

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request; Correction**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: The Department of Education published a document in the **Federal Register** of June 21, 2000, concerning a request for comments on the Evaluation of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Program. The reporting and recordkeeping responses on this document were incorrectly stated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jacqueline Montague, 202-708-5359.

Correction

In the **Federal Register** of June 21, 2000, in FR Doc 00-15573, on page 38521, in the 1st column, correct the "Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden" to read:

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 18,780; Burden Hours: 41,090.

Dated: June 29, 2000.

John Tressler,

Leader, Regulatory Information Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**The Use of Tests When Making High-Stakes Decisions for Students: A Resource Guide for Educators and Policymakers**

AGENCY: Office for Civil Rights, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of availability of draft document and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights announces the availability for public comment of a draft document entitled "The Use of Tests When Making High-Stakes Decisions for Students: A Resource Guide for Educators and Policymakers." The resource guide is designed to provide educators and policymakers with a useful, practical tool that will assist in their development and implementation of policies that involve the use of tests in making high-stakes decisions for students. The guide provides information about relevant Federal non-discrimination standards and professionally recognized test measurement principles, as well as a collection of resources related to the non-discrimination and test

measurement principles discussed in the guide.

DATES: We must receive your comments on the draft document on or before August 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments and requests for copies of the draft document to Jeanette J. Lim, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 5212 Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-1100. Telephone: (202) 205-5557 or 1-800-421-3481. For all comments submitted by letter, you must include the term "Testing Comments." If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the TDD number at (202) 260-0471 or 1-800-USA-LEARN. The draft document is also available through the Internet at the following site: <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OCR/testing>.

If you prefer to send your comments through the Internet, use the following address: ocr@ed.gov

You must include the term "Testing Comments" in the subject line of your electronic message.

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Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audio-tape, or computer diskette) by contacting the Office for Civil Rights' Customer Service Team at (202) 205-5557 or 1-800-421-3481.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the draft resource guide is to provide educators and policymakers with information about Federal non-discrimination standards and test measurement principles concerning the proper use of tests in making high-stakes decisions for students. The Department is accepting public comments on the draft resource guide.

Earlier versions of the draft resource guide have been reviewed by the National Academy of Science's Board on Testing and Assessment (BOTA), the U.S. Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division (CRD), and dozens of groups and individuals, including educators, parents, teachers, business leaders, policymakers, and others. BOTA conducted a public hearing on the resource guide on January 26, 2000. This draft seeks to respond to BOTA's, CRD's and other stakeholders' comments.

Invitation To Comment

We invite you to submit comments regarding this draft resource guide.

During and after the comment period, you may inspect all comments received during the public comment period in room 5036, Switzer Building, 330 C Street, SW., Washington, DC, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday of each week except Federal holidays.

Assistance to Individuals With Disabilities in Reviewing the Public Record

On request, we will supply an appropriate aid, such as a reader or print magnifier, to an individual with a disability who needs assistance to review the comments or other documents in the public record for this draft resource guide. If you want to schedule an appointment for this type of aid, you may call (202) 205-8113 or (202) 260-9895. If you use a TDD, you may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

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Note: The official version of this notice is the document published in the **Federal Register**. Free Internet access to the official edition of the **Federal Register** and the Code of Federal Regulations is available on GPO Access at: <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/index.html>

Dated: June 28, 2000.

Norma V. Cantu,

Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. EA-227]

**Application to Export Electric Energy;
New York Independent System
Operator, Inc.**

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: New York Independent System Operator, Inc. (NYISO) has applied for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act. In addition, NYISO is requesting expedited approval for their application.

DATES: Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before July 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-287-5736).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Mintz (Program Office) 202-586-9506 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-2793.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On June 27, 2000, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) received an application from NYISO to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada. NYISO is a not-for-profit New York corporation. NYISO does not own or control any electric power generation facilities, nor does it have a franchised electric power service area. NYISO does possess operational control over the transmission facilities in the state of New York. Those facilities continue to be owned by a group formerly known as the Member Systems of the New York Power Pool.

Two types of energy exports are proposed. First, in unforeseen circumstances, NYISO will make available emergency energy from its available generating capacity when a system emergency exists on Ontario's or Quebec's system or on the system of a third-party control area. A second type of energy export that may occur is an inadvertent energy transaction. Inadvertent energy is the difference between the actual metered energy interchange and the scheduled energy interchange between two adjacent control areas during transactions with Canada by others pursuant to their own export authority.

NYISO proposes to arrange for the delivery of electric energy to Canada over the existing international transmission facilities owned by Long

Sault, Inc., New York Power Authority, and Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation. The construction, operation, maintenance, and connection of each of the international transmission facilities to be utilized by NYISO, as more fully described in the application, has previously been authorized by a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended.

Procedural Matters

Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the NYISO application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-227. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Michael C. Calimano, Vice President Operations & Reliability, Rob Fernandez, General Counsel, New York Independent System Operator, Inc., 3890 Carman Road, Schenectady, NY 12303 AND Arnold H. Quint, Edwin G. Kichline, Hunton & Williams, 1900 K Street, NW., Suite 1200, Washington, DC 20006.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Electricity" and then "Pending Proceedings" from the options menus.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on June 30, 2000.

Anthony J. Como,

Deputy Director, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex, Office of Coal & Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Chicago Operations Office; Office of Science; Notice of Solicitation for Financial Assistance Applications for the Commercialization Assistance Program (CAP)

AGENCY: DOE, Chicago Operations Office.

ACTION: Notice inviting financial assistance applications.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Science (SC), announces its interest in receiving applications for financial assistance. The purpose of this solicitation is to invite applications from small businesses to provide individualized assistance to DOE SBIR Phase II financial assistance award recipients which will lead to the successful commercialization of products, services, or technology developed in the DOE SBIR Phase II program. The individualized assistance may include, but is not limited to, business related areas such as raising capital, preparing business plans, forecasts, product focusing, strategic partnering, and marketing.

DATE: Applications are to be received no later than August 8, 2000, and may be submitted any time prior to this deadline.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tonja L. Stokes, Acquisitions and Assistance Group, U.S. Department of Energy, Chicago Operations Office, 9800 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, IL 60439-4899, by telephone at 630/252-2136, by facsimile at 630/252-5045, or by electronic mail at tonja.stokes@ch.doe.gov, or Renee L. Irwin by telephone at 630/252-2566, by facsimile at 630/252-5045, or by electronic mail at renee.irwin@ch.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Qualification and Evaluation Criteria

This solicitation is a restricted eligibility solicitation which is limited to small businesses. For purposes of this solicitation, the definition of a small business may be found at Title 13 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 121.20 and may be viewed or downloaded from the Internet at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/index.html>. DOE plans to select for award the application(s) judged to be of the highest overall merit, with consideration given to the quality of the technical approach, company and personnel experience and qualifications, business evaluation, and cost factors.