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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### **Student Assistance General Provisions, Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Work-Study, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Federal Family Education Loan, William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan, Federal Pell Grant, and Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership Programs**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice; deadline and submission dates for receipt of applications, reports, and other documents for the 2000–2001 award year.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary announces the deadline and submission dates for receiving documents from persons applying for assistance under the Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Work-Study (FWS), Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG), Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL), William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan), Federal Pell Grant, and Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (LEAP) programs for the 2000–2001 award year.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Perkins Loan, FWS, FSEOG, FFEL, Direct Loan, Federal Pell Grant, and LEAP programs, administered by the U.S. Department of Education (Department), provide assistance to students attending eligible institutions of higher education to help them pay for their educational costs.

A. <u>Deadline Dates for Application Processing and Receipt of Student Aid Reports (SARs) or Institutional Student Information Records (ISIRs)</u>			
Who Submits?	What is Submitted?	Where is it Submitted?	What is the Deadline Date for Receipt?
Student	Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on the Web, Renewal FAFSA on the Web, or FAFSA Express electronic application	Electronically to the Department's Central Processing System (CPS)	July 2, 2001*
	Signature Page (if required)	The address printed on the signature page	August 16, 2001
Student through an Institution	An electronic original or renewal application	Electronically to the Department's Central Processing System (CPS)	July 2, 2001*
Student	A paper original Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or paper Renewal FAFSA	The address printed on the FAFSA, Renewal FAFSA, or envelope provided with the form	July 2, 2001
Student through an Institution	Electronic corrections and duplicate requests	Electronically to the Department's Central Processing System (CPS)	August 27, 2001*
Student	Corrections submitted using Part 2 of a SAR	The address printed on Part 2 of the SAR	August 16, 2001
Student	Change of address, change of institutions, and duplicate requests	The address printed on Part 2 of the SAR	August 16, 2001
		The Federal Student Aid Information Center by calling 1-800-433-3243	August 27, 2001

A. <u>Deadline Dates for Application Processing and Receipt of Student Aid Reports (SARs) or Institutional Student Information Records (ISIRs)</u>			
Who Submits?	What is Submitted?	Where is it Submitted?	What is the Deadline Date for Receipt?
Student	Valid SAR	Institution	The earlier of: - the student's last date of enrollment; or - August 31, 2001
Student Through the Central Processing System	Valid ISIR****	Institution receives ISIR from the Department's Central Processing System (CPS)	
Student	Verification documents	Institution	The earlier of:** - 90 days after the student's last date of enrollment; or - August 31, 2001
Student	Verified SAR	Institution	The earlier of:*** - 90 days after the student's last date of enrollment; or - August 31, 2001
Student Through the Central Processing System	Verified ISIR****	Institution receives ISIR from the Department's Central Processing System (CPS)	
<p>* The deadline for electronic transactions is 7:00 PM (Central Time) on the deadline date. Transmissions must be completed and accepted by 7:00 PM to meet the deadline. If transmissions are started before 7:00 PM but are not completed until after 7:00 PM, those transmissions will not meet the deadline. In addition, any transmission picked up on or just prior to the deadline date that gets rejected may not be able to be reprocessed because the deadline will have passed by the time the user gets the information notifying him/her of the reject.</p> <p>** Although the Department has set this deadline date for the submission of verification documents to the institution, if corrections are required, the earlier deadline dates for submission of paper or electronic corrections must still be met.</p> <p>*** The institution must have already received a SAR or ISIR with an eligible EFC while the student was enrolled and eligible for payment. Students completing verification while no longer enrolled will be paid based on the higher of the two EFCs.</p> <p>****For this purpose, the date the ISIR transaction was processed by the Central Processing System is considered to be the date the institution received the ISIR.</p>			

2001 award year is the second year of RFMS. A disbursement record: (1) reports a disbursement or expected disbursement for each student, and (2) requests funds for those institutions that participate in the Just-in-Time payment method pilot. The "regular" disbursement record includes an origination record unique identifier and the amount and date of the disbursement. RFMS uses totals of the accepted disbursement record data in the funding process as either the basis for adjusting an institution's authorization level or as a request for funds. An institution may submit a disbursement record earlier than the

reported disbursement date in the record. The Department considers a disbursement of Federal Pell Grant funds to have occurred on the earlier of the date that the institution: (a) credits a student's account at the institution's general ledger or any subledger of the general ledger, or (b) pays a student directly with funds received from the Department. The Department considers a disbursement to have occurred even if institutional funds are used in advance of receiving the program funds from the Department (34 CFR ?? 668.164(a)).

Table B provides the earliest date an institution can submit a disbursement record to the Department. Any

disbursement record received prior to the earliest submission date is rejected. Table B also includes the latest date an institution may submit a disbursement record. The Department may impose an adverse action such as a fine or other penalty for an institution's failure to submit a Federal Pell Grant disbursement record within the required 30-day timeframe. Also, failing to submit a disbursement record within the required 30-day timeframe may result in an audit or program review finding for an institution.

B. <u>Earliest Submission and Deadline Dates for Submitting Federal Pell Grant Disbursement Records</u>			
Who Submits?	What is Submitted?	Where is it Submitted?	What is the Earliest Submission and Deadline Date for Receipt?
Institution	<p>At least one acceptable disbursement record must be submitted for each Federal Pell Grant recipient at the institution by:</p> <p>Electronic Data Exchange (EDE)*</p>	<p>To RFMS using EDE or custom software:</p> <p>Title IV Wide Area Network</p>	<p>An institution may submit disbursement records as early as June 21, 2000, but can not submit a disbursement record any earlier than:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) 30 calendar days prior to the disbursement date under the Advance payment method;</li> <li>(b) 5 calendar days prior to the disbursement date under the Just-in-time payment method; or</li> <li>(c) the date of disbursement under the Reimbursement or Cash Monitoring payment Methods.</li> </ul> <p>An institution is required to submit a disbursement record not later than the earlier of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) 30 calendar days after the institution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- makes a payment; or</li> <li>- becomes aware of the need to make an adjustment to previously reported disbursement data; or</li> </ul> </li> <li>(b) October 1, 2001.</li> </ul>

**B. Earliest Submission and Deadline Dates for Submitting Federal Pell Grant Disbursement Records**

Who Submits?	What is Submitted?	Where is it Submitted?	What is Deadline Date for Receipt?
Institution	At least one acceptable disbursement record must be submitted for each Federal Pell Grant recipient at the institution by:  Electronic Data Exchange (EDE)*	To RFMS using EDE or custom software:  Title IV Wide Area Network	After October 1, 2001, an institution may submit a disbursement record only: (a) for a downward adjustment of a previously reported award; or (b) based upon a program review or initial audit finding per 34 CFR 690.83.
	Requests for Year-To-Date Records	1. Pell Grant User Support Hotline: 1-800-474-7268 2. <a href="http://www.pellgrantsonline.ed.gov">http://www.pellgrantsonline.ed.gov</a> 3. Title IV Wide Area Network	August 16, 2001**
	Request for administrative relief based on a natural disaster or an administrative error by the Department or Departmental contractors	U.S. Department of Education Institutional Financial Management Division, AFMS P.O. Box 23781 Washington, D.C. 20026-0781	January 31, 2002

\* An institution must ensure that its transmission of disbursement records is completed before midnight (local time at the institution's EDE destination point) on October 1, 2001.

\*\* Year-To-Date records may be requested after this date, however, there may not be sufficient time for institutions to receive the file, create a disbursement record batch and submit to the Department by the October 1, 2001 deadline date for receipt of all 2000-2001 requests for payment.

NOTE: RFMS must accept a student origination record for a student from an institution before it accepts a disbursement record from the institution for that student. An institution may submit an origination and a disbursement record for a student in the same transmission.

**Proof of Delivery**

The Department accepts as proof of delivery, if the documents were submitted by mail or by non-U.S. Postal Service courier, one of the following:

(1) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.

(2) A legibly-dated U.S. Postal Service postmark.

**Note:** The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method of proof of mailing, check with the post office at which the submission was mailed. The Department strongly encourages the use of First Class Mail.

(3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial courier.

(4) Other proof of mailing or delivery acceptable to the Secretary.

When submitting a written request for administrative relief, the Department accepts commercial couriers or hand deliveries between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. The address for hand deliveries is listed in Table B.

**Other Sources for Detailed Information on the Application and Automated Processes**

A more detailed discussion of the student application process for the Federal Pell Grant Program is contained in the *2000–2001 Student Guide, Funding Your Education*, the *2000–2001 High School Counselor's Handbook, A Guide to 2000–2001 SARs and ISIRs*, and the *2000–2001 Student Financial Aid Handbook*. A more detailed discussion of the institutional reporting requirements for the Federal Pell Grant Program is contained in the *Federal Student Financial Aid Handbook* and the Information for Financial Aid Professionals web site at <http://www.ifap.ed.gov>.

**Applicable Regulations**

The following regulations apply: (1) Federal Pell Grant Program, 34 CFR part 690, (2) Student Assistance General Provisions, 34 CFR part 668, and (3) Institutional Eligibility, 34 CFR part 600.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP95–363–019]

**El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Implementation Filing**

July 3, 2000.

Take notice that on June 28, 2000, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso) tendered for filing as part of its FERC

Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1–A, the following tariff sheets, with an effective date of July 1, 2000:

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 37

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 38

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 310

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 320

El Paso states that the filing is being made in compliance with the Commission's order issued November 10, 1999 at Docket No. RP95–363–002, *et al.*

El Paso states that the filing implements the pro forma tariff rates and provisions applicable to South California Edison Company contained in El Paso's August 4, 1999 Offer of Settlement.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202–208–2222 for assistance).

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP00–359–000]

**Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes to FERC Gas Tariff**

July 3, 2000.

Take notice that on June 29, 2000, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to become effective July 31, 2000.

Fourteenth Revised Sheet No. 1

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 4000

Second Revised Sheet No. 4001

Original Sheet No. 4002

Original Sheet No. 4003

Koch states that it is proposing to create a new auction process for its