

technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

Please comment on (1) the accuracy of our estimate and (2) how the agency could minimize the burden of the collection of information, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

D. What are the estimated (1) total dollar amount annualized for capital and start-up costs, and (2) recurring annual dollar amount of operation and maintenance and purchase of services costs associated with this data collection? The estimates should take into account the costs associated with generating, maintaining, and disclosing or providing the information.

Estimates should not include purchases of equipment or services made as part of customary and usual business practices, or the cost of any burden hours for completing the form(s). EIA estimates that there are no additional costs other than those that the respondent incurs in keeping the information for its own uses.

E. Do you know of any other Federal, State, or local agency that collects similar data? If you do, specify the agency, the data element(s), and the methods of collection.

As a Potential User

A. Can you use data at the levels of detail indicated on the form?

B. For what purpose would you use the data? Be specific.

C. Are there alternate sources of data and do you use them? If so, what are their deficiencies and/or strengths?

D. For the most part, information is published by EIA in U.S. customary units, e.g., cubic feet of natural gas, short tons of coal, and barrels of oil. Would you prefer to see EIA publish more information in metric units, e.g., cubic meters, metric tons, and kilograms? If yes, please specify what information (e.g., coal production, natural gas consumption, and crude oil imports), the metric unit(s) of measurement preferred, and in which EIA publication(s) you would like to see such information.

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)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13).

Issued in Washington, D.C., April 4, 1996.
John Gross,

Acting Director, Office of Statistical Standards, Energy Information Administration.

[FR Doc. 96-9568 Filed 4-17-96; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6450-01-P

Office of Energy Research

DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee; Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is given of a meeting of the DOE/NSF Nuclear Science Advisory Committee.

DATES: Wednesday, May 1, 1996, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hyatt Regency Hotel, Mount Rushmore Room, One South Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Cathy A. Hanlin, Division of Nuclear Physics, U. S. Department of Energy, ER-23, GTN, Germantown, Maryland 20874, Telephone Number: 301-903-3613.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting

To advise the Department of Energy and the National Science Foundation on scientific priorities within the field of basic nuclear science research.

Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, May 1, 1996

- Status of Ongoing NSAC Business including Presentation of Long Range Plan (H. Robertson)
- Discussion of American Physical Society/Division of Nuclear Physics Activity (J.D. Walecka)
- Status of DOE Nuclear Physics Program, and Subsequent Discussion by NSAC (D. Hendrie, DOE)
- Status of NSF Nuclear Physics Program, and Subsequent Discussion by NSAC (J. Lightbody, NSF)
- Presentation of Charge to NSAC on the RHIC Operating Funding Level
- Public Comment

Public Participation

The meeting is open to the public. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Cathy

Hanlin at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral statements must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include the statement in the agenda. The Chairman of the Committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes

The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying 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 holidays.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 10, 1996.

Rachel Murphy Samuel,
Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

[FR Doc. 96-9569 Filed 4-17-96; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6450-01-P

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments (FERC-598)

April 12, 1996.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

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

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

DATES: Consideration will be given to comments submitted on or before June 16, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael P. Miller, Information Services Division, ED-12.4, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael P. Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873 and by e-mail at mmiller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Abstract:* The information collected under the requirements of FERC-598

“Determinations for Entities Seeking Exempt Wholesale Generator Status” (OMB No. 1902-0166) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Section 32 of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 (PUHCA) as added and redesignated by Section 711 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992. Section 32(a) of PUHCA defines an Exempt Wholesale Generator (EWG) as an individual determined by the

Commission to be engaged directly or indirectly through one or more affiliates, and exclusively in the business of owning and/or operating all or part of eligible facilities and selling electric energy at wholesale. An eligible facility may include interconnecting transmission facilities necessary to effect wholesale power sales. Persons granted EWG status will be exempt from regulation under PUHCA. The

Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Part 365.

Action: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection of data.

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

Number of respondents annually (1)	Number of respondents per respondent (2)	Average burden hours per response (3)	Total annual burden hours (1)×(2)×(3)
280	1	6 hours	1680 hours.

Estimated cost burden to respondents: 1680 hours / 2,087 hours per year × \$102,000 per year = \$82,108.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are cost incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) 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; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be

collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.
[FR Doc. 96-9573 Filed 4-17-96; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 6717-01-M

[Docket No. ER96-1195-000]

ANP Energy Direct Company; Notice of Amendment

April 12, 1996.

Take notice that on March 21, 1996, ANP Energy Direct Company filed an amendment to their filing in Docket No. ER96-1195-000.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said amendments should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before April 22, 1996. 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 proceeding. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.
[FR Doc. 96-9518 Filed 4-17-96; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 6717-01-M

[Docket No. CP94-161-005]

Avoca Natural Gas Storage; Notice of Amendment

April 12, 1996.

Take notice that on April 5, 1996, Avoca Natural Gas Storage (Avoca), One Bowdoin Square, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, filed a request with the Director, Office of Pipeline Regulation to develop previously certificated storage caverns in either the “B” or “C” salt layers of the Syracuse and Vernon salts section. The Commission construes this filing as a request pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, to amend the certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the Commission on September 20, 1994 in Docket No. CP94-161-000, all as more fully set forth in the amendment which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Avoca states that the “C” salt layer where the first two caverns were to be developed where less thick than previously anticipated. This decreased thickness would cause the capacity of the caverns to be less than planned. Due to this, Avoca seeks authorization to develop storage caverns in either the “B” or “C” salt layers of the Syracuse and Vernon salts section. Avoca states that the geomechanical performance of caverns in the “B” salt would be similar to the performance of caverns in the “C” salt.

Avoca states that, due to its construction schedule, it requires