

TABLE 7—ESTIMATED COSTS FOR SMALL BATCH TASK—Continued

Grade level	Number of hours (annual)	Total compensation per hour	Total annual cost
Total .....	642	.....	76,122

We estimate the annualized cost to the CPSC of \$958,533, by adding the four categories of work related to the Database summarized in Tables 4 through 7 (Reports of Harm (\$789,459) + MII Claims (\$79,632) + Manufacturer Comments (\$13,320) + Small Batch Identification (\$76,122) = \$958,533).

This information collection renewal request is based on an estimated 7,024 burden hours per year for the Database, which represents a decrease of 6,319 hours since this collection of information was last approved by OMB in 2019. Total burden from reports of harm decreased by 4,647 hours (from 6,546 to 1,899), and total burden for manufacturer’s submission decreased by 1,672 hours, from 6,797 to 5,125. Declines in total burden hours are attributed to a decline in the number of reports of harm submitted by mail, email, and fax. However, CPSC staff discovered that the 2019 update for this control number contained an error that increased the estimated burden, by inadvertently including a large number of death certificates collected by CPSC staff in the reports of harm submitted by mail, email, and fax. In addition, for this update there was a decrease in small batch manufacturer activity.

**D. Request for Comments**

The CPSC solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed collection of information. The CPSC specifically solicits information relevant to the following topics:

- Whether the collection of information described above is necessary for the proper performance of the CPSC’s functions, including whether the information would have practical utility.
- Whether the estimated burden of the proposed collection of information is accurate.
- Whether the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected could be enhanced.
- Whether the burden imposed by the collection of information could be minimized by using automated, electronic, or other technological

collection techniques, or other forms of information technology.

**Alberta E. Mills,**  
*Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Committee Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees—Department of Defense Wage Committee**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Committee renewal of federal advisory committee.

**SUMMARY:** The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the Department of Defense Wage Committee (“the DoD Wage Committee”).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703–697–1142.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The DoD Wage Committee is being renewed, pursuant to 5 CFR 532.227(a), as directed by 5 U.S.C. 5343(c), and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C., Appendix) and 41 CFR 102–3.50(c), and as part of the renewal process, the DoD is filing a new DoD Wage Committee charter along with its membership balance plan. The charter and contact information for the DoD Wage Committee’s Designated Federal Officer (DFO) are found at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/apex/FACAPublicAgencyNavigation>.

The DoD Wage Committee provides independent advice and recommendations on matters relating to the conduct of wage surveys and the establishment of wage schedules for all appropriated fund and non-appropriated fund wage areas. The DoD Wage Committee, as directed by 5 CFR 532.209 and 532.227 and the Office of Personnel Management Operating Manual, Federal Wage System, Appropriated and Non-Appropriated

Funds, S3–2 Agency Level, provides the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense (“the DoD Appointing Authority”), through the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)), independent advice and recommendations on all matters relating to the conduct of wage surveys and the establishment of wage schedules for all appropriated fund and non-appropriated fund wage areas of blue-collar employees within the Federal Wage System.

The DoD Wage Committee shall: (a) consider and makes recommendations to the DoD on any matter involved in developing specifications for a wage survey on which the DoD proposes not to accept the recommendations of a local wage survey committee and any matters on which a minority report has been filed; (b) consider the survey data, upon completion of a wage survey, of the local wage survey committee’s report and recommendations, and the statistical analyses and proposed pay schedules derived from them, as well as any other data or recommendations pertinent to the survey, and recommends wage schedules to the pay-fixing authority; and (c) have a majority of the DoD Wage Committee to constitute a decision and recommendation of the DoD Wage Committee, but a member of the minority may file a report with the DoD Wage Committee’s recommendations. All DoD Wage Committee work will be in response to written terms of reference approved by the DoD Appointing Authority or the USD(P&R), unless otherwise provided by in statute or Presidential directive.

The DoD Wage Committee; pursuant to 5 CFR 532.227(b), shall consist of five members, with the chairperson and two members designated by the head of the DoD. Of the remaining two members, pursuant to 5 CFR 532.227(b)(1), one member shall be designated by each of the two labor organizations having the largest number of wage employees covered by exclusive recognition in the DoD. The other two members shall have management backgrounds.

The appointment of DoD Wage Committee members will be approved by the DoD Appointing Authority, for a term of service of one-to-two years, with

annual renewal, in accordance with DoD policy and procedures. No member, unless approved by the DoD Appointing Authority, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service on the DoD Wage Committee or serve on more than two DoD Federal advisory committees at one time.

DoD Wage Committee members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or active duty members of the Uniformed Services, shall be appointed pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.130(a) to serve as regular government employee members. As determined by the DoD Appointing Authority, the individuals designated by each of the two labor organizations having the largest number of wage employees covered by exclusive recognition in the DoD shall be appointed pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.130(a) to serve as representative members consistent with 5 CFR 532.227(b)(1). Individual members who are appointed to serve as representative members shall represent the views of their designated labor organizations. All other members of the DoD Wage Committee are appointed to exercise their own best judgment on behalf of the DoD, without representing any particular point of view, and to discuss and deliberate in a manner that is free from conflict of interest. With the exception of reimbursement of official DoD Wage Committee-related travel and per diem, DoD Wage Committee members serve without compensation.

The DoD Appointing Authority shall appoint the DoD Wage Committee's leadership from among the membership previously approved to serve on the DoD Wage Committee in accordance with DoD policy and procedures for a term of service of one-to-two years, with annual renewal, not to exceed the member's approved appointment.

The public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the DoD Wage Committee membership about the DoD Wage Committee's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the DoD Wage Committee. All written statements shall be submitted to the DFO for the DoD Wage Committee, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

Dated: December 5, 2022.

**Aaron T. Siegel,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP23–19–000]

#### National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization and Establishing Intervention and Protest Deadline

Take notice that November 22, 2022, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel) filed a prior notice request for authorization, in accordance with 18 CFR Sections 157.205, 157.208, 157.210 and 157.216 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations under the Natural Gas Act and National Fuel's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83–4–000 to construct, own, and operate (1) approximately 2.4 miles of new 12-inch-diameter pipeline and appurtenances on the Line SNY Lateral; (2) replace approximately 6.4 miles of 12-inch-diameter vintage bare steel pipe on Line SNY; (3) abandon approximately 8.1 miles of 12-inch-diameter vintage bare steel pipe; and (4) increase the maximum allowable operating pressure of Line SNY. All of the facilities are located in Erie County, New York. National Fuel estimates that the cost of the project will be approximately \$30 million, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

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 the Commission's Home Page (<http://ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID–19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (886) 208–3676 or TYY, (202) 502–8659.

Any questions concerning this application should be directed to Margaret Sroka, Senior Attorney, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation, 6363 Main Street, Williamsville, New York 14221, by telephone at (716) 857–

7066, or by email at [sroka@natfuel.com](mailto:sroka@natfuel.com).

Pursuant to Section 157.9 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure,<sup>1</sup> within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental review and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or environmental assessment (EA) for this proposal. The filing of an EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

#### Public Participation

There are three ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project: you can file a protest to the project, you can file a motion to intervene in the proceeding, and you can file comments on the project. There is no fee or cost for filing protests, motions to intervene, or comments. The deadline for filing protests, motions to intervene, and comments is 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on January 31, 2023. How to file protests, motions to intervene, and comments is explained below.

#### Protests

Pursuant to section 157.205 of the Commission's regulations under the NGA,<sup>2</sup> any person<sup>3</sup> or the Commission's staff may file a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed or if a protest is filed and then withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request for authorization will be considered by the Commission.

Protests must comply with the requirements specified in section 157.205(e) of the Commission's

<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) § 157.9.

<sup>2</sup> 18 CFR 157.205.

<sup>3</sup> Persons include individuals, organizations, businesses, municipalities, and other entities. 18 CFR 385.102(d).