agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM93–11–000]

Revisions to Oil Pipeline Regulations Pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 1992

May 19, 2000.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of annual change in the Producer Price Index for Finished Goods, minus one percent.

SUMMARY: The Commission is issuing the index that oil pipelines must apply to their July 1, 1999–June 30, 2000 index ceiling levels to compute their index ceiling levels for the period July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001, in accordance with 18 CFR 342.3(d). This index, which is the percent change (expressed as a decimal) in the annual average Producer Price Index for Finished Goods from 1998 to 1999, minus one percent, is 0.007598. Oil pipelines must multiply their July 1, 1999–June 30, 2000 index ceiling levels by 1.007598 to compute their index ceiling levels for the period July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Ulevich, Office of Markets, Tariffs, and Rates, Corporate Applications, Group 2, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208–0678.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the Internet through FERC's Home Page (*http://www./ferc./fed.us*) and in FERC's Public Reference Room during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time) at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426.

From FERC's Home Page on the Internet, this information is available in both the Commission Issuance Posting System (CIPS) and the Records and Information management System (RIMS).

CIPS provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission since November 14, 1994. CIPS can be accessed using the CIPS link or the Energy Information Online icon. The full text of this document is available on CIPS in ASCII and WordPerfect 8.0 format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading.

RIMS contains images of documents submitted to an issued by the Commission after November 16, 1981. Documents from November 1995 to the present can be viewed and printed from FERC's Home page using the RIMS link or the Energy Information Online icon. Descriptions of documents back to November 16, 1981, are also available from RIMS-on-the-Web; requests for copies of these and other older documents should be submitted to the Public Reference Room.

User assistance is available for RIMS, CIPS, and the Website during normal business hours from our Help line at (202) 208–222 (E-Mail to *WebMaster@ferc.fed.us*) or the Public Reference at (202) 208–1371 (E-Mail to *public.reference room@ferc.fed.us*).

During normal business hours, documents can also be viewed and/or printed in FERC's Public Reference Room where RIMS, CIPS, and the FERC Website are available. User assistance is also available.

The Commission's regulations include a methodology for oil pipelines to change their rates through use of an index system that establishes ceiling levels for such rates. The index system as set forth at 18 CFR 342.3 is based on the annual change in the Producer Price Index for Finished Goods (PPI–FG), minus one percent. The regulations provide that each year the Commission will publish an index reflecting the final change in the PPI–FG, minus one percent, after the final PPI–FG is made available by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in May of each calendar year.

The annual average PPI–FG index figure for 1998 was 130.7 and the annual average PPI–FG index figure for 1999 was 133.0.[1] Thus, the percent change (expressed as a decimal) in the annual average PPI–FG from 1998 to 1999, minus one percent is 0.007598.[2] Oil pipelines must multiply their July 1, 1999–June 30, 2000 index ceiling levels by 1.007598[3] to compute their index ceiling levels for the period July 1, 2000, through June 30, 2001, in accordance with 18 CFR 342.3(d).

To obtain July 1, 1999–June 30, 2000 ceiling levels, pipelines must first calculate their ceiling levels for the January 1, 1995–June 30, 1995 index period, by multiplying their December 31, 1994 rates by 1.002175. Pipelines must then multiply those ceiling levels by 0.996415 to obtain the July 1, 1995–June 30, 1996 ceiling levels. Then pipelines must multiply their July 1, 1995–June 30, 1996 ceiling levels by 1.009124 to obtain the July 1, 1996–June 30, 1997 ceiling levels, and multiply the July 1, 1996–June 30, 1997 ceiling levels by 1.016583 to obtain the July 1, 1997–June 30, 1998 ceiling levels. Pipelines then must multiply the July 1, 1997–June 30, 1998 ceiling levels by 0.993808 to obtain the July 1, 1998–June 30, 1999 ceiling levels. Then, pipelines must multiply the July 1, 1998–June 30, 1999 ceiling levels by 0.981654 to obtain the July 1, 1999–June 30, 2000 ceiling levels. Finally, pipelines must multiply the July 1, 1999–June 30, 2000 ceiling levels by 1.007698 to obtain the July 1, 2000–June 30, 2001 ceiling levels. *See Explorer Pipeline Company*, 71 FERC ¶ 61,416 at n.6 (1995) for an explanation of how ceiling levels must be calculated.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98–1–000]

Regulations Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

May 19, 2000.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(h), of the receipt of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive an exempt or a prohibited off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested on-the-record proceeding,

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[1] The final figure for the annual average PPI–FG is published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in mid-May of each year. This figure is publicly available from the Division of Industrial Prices and Price Indexes of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, at (202) 606–7705, and is available in print in August in Table 1 of the annual data supplement to the BLS publication *Producer Price Indexes.* The PPI data are also available via the Internet. The Internet address is *http://www.fedstats.gov.* This site contains data from a number of government agencies; to obtain the BLS data, click on agencies, then click on Bureau of Labor Statistics, then click on data, Most Requested Series, scroll to Producer Price Indexes-Commodities (Finished Goods), for the latest available data.

[2] [133.0–130.7]/130.7=0.017598–.01=0.007598.

[3] 1+(0.007598)=1.007598.

the deliver a copy of the communication, if written, or summary of the substance of any oral communication, to the Secretary.

Prohibited communications will be included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such requests only when in determines that fairness so requires.

Exempt off-the-record communications will be included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications received in the Office of the Secretary within the preceding 14 days. The document may be viewed on the Internet at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202–208–2222 for assistance).

Exempt

1. Project Nos. 2687, 2699, 2019	5–10–00	Frank Winchell.
2. CP00–14–000	5–1–00	Kim Jessen.
3. CP00–14–000	4–18–00	Janet Rowe.
4. CP00–14–000	4–11–00	Sneed Collard.
5. CP00–14–000	4–11–00	Sneed Collard.
6. CP00–36–000	5–1–00	Anne E. Haaker.
7. CP98–143–000	4–20–00	Clyde N. Thompson.
8. Project Nos. 11563, 2019 and 2699	5–10–00	Chuck Whatford.
19. Project No. 2197–038	5–12–00	Steve Kartalia, FERC.
10. Project No. 2055–006	5–15–00	Dianne Rodman, FERC.
11. CP00–14–000	5–2–00	Bill Sendelbach.
12. CP00–14–000	5–8–00	Joe Peterson.
13. CP00–14–000	5–11–00	Joe Peterson.
14. CP00–14–000	5–11–00	Todd Mattson.
15. CP00–14–000	5–11–00	Todd Mattson.
16. CP00–14–000	4–24–00	James J. Slack.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Public Information Collections Approved by Office of Management and Budget

May 19, 2000.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has received Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the following public information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. 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 control number. For further information contact Shoko B. Hair, Federal Communications Commission, (202) 418–1379.

Federal Communications Commission

OMB Control No.: 3060–0715.

Expiration Date: 06/30/2001.

Title: Implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996: Telecommunications Carriers' Use of Customer Proprietary Network Information and Other Customer Information—CC Docket 96–115.

Form No.: N/A.

Respondents: Business or other for profit.

Estimated Annual Burden: 6832 respondents; 90.28 hours per response (avg). 616,817 total annual burden hours (for all collections under this control number).

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: $229,520,000.

Frequency of Response: On occasion; One-time requirement; Recordkeeping; Third party disclosure. *Description:* In the Order on Reconsideration in CC Docket No. 96–115 (released 9/3/99), the Commission reconsidered the previous CPNI Order, addressed petitions for forbearance from the requirements, and established rules to implement section 222. Among other things, carriers are permitted to use CPNI, without customer approval, under certain conditions. (Number of respondents: 4832; hours per response 39 hours; total annual burden: 188,448 hours). Carriers must obtain express customer approval to use CPNI to market service outside the customer's existing service relationship. (Number of respondents: 4832; hours per response: 30 minutes; total annual burden 2416 hours). Carriers must provide a one-time notification of customer's CPNI rights prior to any solicitation for approval. (Number of respondents: 4832; hours per response: 78 hours; total annual burden: 376,896 hours). Pursuant to this one-time notification requirement, these carriers must maintain a record of such notifications for a period of at least one year. (Number of respondents: 4832; hours per response: 30 minutes; total annual burden 2416 hours). Telecommunications carriers must establish a supervisory review process regarding carrier compliance with the rules in Part 64 for outbound marketing situations. (Number of respondents: 4832; hours per response: 15 minutes; total annual burden: 1208 hours). All telecommunications carriers must obtain on an annual basis a certification signed by a current officer attesting that he or she has personal knowledge that the carrier is in compliance with the Commission's rules and to create an accompanying statement explaining how the carriers are implementing the rules and safeguards. (Number of respondents: 4832; hours per response: 1 hour; total annual burden: 4832 hours). LECs must disclose aggregate customer information to others upon request, when they use or disclose the aggregate customer information for marketing service to which the customer does not subscribe. (Number of respondents: 1400; hours per response: 1 hours; total annual burden: 1400 hours). Section 22(c)(2) requires carriers