

¹⁶Category 647-W: only HTS numbers
 6203.23.0060, 6203.23.0070, 6203.29.2030,
 6203.29.2035, 6203.43.2500, 6203.43.3500,
 6203.43.4010, 6203.43.4020, 6203.43.4030,
 6203.43.4040, 6203.49.1500, 6203.49.2015,
 6203.49.2030, 6203.49.2045, 6203.49.2060,
 6203.49.8030, 6210.40.5030, 6211.20.1525,
 6211.20.3820, and 6211.33.0030; Category
 648-W: only HTS numbers 6204.23.0040,
 6204.23.0045, 6204.29.2020, 6204.29.2025,
 6204.29.4038, 6204.63.2000, 6204.63.3000,
 6204.63.3510, 6204.63.3530, 6204.63.3532,
 6204.63.3540, 6204.69.2510, 6204.69.2530,
 6204.69.2540, 6204.69.2560, 6204.69.6030,
 6204.69.9030, 6210.50.5035, 6211.20.1555,
 6211.20.6820, 6211.43.0040 and
 6217.90.9060.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Richard B. Steinkamp,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 19, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Lauren Wittenberg, Acting Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Lauren_Wittenberg@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its

statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: December 14, 2000.

John Tressler,

Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: New.

Title: Reading Excellence Act (REA) State-District-School Study.

Frequency: Semi-Annually; Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 1,623.

Burden Hours: 8,592.

Abstract: REA provides competitive reading and literacy grants to state education agencies (SEA) to help high-poverty schools and those in Title I improvement status to: (1) Teach every child to read by the end of the third grade; (2) provide children in early childhood with the readiness skills and support they need to learn to read once they enter school; (3) expand the number of high-quality family literacy programs; (4) provide early intervention to children who are at risk of being identified for special education inappropriately; and (5) base instruction, including tutoring, on scientifically-based reading research. The first cohort of 17 states was funded in the summer of 1999. The REA State-District-School Study fulfills the states' performance reporting requirements. In addition, the study will (1) collect and analyze demographic and descriptive information on REA states, districts and schools in order to provide a contextual backdrop and sampling for two national evaluations—the School and Classroom Implementation and Impact (SCII) study and the Children's Reading Gains (Gains) study; (2) compare eligible but not funded with funded districts and schools; (3) augment the agency's REA monitoring within each SEA, local

education agencies (LEA), and school; (4) track performance over time; (5) inform the states' development of indicators of program quality; and (6) provide data for the National Institute for Literacy's effort to disseminate information on effective subgrantee projects.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. 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 Kathy Axt at her internet address Kathy_Axt@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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Determination To Establish the Commission on Fire Safety and Preparedness

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, and title 41, Code of Federal Regulations, subpart 101-6, Final Rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management), I hereby certify that the Commission on Fire Safety and Preparedness is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of Energy by law. This determination follows consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat of the General Services Administration, pursuant to 41 CFR subpart 101-6.10.

The purpose of the Commission is to provide the Secretary of Energy and the Assistant Secretary of Environment, Safety and Health, with advice, information, and recommendations on the readiness of the Department of Energy complex for the threat of wildland and facility fires. The Commission will provide an organized forum to evaluate the nature of the risk of fire and concomitant risk of loss, the state of the Department's fire protection programs, and emergency response systems. The Commission will also

review and provide recommendations on a comprehensive fire policy for the Department of Energy complex.

Commission members will be chosen to ensure an appropriately balanced representation of various points of view and functions of interested stakeholders and professionals, including fire safety engineering, fire science, firefighter safety, risk/benefit analysis, and emergency response systems. Particular attention will be given to obtaining diversity, a balance of subdisciplines, a balance of interests, experiences, and points of view. All meetings of the Commission will be noticed ahead of time in the **Federal Register**.

Further information regarding this Advisory Committee may be obtained from Amina Khan, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Defense Programs, DP-1, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, phone (202) 586-6982.

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 15, 2000.

James N. Solit,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Savannah River Operations Office; Savannah River Site, High-Level Waste Tank Closure Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DOE/EIS-0303D) Aiken, SC

AGENCY: Savannah River Operations Office, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) will hold public meetings to discuss issues and gather information related to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the proposed closing of additional high-level waste (HLW) tanks at the Savannah River Site (SRS). All persons are hereby given notice of the opportunity to attend and participate in these public meetings and to submit comments.

DATES: The Department will hold two public meetings—each with two sessions—to discuss the Draft EIS and receive comments. Dates and locations of those public meetings are listed below:

January 9, 2001,
North Augusta Community Center,
101 Brookside Drive,
North Augusta, South Carolina,
1-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. (repeat sessions).
January 11, 2001,
Holiday Inn Coliseum,
630 Assembly Street,

Columbia, South Carolina,
1-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. (repeat sessions).

ADDRESSES: Comments on the Draft EIS may be submitted orally or in writing to DOE at the January 2001 public meetings; sent by facsimile or voice mail to 1-800-881-7292; sent by electronic mail to nepa@srs.gov; or mailed to Mr. Andrew Grainger, NEPA Compliance Officer, DOE-Savannah River Operations Office (SR), Building 742-A, Room 185, Aiken, SC 29802 (ATTN: *Tank Closure Draft EIS*). In preparing the Final EIS, DOE will consider all comments transmitted or postmarked by January 23, 2001. Comments submitted after this date will be considered to the extent practicable.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request information about this Draft EIS and the public meetings, or to be placed on the EIS distribution list, use any of the methods listed in **ADDRESSES** above. For general information about the DOE NEPA process, contact: Carol Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (EH-42), U. S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0119, Phone: 202-586-4600, Voice mail: 800-472-2756, Fax: 202-586-7031.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The publication of the Notice of Availability of the Draft EIS in the **Federal Register** on November 24, 2000, (65 FR 70567) began the public comment period, which extends through January 23, 2001. DOE-SR proposes to close the tank systems to protect human health and the environment. These proposed closures would be in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, DOE Orders, and the previously published document, *Industrial Wastewater Closure Plan for F- and H-Area High-Level Waste Tanks Systems*, prepared by DOE and approved by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

The Draft EIS evaluates three alternatives regarding closure of the HLW tanks: (1) Clean and Stabilize Tanks, (2) Clean and Remove Tanks, and (3) No Action Alternative. Under the Clean and Stabilize Tanks alternative, DOE is considering three options for tank stabilization: fill with grout (preferred alternative), fill with sand, or fill with saltstone.

Dated: December 12, 2000.

Angelia D. Adams,

Acting Director, Environment, Health, and Safety Evaluation and Performance Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-301-011]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Change in FERC Gas Tariff

December 14, 2000.

Take notice that on December 8, 2000, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet to be effective November 1, 2000:

Substitute Original Sheet No. 14R

ANR states that this filing is made to correct a clerical error incorrectly identifying the receipt point on contract 105502 as the Will County Interconnect instead of the Alliance/ANR Interconnect on the tariff sheet previously submitted on November 2, 2000 in Docket No. RP99-301-010.

ANR states that copies of the filing have been mailed to all affected customers and state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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