, are attainment status assessments for the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).

The legislative basis for the Emission Factors Program is Section 103(a)(1)(2)(3) of the Clean Air Act, which requires the Administrator to "conduct * * * research, investigations, experiments, demonstrations, surveys, and studies relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, and control of air pollution" and "conduct investigations and research and make surveys concerning any specific problem of air pollution in cooperation with any air pollution control agency * * *"

EPA uses the data from the EFP to verify predictions of the computer model known as MOBILE, which calculates the contribution of mobile source emissions to ambient air pollution. MOBILE is used by EPA, state and local air pollution agencies, the automotive industry, and other parties that are interested in estimating mobile source emissions.

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; and
- (iii) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses).

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes to 2 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, completing the questionnaire, and delivering the vehicle for testing. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to:

Chief, Information Policy Branch, PM-223, U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency, 401 M St., S.W., Washington, DC 20460

and the Paperwork Reduction Project (OMB# 2060-0078),

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503.

No person is 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 displayed in 40 CFR, Part 9.

Send comments regarding these matters, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the address listed above.

Dated: July 28, 1998.

Michael G. Shields,

Director, Policy Budget and Planning Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6133-6]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Ambient Air Quality Surveillance

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 continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Ambient Air Quality Surveillance, OMB Number (2060-0084), EPA ICR # 940.16 expires March 29, 1999. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collections as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 2, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Emissions, Monitoring, and Analysis Division (MD-14), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Interested parties may obtain a copy of the ICR without charge from David Lutz, EPA, Emissions, Monitoring, and Analysis Division, MD-14, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541-5476.