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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests****AGENCY:** Department of Education.**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection requests.**SUMMARY:** The Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.**DATES:** An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by May 25, 1999. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 1, 1999.**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer: Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Comments regarding the regular clearance and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Pat_Sherrill@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (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 Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. 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. ED invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: March 24, 1999.

William E. Burrow,*Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.***Office of Elementary and Secondary Education***Type of Review:* New.*Title:* School Violence Prevention and Early Childhood Development Activities Under the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative.*Abstract:* Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative is to assist schools and communities to enhance and implement comprehensive community-wide strategies for creating safe and drug-free schools and promoting healthy childhood development. Eligible activities may include, but are not limited to, programs such as mentoring, conflict resolution, after school activities, multi-systemic therapy, functional family therapy, social skill

building, school-based probation, student assistance, teen courts, truancy prevention, alternative education, developing information sharing systems, staff/professional development, hiring additional resource officers, etc.

Additional Information: This program is a collaborative effort between the Department of Justice, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Education.*Frequency:* Annually.*Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 425.

Burden Hours: 11,900.

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Dated: March 24, 1999.

William E. Burrow,
Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Educational Research and Improvement

Type of Review: New

Title: Early Childhood Longitudinal Study—Birth Cohort 2000, Field Test and Full Scale Data Collection

Frequency: On occasion

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 2,280

Burden Hours: 3,082

Abstract: The Early Childhood Longitudinal Study—Birth Cohort 2000 (ECLS-B) is a component of the Early Childhood Longitudinal Studies program. Studies also include the Kindergarten Class of 1998–1999, currently underway. The ECLS program responds to increased policy interest in

a critical period in the development of children, the years from zero to three. The principal purposes of the study are to assess children's health status and their growth and development in a variety of key domains that are critical for later school readiness and academic achievement. The key domains include physical health and growth, motor development, and social and emotional maturation.

The data set will provide a comprehensive and reliable longitudinal data set describing the growth of children, from birth through first grade. The data can also be used by a wide range of federal agencies on topics such as maternal and child health; childhood illnesses and disabilities; nonparental child care and early childhood education; health intervention; family economics and composition; welfare dependency; cultural diversity; and food and nutrition.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-406-022]

CNG Transmission Corporation; Notice of Report of Refund

March 24, 1999.

Take notice that on March 16, 1999, CNG Transmission Corporation (CNG), tendered for filing its report of refunds attributable to the resolution of the captioned proceedings. CNG states that the reported refunds reflect CNG's implementation of the rates contained in the Commission-approved Stipulation and Agreement filed on August 31, 1998 (the August 31 Stipulation).

CNG states that the purpose of this filing is to report refunds and associated interest that CNG ultimately resolved with its customers effective February 18, 1999. CNG further states that these refunds were made as a result of CNG's implementation of the settlement rates approved by Commission order dated November 24, 1998, in Docket Nos. RP97-406-000, et al. 85 FERC 61,261 (1998). As detailed in Attachment A to CNG's transmittal letter, CNG's total refund obligation consisted of a principal amount of \$56,664,462.40, plus interest of \$2,626,178.82 through February 18, 1999, for a total refund obligation of \$59,290,641.22.

CNG states that copies of this letter of transmittal and summary workpapers

are being mailed to affected customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before March 31, 1999. 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. GP94-2-007]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Refund Report

March 24, 1999.

Take notice that on February 23, 1999, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia) tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission its Refund Report made to comply with the April 17, 1995 Settlement in Docket No. GP94-02, et al. as approved by the Commission on June 15, 1995.

Columbia states that on February 20, 1999 it made refunds, as billing credits, in the amount of \$251,162.75. The refunds represent a deferred tax refund received from Trailblazer Pipeline Company. These refunds were made pursuant to Article VIII, Section E of the Settlement using the allocation percentages shown on Appendix G, Schedule 5 of the Settlement with FERC Interest.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before March 31, 1999. 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