

(AB-1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-7092 or (202) 586-6279 (fax).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Openness Advisory Panel is to provide advice to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board regarding the status and strategic direction of the Department's classification and declassification policies and programs, and other aspects of the Department's ongoing Openness Initiative. The Panel's work will help institutionalize the Department's Openness Initiative.

Tentative Agenda

The agenda for the November 17 meeting has not been finalized but will include a discussion of the results of the Openness Advisory Panel's community relations pilot reviews conducted at the Fernald Environmental Management site, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. In addition, the Openness Advisory Panel will review and discuss a draft report documenting the findings and recommendations of the OAP's Community Relations Pilot Review Members of the Public wishing to comment on issues before the Openness Advisory Panel will have an opportunity to address the Panel during a scheduled public comment period.

A final agenda will be available at the meeting.

Public Participation

In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Openness Advisory Panel and submit written comments or comment during the scheduled public comment periods. The Chairman of the Panel is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its meeting in Washington, D.C. the Panel welcomes public comment. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Panel will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. You may submit written comments to Mary Louise Wagner, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, AB-1, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to the late resolution of programmatic issues.

Minutes

A copy of the minutes and a transcript of the meeting will be made available

for public review and copying approximately 30 days following the meeting at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Further information on the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board and its subcommittees may be found at the Board's web site, located at <http://www.hr.doe.gov/seab>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on November 2, 2000.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Secretary of Energy Advisory Board; Notice of Open Teleconference Meeting

AGENCY: Secretary of Energy Advisory Board. Department of Energy.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a open teleconference meeting of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation. The purpose of the teleconference is to discuss the final findings and recommendations of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's National Ignition Facility Laser System Task Force, a subcommittee of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board.

Note: Copies of the draft final report of the National Ignition Facility Laser System Task Force may be obtained from the following internet address <http://www.hr.doe.gov/seab/> or by contacting the Office of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board at (202) 586-7092.

DATES: Monday, November 20, 2000, 1:30 PM-3:00 PM, Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: Participants may call the Office of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board at (202) 586-7092 to reserve a teleconference line and receive a call-in number. Public participation is welcomed. However, the number of teleconference lines are limited and are available on a first come basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary Louise Wagner, Executive Director, or Richard Burrow, Deputy Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-7092 or (202) 586-6279 (fax).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (The Board) is to provide the Secretary of Energy with essential independent advice and recommendations on issues of national importance. The Board and its subcommittees provide timely, balanced, and authoritative advice to the Secretary of Energy on the Department's management reforms, research, development, and technology activities, energy and national security responsibilities, environmental cleanup activities, and economic issues relating to energy. The National Ignition Facility Laser System Task Force, a subcommittee of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, was formed to provide independent external advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board on options to complete the National Ignition Facility (NIF) Project; to recommend the best technical course of action; and to review and assess the risks of successfully completing the NIF Project. The NIF Laser System Task Force was tasked to focus on the engineering and management aspects of the proposed method for accomplishing the assembly and installation of the NIF laser system; to review the full scope of assembly and installation and the ability, within the proposed approach, to achieve the cleanliness requirements established for the operation of the laser. The Task Force's review was also to address: (1) The engineering viability of the proposed assembly and activation method; (2) the assembly and installation cleanliness protocols; (3) the management structure; and (4) the adequacy of the cost estimating methodology. On October 19, 2000 the NIF Laser System Task Force completed their review and approved their final report.

On November 20, the Board will conduct a teleconference to discuss the findings and recommendations contained in the final report of the NIF Laser System Task Force. These findings and recommendations address the engineering and management aspects of the proposed method for accomplishing the assembly and installation of the NIF laser system.

Tentative Agenda

Monday, November 20, 2000

1:30 pm-1:40 pm—Welcome and Opening Remarks—Mr. Andrew Athy, Chairman of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board
1:40 pm-2:00 pm—Overview of the National Ignition Facility Laser System Task Force's Final Findings

and Recommendations—Dr. John McTague, NIF Laser System Task Force Chairman

2:00 pm–2:30 pm—Public Comment Period

2:30 pm–3:00 pm—Board Review and Comment and Action—Mr. Andrew Athy, Chairman of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board

3:00 pm—Adjourn

This tentative agenda is subject to change.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC00-538-001]

Information Collection Submitted for Review and Request for Comments

November 1, 2000.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of submission for review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the energy information collection listed in this notice to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review under provisions of Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13). Any interested person may file comments on the collection of information directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received no comments in response to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of June 15, 2000 (65 FR 37533) and has made this notation in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection of information are best assured of having their full effect if received on or before December 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Address comments to Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Desk Officer, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503. A copy of the comments should also be sent to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attention: Mr. Michael Miller, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 208-2425, and by e-mail at mike.miller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description

The energy information collection submitted to OMB for review contains:

1. *Collection of Information:* FERC-538 "Gas Pipeline Certificate: Section 7(a) Mandatory Initial Service"

(2) *Sponsor:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

(3) *Control No.:* OMB No. 1902-0061. The Commission is now requesting that OMB approve a three-year extension of

the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection. This is a mandatory collection requirement.

(4) *Necessity of Collection of Information:* Submission of the information is necessary to enable the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the provisions of the natural Gas Act (NGS). The information reported under Commission identifier FERC-538 is filed in accordance with Sections 7(a), 10(a) and 16 of the NGA (15 U.S.C. 717-717W). Under the NGA when a local distribution company or municipality makes an application, a natural gas pipeline company may be ordered by the Commission to extend or improve transportation facilities, establish physical connections to serve the entity, and sell natural gas to the applicant. Filings in accordance with Section 7(a) of the NGA are to contain all information necessary to advise the Commission fully concerning the service which the applicant has requested the Commission direct a natural gas pipeline company to provide. Included in the information to be provided should be a description of any improvement or extension of facilities which the natural gas pipeline company will be required to make in connection with the requested service, the applicant's present and proposed operations, construction, service, and sales in order to enable the applicant to engage in the local distribution of natural gas.

5. *Respondent Description:* The respondent universe currently comprises on average, 1 applicant for initial service.

6. *Estimated Burden:* 240 total burden hours, 1 respondent, 1 response annually, 240 hours per response (average).

7. *Estimated Cost Burden to Respondents:* 240 hours ÷ 2,080 hours per year × \$115,357 per year = \$13,310.

Statutory Authority: Sections 7(a), 10(a), and 16 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), (15 U.S.C. 717-717w).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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