**DATES:** Submit comments on or before November 28, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comment should be addressed to David O'Neill at the Peace Corps, 111 20th Street, NW., Attn: OMS, Washington, DC 20526, or call 202–692–1577, or email at

doneill@peacecorps.gov. Email comments must be made in text and not in attachments.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 0420–0510. Title: Health Status Review/Report of Medical Exam.

Forms No: PC 1789/PC 1790.

Type of Review: Renewal, without change, of a previously approved collection that will expire November 30, 2000.

Respondents: Public.

Number of Respondents: None.
Needs and Uses: The PC 1789/PC
1790 usage is necessary to comply with
the Peace Corps Act (Section 5(e))
which states that applicants for
enrollment shall receive such health
examinations preparatory to their
services \* \* \* as the President may
deem necessary or appropriate \* \* \* to
provide the information needed for
clearance, and to serve as a reference for
any future Volunteer medical clearance,
and to serve as a reference for any future
Volunteer disability claim.

Issued in Washington, DC on October 24, 2000.

# Doug Greene,

Chief, Information Officer and Associate Director for Management.

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#### RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

# Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including

whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title and Purpose of Information Collection

Self-Employment and Substantial Service Questionnaire; OMB 3220–0138

Section 2 of the Railroad Retirement Act (RRA) provides for payment of annuities to qualified employees and their spouses. In order to receive an age and service annuity, Section 2(e)(3) states that an applicant must stop all railroad work and give up any rights to return to such work. A disability applicant must give up all railroad work, but does not have to relinquish rights to return to railroad work until he or she attains full retirement age, or, if earlier, a spouse annuity or supplemental annuity becomes payable. Under the 1988 amendments to the RRA, an applicant is no longer required to stop work for a "Last Pre-Retirement Nonrailroad Employer" (LPE). LPE is the last person, company or institution with whom an employee or spouse applicant was employed concurrently with, or after, the applicant's last railroad employment and before their annuity beginning date. However, section 2(f)(6) of the RRA requires that a portion of the employee's Tier II benefit and supplemental annuity be deducted for earnings from a "LPE" employer.

The RRB utilizes Form AA–4, Self-Employment and Substantial Service Questionnaire to obtain information needed to determine if the applicant's work is LPE, railroad service or self-employment. If the work is self-employment, the questionnaire identifies any months in which the applicant did not perform substantial service. One response is requested of each respondent. Completion is voluntary. However, failure to complete the forms could result in the nonpayment of benefits.

The RRB proposes minor nonburden impacting editorial and formatting changes to Form AA–4. The completion time for the AA–4 is estimated at between 40 and 70 minutes. The RRB

estimates that approximately 1,500 AA–4's are completed annually.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information or to obtain a

copy of the information collection justification, forms, and/or supporting material, please call the RRB Clearance Officer at (312) 751–3363. Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611–2092. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

## Chuck Mierzwa,

Clearance Officer.

[FR Doc. 00–28182 Filed 11–1–00; 8:45 am]

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 35-27262]

# Filings Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as Amended ("Act") October 26, 2000

Notice is hereby given that the following filing(s) has/have been made with the Commission pursuant to provisions of the Act and rules promulgated under the Act. All interested persons are referred to the application(s) and/or declaration(s) for complete statements of the proposed transaction(s) summarized below. The application(s) and/or declaration(s) and any amendment(s) is/are available for public inspection through the Commission's Branch of Public Reference.

Interested persons wishing to comment or request a hearing on the application(s) and/or declaration(s) should submit their views in writing by November 20, 2000, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, DC 20549-0609, and serve a copy on the relevant applicant(s) and/ or declarant(s) at the address(es) specified below. Proof of service (by affidavit or, in the case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing should identify specifically the issues of facts or law that are disputed. A person who so requests will be notified of any hearing, if ordered, and will receive a copy of any notice or order issued in the matter. After November 20, 2000, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

#### AEP Credit, Inc. (70–7218)

AEP Credit, Inc. ("Credit"), 1616 Woodall Rodgers Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75202, a nonutility subsidiary company of American Electric Power Company, Inc. ("AEP"), 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus, Ohio 43215, a registered holding company, has file a posteffective amendment under sections 6(a), 7, 9(a), 10 and 12(b) of the Act and rule 54 under the Act, to a previously file application-declaration.

By order dated December 13, 1996 (HCAR No. 26627), Credit was authorized, through December 31, 2000, to factor the accounts receivable of associate and nonassociate utilities companies, provided that the average amount of nonassociate utility receivables for the proceeding 12 month period outstanding as of the end of any calendar month would be less than the average amount of receivables acquired from associate companies outstanding as of the end of each calendar month during the preceding 12 month period ("50% Restriction").

Credit now seeks to extend its authority to factor the accounts receivable of associate and nonassociate utility company through September 30, 2005, subject to the 50% Restriction.

#### Unitil Corporation (70-9633)

Unitil Corporation ("Unitil"), a registered holding company, and its public utility subsidiary companies, Concord Electric Company, Exeter & Hampton Electric Company, Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company ("Fitchburg") and Unitil Power Corporation (collectively, "Subsidiaries"), all located at 6 Liberty Lane West, Hampton, New Hampshire 03842–1720, have filed a post-effective amendment under sections 6(a), 7, 9(a) and 10 of the Act and rules 43 and 54 under the Act to an application-declaration previously filed under the

By orders dated June 30, 1997 and June 9, 2000 (HCAR Nos. 26737 and 27182) ("Orders"), among other things, Unitil was authorized to issue and sell short-term notes ("Notes") to banks in an aggregate outstanding amount not exceeding \$25 million ("Short-Term Debt Limitation") and to operate, and lend funds to members of, the Unitil system money pool ("Money Pool"), through June 30, 2003. The Orders provided that Unitil's short-term debt would bear interest at the lending bank's base, prime or money market rate and mature not more than nine months from issuance.

Unitil now proposes to increase the Short-Term Debt Limitation from \$25 million to \$35 million, through June 30, 2003. The Notes will be issued under the same terms and conditions as provided by the Orders. The proceeds may be used to fund the Money Pool; however, Fitchburg is not requesting

increased authority to effect Money Pool borrowings.

For the Commission by the Division of Investment Management, pursuant to delegated authority.

#### Jonathan G. Katz,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

# [Public Notice 3461]

# Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs; English Language Fellow Program

NOTICE: Request for proposals.

SUMMARY: The Office of English
Language Programs of the Bureau of
Educational and Cultural Affairs
announces an open competition for the
2001 English Language Fellow Program.
The program consists of English
Language Fellows, who are recent
TEFL/TESL M.A. graduates (within the
last five years), and senior English
Language Fellows, who are experienced
English as a foreign language teacher
trainers.

Public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in IRS regulation 26 CFR 1.501[c] may submit proposals to administer and manage the English Language Fellow Program, which is designed to provide universities, binational centers, teacher-training colleges, ministries of education and other educational language institutions worldwide with professionally trained American expertise in English as a Foreign Language (EFL).

The goal of this program is to promote the teaching of English to facilitate democratic institution building and to encourage participation in the global economy. An introduction to American English, methodology and materials opens the door for advanced study in the U.S., and to develop and promote mutual understanding.

#### **Program Information**

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs is soliciting proposals from U.S. non-profit educational institutions/organizations to manage and administer the 2001 English Language Fellow Programs. English Language Fellows must be U.S. citizens. The programs are for an eleven-month period beginning with academic year 2001–2002. One-year extensions will be granted only under exceptional circumstances, and require agreement of

the Bureau, U.S. Embassy, host institution, and the fellow.

The English Language Fellows are not employees of the Bureau or the grantee organization. Selection of countries which will receive English Language Fellows will be made by the Bureau. The programs have placed over 250 English language professionals worldwide in the past five years, promoting English Teaching as a response to the dramatic increase in the demand for English caused by political and/or economic changes.

The program is open to English language professionals at two different levels:

A. The English Language Fellows are recent TEFL/TESL M.A. graduates (within the last five years) who provide expertise to institutions selected by U.S. Embassies abroad while gaining international teaching experience. The fellows serve as full-time teachers of English as a Foreign Language (EFL). They may teach up to 20 hours of English a week in the host program. In addition, they may be asked to work in materials and test development or teacher-training activities. They should not be assigned administrative duties. The sum of all duties should not exceed 40 hours per week.

B. The senior English Language Fellows are experienced EFL trainers who have a M.A. or higher degree in TEFL/TESL or a closely related field and have overseas teacher training experience. The senior fellows serve as full-time teacher trainers of English as a foreign language as well as serving in program-related activities such as: (1) Teaching English for Specific Purposes (ESP) in a variety of professional fields such as business, law and economics; (2) designing and developing EFL curricula and materials; (3) conducting program evaluation and design; (4) testing; and (5) organizing and hosting country-wide workshops and conferences.

The grant period should begin on/about January 15, 2001 and extend through September 30, 2002.

The grantee organization is responsible for the management and administrative aspects of the program, which include the following:

- —Recruitment, selection and placement of approximately 24 English Language Fellows and approximately 36 senior English Language Fellows in all areas of the world at universities, binational centers, teacher-training colleges, ministries of education and other educational language institutions;
- —Pre-departure orientations;
- —Mid-year senior English Language Fellow conference (optional);