

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 the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: December 7, 2004.

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### Office of Postsecondary Education

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) Application for Partnership Grants.

*Frequency:* One-time.

*Affected Public:* State, local, or tribal gov't, SEAs or LEAs; not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 1,000.

*Burden Hours:* 40,000.

*Abstract:* The purpose of this information collection is to allow Partnerships to apply for funding under the Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) program. The information collected in the GEAR UP application package allows the Department to make determinations as to whether potential applicants are eligible for GEAR UP funding and to allow field readers to score and rank applications for the Department to make funding determinations.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 2647. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address [OCIO\\_RIMG@ed.gov](mailto:OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov) or faxed to (202) 245-6621. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart at his e-mail address [Joe.Schubart@ed.gov](mailto:Joe.Schubart@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information

Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notice

**AGENCY:** United States Election Assistance Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting agenda (amended).

**DATES AND TIME:** Tuesday, December 14, 2004, 10 a.m.-12 noon.

**PLACE:** U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave., NW., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005, (Metro Stop: Metro Center).

**AGENDA:** The Commission will receive updates and reports on the following: Title II Requirements Payments; Budget Update; EAC's 2005 HAVA Implementation Action Plan including specific discussion on the Development and Establishment of Statewide Voter Registration Databases; Other Programmatic Updates and Administrative Matters.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566-3100.

**DeForest B. Soaries, Jr.,**

*Chairman, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Agency Information Collection Extension

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice and Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, intends to extend for three years, an information collection package with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) used by the Department to exercise management oversight and control over contractors including management and operating (M&O) contractors operating DOE's facilities. This information is used by the Department to perform management oversight regarding implementation of applicable statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements and obligations. The collection is critical to ensure that the Government has sufficient information to judge the

degree to which contractors are meeting requirements, that public funds are spent in an efficient and effective manner and that fraud, waste and abuse are avoided.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the extended collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before February 8, 2005. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be sent to: Richard Langston, ME-61, Procurement Policy Analyst, Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, Office of Procurement and Assistance Management, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave, SW., Washington, DC 20585, or by fax at 202-287-1345 or by e-mail at [richard.langston@hq.doe.gov](mailto:richard.langston@hq.doe.gov) and to Sharon Evelin, Acting Director, Records Management Division, IM-11/ Germantown Bldg., Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave, SW., Washington, DC 10585-1290, or by fax at 301-903-9061 or by e-mail at [sharon.evelin@hq.doe.gov](mailto:sharon.evelin@hq.doe.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Richard Langston at the address listed above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This package contains: (1) *OMB No.:* 1910-4100; (2) *Package Title:* Procurement; (3) *Type of Review:* renewal; (4) *Purpose:* This information is required by the Department to ensure that DOE contracts including management and operation contractors operating DOE facilities are managed efficiently and effectively and to exercise management oversight of DOE contractors; (5) *Respondents:* 3,811; (6) *Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 1,086,529.

**Statutory Authority:** Department of Energy Organization Act, Pub. L. 95–91, as amended.

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 2, 2004.

**Sharon Evelin,**

*Acting Director, Records Management Division, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98–4421–005, *et al.*]

#### Consumers Energy Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Filings

December 3, 2004.

The following filings have been made with the Commission. The filings are listed in ascending order within each docket classification.

#### 1. Consumers Energy Company, CMS Energy Resource Management, Grayling Generating Station Limited Partnership, Genesee Power Station Limited Partnership, CMS Generation Michigan Power, L.L.C., Dearborn Industrial Generation, L.L.C.

[Docket Nos. ER98–4421–005, ER96–2350–025, ER96–2350–025, ER99–791–003, ER99–806–002, ER99–3677–004, and ER01–570–005]

Take notice that on December 1, 2004, Consumers Energy Company (Consumers), CMS Energy Resource Management Company (CMS ERM), Grayling Generating Station Limited Partnership (Grayling) Genesee Power Station Limited Partnership (Genesee), CMS Generation Michigan Power, L.L.C. (Michigan Power), and Dearborn Industrial Generation, L.L.C. (DIG) (collectively, Applicants) tendered for filing their response to the Commission Letter Order, issued October 29, 2004. Applicants also state that they have attached replacement pages 10 and 11 of Appendix A, which accurately reflects the data presented in Exhibit 4a of their November 18 Filing.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. eastern time on December 13, 2004.

#### 2. Devon Power LLC

[Docket Nos. ER03–563–044 and EL04–102–004]

Take notice that on November 29, 2004, Devon Power LLC submitted copies of local scarcity pricing for ISO New England, Inc., in compliance with the June 2 Order issued by the Commission in Docket Nos. ER03–563–030 and EL04–102–000.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on December 20, 2004.

#### 3. Devon Power LLC

[Docket Nos. ER03–563–045 and EL04–102–005]

Take notice that on November 29, 2004, Devon Power, LLC submitted a report updating progress made in the siting within the New England control area, with particular emphasis on progress within Designated Congested Areas for ISO New England Inc., in compliance with the Commission's order issued June 2, 2004, 107 FERC ¶ 61,240 (2004).

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. eastern time on December 20, 2004.

#### 4. Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc., Public Utilities With Grandfathered Agreements in the Midwest ISO Region

[Docket Nos. ER04–691–011 and EL04–104–010]

Take notice that on December 1, 2004, the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (Midwest ISO) submitted a compliance filing pursuant to the Commission's August 6, 2004 order, *Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.*, et al., 108 FERC ¶ 61,163 (2004). The compliance filing contains: (1) Tariff language establishing procedures for the Midwest ISO to correct prices in the event of temporary market or system operational problems; (2) a detailed plan for cutover to decentralized power system operations in the event of a failure of Day 2 market operations; (3) a report on the progress made toward achieving a trading deadline of 1100 EST for the Day-Ahead Energy Market; and (4) an independently evaluated plan for verifying the commercial operations readiness of the Midwest ISO Day 2 Energy Markets. The Midwest ISO requests an effective date of March 1, 2005, for the tariff pages submitted.

The Midwest ISO has requested waiver of the service requirements set forth in 18 CFR 385.2010. The Midwest ISO states that it has electronically served a copy of this filing, with attachments, upon all Midwest ISO Members, Member representatives of Transmission Owners and Non-Transmission Owners, the Midwest ISO Advisory Committee participants, as well as all state commissions within the region. In addition, the filing has been electronically posted on the Midwest ISO's Web site at <http://www.midwestiso.org> under the heading "Filings to FERC" for other interested parties in this matter. The Midwest ISO will provide hard copies to any interested parties upon request.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. eastern time on December 17, 2004.

#### 5. NorthWestern Energy

[Docket No. ER04–1231–000]

Take notice that on November 30, 2004, NorthWestern Corporation, doing business as NorthWestern Energy, (NorthWestern Energy) submitted the Generation Interconnection Agreement between NorthWestern Corporation and NorthWestern Energy, L.L.C., pursuant to section 205 of the Federal Power Act (FPA).

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. eastern time on December 21, 2004.

#### 6. Northeast Energy Associates, A Limited Partnership

[Docket No. ER05–236–001]

Take notice that on November 30, 2004, Northeast Energy Associates, a Limited Partnership (Applicant) submitted a supplement to the application for market-based rate authority filed on November 18, 2004.

Applicant states that copies of the filing were served upon the Florida Public Service Commission.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. eastern time on December 21, 2004.

#### 7. Avista Corporation

[Docket No. ER05–271–000]

Take notice that on November 30, 2004, Avista Corporation, (Avista Corp) submitted for filing a Non-conforming Long Term Service Agreement Between Avista Corporation and Public Utility District No. 1 of Pend Oreille County Under Avista Corp's FERC Electric Tariff Volume No. 9 and Avista Corp's FERC Electric Tariff Volume No. 10, Rate Schedule 318, with Public Utility District No. 1 of Pend Oreille County for Dynamic Capacity and Energy Service and Operating Reserves at cost-based rates under Avista Corporation's FERC Electric Tariff Volume No. 10 and Generation Exchange Service under Avista Corporation's FERC Electric Tariff First Revised Volume No. 9. Avista Corp requests an effective date of December 1, 2004.

Avista Corp states that copies of the filing were served upon the Public Utility District No. 1 of Pend Oreille County.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. eastern time on December 21, 2004.

#### 8. New England Power Company

[Docket No. ER05–280–000]

Take notice that on December 1, 2004, New England Power Company (NEP) submitted for filing: (1) A Large Generator Interconnection Agreement between NEP, ISO-NE England, Inc.