Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: September 11, 2008.

Angela C. Arrington,

IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: New Collection. Title: Targeted Evaluations of State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Agency Practices.

Frequency: Other: One time. Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 80. Burden Hours: 100.

Abstract: The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) is sponsoring a 24-month study entitled, "Targeted Evaluation of State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) agency practices" which will collect information about VR agency practices in several areas. As part of the study, RSA plans to conduct a one-time survey of state VR agencies to collection information about their use of quality assurance procedures and third-party cooperative arrangements. The study will identify promising practices, analyze the effects of specific practices on VR program outcomes and consumers served, and provide information to assist RSA in its efforts to help state agencies ensure effective and efficient delivery of VR services. (A third topic included in the study will be

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review

addressed though other activities.)

may be accessed from http://edicsweb.ed.gov, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3756. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202–4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202–401–0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to *ICDocketMgr@ed.gov* 202–401–1097. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice and Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed collection of information that DOE is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) 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; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before November 17, 2008. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that

period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to Michaela Martin, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, P.O. Box 2008, MS-6070, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-6070 or by fax at 865-241-4152, or by e-mail at martinma@ornl.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Michaela Martin using the contact information listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No.: New; (2) Package Title: Save Energy Now Voluntary Pledge Report; (3) Type of Review: New; (4) Purpose: The Department of Energy is authorized to enter into voluntary agreements with U.S. industry under section 106 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15811). Data will be collected from industry pledge participants, annually, on progress made towards the reduction of energy intensity goals established by the voluntary agreements. The data collected will be used to evaluate the success of the voluntary agreements and to report results to Congress; (5) Respondents: 240; (6) Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 720.

Statutory Authority: Pub. L. No. 109–58, 42 U.S.C. 15811.

Issued in Washington, DC, on September 8, 2008.

John F. Mizroch,

Acting Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13272-000]

Alaska Village Electric Cooperative; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

September 10, 2008.

On August 6, 2008, Alaska Village Electric Cooperative filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Old Harbor Hydroelectric Project (Old Harbor). Old Harbor would be located on the east fork of Mountain Creek, in Kodiak Island Borough, Alaska.

The proposed Old Harbor project would consist of: (1) A 4-foot-high, 30-foot-long concrete diversion; (2) a proposed 6,200-foot-long, varying in diameter from 16-inches to 12-inches steel penstock; (3) a proposed powerhouse containing a 300-kilowatt generator; (4) a proposed tailrace; (5) a proposed 10,700-foot-long transmission line; and appurtenant facilities. The Old Harbor Hydroelectric Project is estimated to have an annual generation of 2.2-gigawatt-hours, which would be sold to a local utility.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Brent Petrie, Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, 4831 Eagle Street, Anchorage, AK 99503; phone (907) 565–5358.

FERC Contact: Patricia W. Gillis, (202) 502–8735.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paperfiled. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission's Web site located at http://www.ferc.gov/filingcomments.asp. More information about this project can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docsfiling/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P–13272) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application for Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

September 9, 2008.

a. *Type of Application:* Non-project use of project lands and waters.

- b. Project Number: 2210-179.
- c. Date Filed: August 22, 2008.
- d. *Applicant:* Appalachian Power Company.
- e. *Name of Project:* Smith Mountain Lake Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: The project is located in Pittsylvania, Bedford, Franklin, and Roanoke Counties, Virginia. The proposed action would occur in Bedford County just north of the town of Kasey along Craddock Creek.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791 (a) 825(r) and 799 and 801.
- h. Applicant Contact: Ms. Elizabeth Parcell, Appalachian Power Company, 996 Old Franklin Turnpike, Rocky Mount, VA 24151, phone: (540) 489– 2540
- i. FERC Contact: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Christopher Yeakel at (202) 502–8132, or e-mail address: christopher.yeakel@ferc.gov.
- j. Deadline for filing comments and or motions: October 10, 2008.
- k. Description of Request:
 Appalachian Power Company requests approval to permit Mr. Donnie Crist to dredge approximately 489 cubic yards of sediment from the area around a private boat dock. The dredge area would include the area around and beneath the dock and would extend approximately 150 feet from the dock into the main channel of the cove. The dimensions of the dredge area would be about 150 feet by 62 feet. The dredged material will be deposited on upland property outside of the project boundary.
- l. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field (p-2210) to access the document. You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/ docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866–208–3372 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

- n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.
- o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", OR "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers (p-2210-179). All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.
- p. Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.
- q. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov under the "e-Filing" link.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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