

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Funding for this category of SEP Special Projects was offered in the original 1998 Special Projects notice published in the **Federal Register** dated December 4, 1997 (62 FR 64211). Applications received in response to that notice did not cover the total amount of funding available, so DOE is offering States another opportunity to apply for this category of Special Projects.

Availability of Fiscal Year 1998 Funds

With this publication, DOE is announcing the availability of at least \$1,200,000 in financial assistance funds for fiscal year 1998. The awards will be made through a competitive process. The end-use sector program that is participating in this SEP special projects offering for fiscal year 1998, is:

- Utility Technologies: Projects to promote remote applications of solar and renewable energy to reduce or avoid diesel and gasoline power generation.

Restricted Eligibility

Eligible applicants for purposes of funding under this program are limited to the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, or any territory or possession of the United States, specifically, the State energy or other agency responsible for administering the State Energy Program pursuant to 10 CFR part 420. For convenience, the term State in this notice refers to all eligible State applicants.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number assigned to the State Energy Program is 81.041.

Requirements for cost sharing contributions will be addressed in the program guidance/solicitation for the special project activity, as appropriate. Cost sharing beyond any required percentage is desirable.

Any application must be signed by an authorized State official, in accordance with the program guidance/solicitation.

Evaluation Review and Criteria

A first tier review for completeness will occur at the appropriate DOE Regional Support Office. Applications found to be complete will undergo a merit review process by panels comprised of members representing the participating end-use sector program in DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy. A decision as to the applications selected for funding will then be made by the Director, Office of State and Community Programs, or designee, based on the findings of the technical merit review and any stated program policy factors. DOE reserves the right to fund, in whole or in part,

any, all or none of the applications submitted in response to this notice.

More detailed information is available from the U.S. Department of Energy Headquarters at (202) 586-2319.

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 18, 1998.

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Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98-2498-000]

Cobisa-Person Limited Partnership; Notice of Filing

May 18, 1998.

Take notice that on April 22, 1998, the Public Service Company of New Mexico tendered for filing a Certificate of Concurrence the above-referenced docket.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing 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 and protests should be filed on or before May 27, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine 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.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL98-10-001]

Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Notice of Filing

May 18, 1998.

Take notice that on April 20, 1998, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), tendered for filing the following

unilateral contracts between itself and the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART): (1) A Service Agreement for Network Integration Transmission Service, and (2) a Network Operating Agreement.

PG&E is filing these Agreements in compliance with the Commission's March 20, 1998, Order Requiring Utility to Provide Network Transmission Service in Docket No. EL98-10-000. This Order required PG&E to file, within thirty days of the March 20, 1998, Order a network transmission service agreement for BART.

Copies of this filing have been served upon the California Public Utilities Commission, BART, the California Independent System Operator and other intervenors to this proceeding.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing 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 and protests should be filed on or before May 29, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine 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 the file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98-1224-001]

Southern California Edison Company; Notice of Filing

May 18, 1998.

Take notice that on April 28, 1998, Southern California Edison Company tendered for filing executed copies of the Radial Line Agreements for the Coolwater Generating Station and Mandalay Generating Station in the above-referenced docket.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing 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 and protests should be filed on or before May 29, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine 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.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6101-7]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Superfund Site Evaluation and Hazard Ranking System, OMB Control No. 2050-0005 to expire on July 31, 1998. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 22, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone (202) 260-2740, by email at farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov, or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1488.04.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Superfund Site Evaluation and Hazard Ranking System, (EPA ICR No. 1488.04, OMB Control No. 2050-0005) expiring July 31, 1998. This ICR requests an extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA, 1980 and 1986) amends the National Oil and Hazardous

Substances Contingency Plan (NCP) to include criteria prioritizing releases throughout the U.S. before undertaking remedial action at uncontrolled hazardous waste sites. The Hazard Ranking System (HRS) is a model that is used to evaluate the relative threats to human health and the environment posed by actual or potential releases of hazardous substances, pollutants, and contaminants. The HRS criteria take into account the population at risk, the hazard potential of the substances, as well as the potential for contamination of drinking water supplies, direct human contact, destruction of sensitive ecosystems, damage to natural resources affecting the human food chain, contamination of surface water used for recreation or potable water consumption, and contamination of ambient air.

Under this ICR the States will apply the HRS by identifying and classifying those releases that warrant further investigation. The HRS score is crucial since it is the primary mechanism used to determine whether a site is eligible to be included on the National Priorities List (NPL). Only sites on the NPL are eligible for Superfund-financed remedial actions.

HRS scores are derived from the sources described in this information collection, including field reconnaissance, taking samples at the site, and reviewing available reports and documents. States record the collected information on HRS documentation worksheets and include this in the supporting reference package. States then send the package to the EPA region for a completeness and accuracy review, and the Region then sends it to EPA Headquarters for a final quality assurance review. If the site scores above the NPL designated cutoff value, and if it meets the other criteria for listing, it is then eligible to be proposed on the NPL.

An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15. The **Federal Register** Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on March 4, 1998 (63 FR 10607). Three requests for copies of the ICR were received; however, EPA received no comments.

Burden Statement: Depending on the number and type of activities performed, burden for the collection of site assessment information is estimated to range from 53 to 1,899 hours per site.

The number of hours required to assess a particular site depends on how far a site progresses through the site assessment process. Sites where only a pre-CERCLIS screening is performed will typically require approximately 53 hours, while sites that progress to NPL listing will require approximately 1,899 hours. The burden estimates include reporting activities and minimal record keeping activities. The States are reimbursed 100 percent of their costs, except for record maintenance. The ICR does not impose burden for HRS activities on local governments or private businesses. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents: State agencies or Indian Tribes requesting oversight of the site.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 60 States or Indian Tribes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 203,373 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden: 0 (reimbursed by EPA).

Frequency of Response: Periodically/ Per SARA Section 116(b).

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 1488.04 and OMB Control No. 2050-0005 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer,
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OPPE Regulatory Information Division
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401 M Street, S.W.,
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and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,
Office of Management and Budget,
Attention: Desk Officer for EPA,
725 17th Street, NW.,
Washington, DC 20503.