

**Subtask A**

Subtask A is required for any applicant selected for award and is to be performed in conjunction with the lowest numbered task proposed. The completed report must be received within 90 days of award of the cooperative agreement and will be submitted in accordance with topical report requirements. Relative to gas engine(s), the Participant will do program definition and planning studies that identify all essential steps for enabling the use of an Advanced Natural Gas Reciprocating Engine and meeting the objectives of this solicitation. The elements of these steps will include the critical research and development needs, areas and degree of risk, types and quantities of resources, schedule, and cost.

The report will further define completed distributed energy resource and/or cooling, heating and power systems likely to be available at the successful completion of this project. The Participant will identify and quantify the potential technical markets for such systems. In areas such as energy efficiency, performance, cost, and emissions, the Participant will provide detailed rationale that supports these projections. All barriers such as the lack of uniform code standards that will impact on the technical market will be identified. However, any such barriers that are out of the control of the Participant shall be deemed not to impact on the projected technical market.

**Subtask B**

Subtask B is required to be performed in conjunction with the lowest numbered task of Tasks 3, 4, and/or 5 under which the Participant will do work. The completed report must be received within 180 days of initiation of the lowest numbered Task (3-5) proposed. This report will be submitted in accordance with topical report requirements.

The main impetus for this work is the commercial implementation of an efficient, clean, and cost effective Advanced Natural Gas Reciprocating Engine that is deployed in distributed generation and combined heat and power systems. It is essential that a commercialization plan support the proposed Advanced Natural Gas Reciprocating Engine and achieves the goals of this solicitation (Section 1.1.2). Participants doing work under Tasks 3, 4, or 5 shall complete commercialization plans and strategies for all relevant functions in the commercialization process such as cost-

effective manufacturing, marketing, production volumes, and support for the Participant's engine system.

DOE expects to award three (3) to five (5) cooperative agreements under this solicitation. It is estimated that individual awards will range in value between approximately \$500,000 and \$10,000,000 of DOE funding and will require awardee Cost Sharing.

A minimum non-federal cost sharing commitment of 30% of the total proposed costs for Tasks 1 or 2; 45% of Tasks 3 and 4; and 60% of Task 5 is required. Any non-profit or for-profit organization, university or other institution of higher education, or non-federal agency or entity is eligible to apply, unless otherwise restricted by the Simpson-Craig Amendment. DOE Laboratory participation as a subcontractor is limited to no more than 50% of the cost of any individual task under which the laboratory participates. This amount is further limited to 40% if laboratory participation is proposed under Task 5.

As applicants may apply under one or more of the five tasks within the solicitation Scope of Work, there is a range in the number of potential awards and award values.

Estimated DOE funding is \$40 million over the five-year period. DOE reserves the right to fund any, all, or none of the applications submitted in response to this solicitation. All awards are subject to the availability of funds.

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**John D. Greenwood,**

*Acquisition and Assistance Group Manager.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy****Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed information collection that DOE is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This collection would gather information over a three-year period from participants in the Industrial Assessment Center (IAC)

Program (specifically clients, alumni and web-site users), concerning details of energy, waste, production and cost savings generated through their participation in IAC assessments, or through their use of IAC-sponsored web-sites.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted by August 14, 2000. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be sent to M. Martin, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, PO Box 2008, MS-6070, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-6070; or by FAX at (865) 574-9338; or by e-mail at martinma@ornl.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Collection Title:* Impact Evaluation of IAC Program Participants: Clients, Alumni and Web-users.

*OMB Control Number:* None.

*Type of Request:* New collection.

*Frequency of response:* One time only.

*Respondents:* IAC Program clients, alumni and web-users (businesses and individuals).

*Estimated number of annual respondents:* 570.

*Estimated total annual burden hours:* 355 hours.

**Background**

The Department of Energy, as part of its effort to comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), provides the general public and other Federal agencies with opportunities to comment on collections of information conducted by or in conjunction with DOE. Any comments received help the Department to prepare data requests that maximize the utility of the information collected, and to assess the impact of collection requirements on the public. Also, DOE will later seek approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of the collections under Section 3506(c) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

Data will be collected from IAC participants concerning energy, waste, productivity and cost savings generated through their participation in IAC assessments or through their use of technical information provided by IAC-sponsored web-sites. Data will be collected from clients, program alumni, and IAC web-users using either electronic, web-based surveys or telephone interviews. The data will

provide input for an impact evaluation of the IAC Program, to be used for reporting on program performance in compliance with the Government Performance and Results Act 1993 (GPRA). The evaluation approach and summarized results will be published.

#### Request for Comments

DOE invites comments from prospective respondents and other interested parties on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of data is necessary to measure savings impacts generated by IAC participants; (2) enhancements to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (3) the accuracy of DOE's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (4) any means of minimizing the burden of the collection of information on those who choose to respond; (5) the availability and details of similar information collected by other Federal, State or local industrial assistance programs. Additional information about DOE's proposed information collection may be obtained from the contact person named in this notice.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the form. They also will become a matter of public record.

**Statutory Authority:** Section 3506(c) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

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**Peter J. Grahn,**

*Director, Office of Records and Resource Management.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

##### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-176-001]

##### ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Refund Report

June 5, 2000.

Take notice that on May 30, 2000, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing this refund report as required by Section 154.501(e) of the regulations of the Commission. ANR reports that it made refunds totaling \$1,143,861 on April 28, 2000, consisting of \$1,112,881 in principal and \$30,980 in interest, in compliance with the Commission's letter order dated April 13, 2000 at Docket No. RP00-176-000.

Any person desiring to protest said 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 on or before June 12, 2000. 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. RP000-308-000]

##### ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

June 5, 2000.

Take notice that on May 31, 2000, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing, as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, Third Revised Sheet No. 45E.1 to be effective July 1, 2000.

ANR states that the purpose of this filing is to designate in its tariff a new point eligible for service under its existing Rate Schedule IPLS.

ANR states that copies of the filing have been mailed to all affected customers and state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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. 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 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. RP00-312-000]

##### ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

June 5, 2000.

Take notice that on May 31, 2000, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets proposed to become effective June 1, 2000:

Forty-second Revised Sheet No. 8,  
Forty-second Revised Sheet No. 9,  
Forty-first Revised Sheet No. 13, Fifty-first Revised Sheet No. 18

ANR states that the above-referenced tariff sheets are being filed to implement recovery of approximately \$2.5 million of above-market costs that are associated with its obligations to Dakota Gasification Company ("Dakota"). ANR proposes a reservation surcharge applicable to its Part 284 firm transportation customers to collect ninety percent (90%) of the Dakota costs, and an adjustment to the maximum base tariff rates of Rate Schedule ITS and overrun rates applicable to Rate Schedule FTS-2, so as to recover the remaining ten percent (10%). ANR advises that this filing also includes the annual restatement of the "Eligible MDQ" used to design the reservation surcharge. ANR also advises that the proposed changes would decrease current quarterly Above-Market Dakota Cost recoveries from \$2,586,210 to \$2,543,133.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's rules and regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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. Any person wishing to become a party