DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 2, 2002.

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. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used 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: October 29, 2001.

John Tressler,

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

Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Languages Affairs

Type of Review: New.

Title: Descriptive Study of the Emergency Immigrant Education (EIEA) Program.

Frequency: Semi-annually.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; State, local, or tribal gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 20.

Burden Hours: 344.

Abstract: Congress passed the **Emergency Immigrant Education Act in** 1984. In FY 2001, the appropriation for the EIEA program was \$150,000,000. The goals of the Descriptive Study of the Emergency Immigrant Education are to provide information about: (1) The quality of instruction to immigrant children and youth; (2) the ease with which immigrant children and youth are transitioning into American society; and (3) the degree to which they are able to meet state performance standards. This study will include case studies of 15 districts that represent diverse circumstances and populations, and a range of approaches to serving recent immigrant children and youth.

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, DC 20202-4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address OCIO.RIMG@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 Sheila Carey at 708-6287 or via her Internet address Sheila.Carey@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

Notice of Stakeholder Involvement Opportunity: Stakeholder Forum on Alternative Technologies to Incineration

ACTION: Notice of opportunity for involvement in early planning of forum.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) seeks to improve stakeholder involvement in its efforts to develop and evaluate alternative technologies to incineration for treatment of mixed transuranic and mixed low level waste. To encourage broad, diverse stakeholder participation, the Department is planning an Alternative Technologies to Incineration Stakeholder Forum in 2002.

DATES: Comments, suggestions and recommendations are requested by Spring 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments, suggestions, and recommendations on the Stakeholder Forum should be directed to Noeleen Tillman of the Global Environment and Technology Foundation (GETF), a non-profit organization providing support for the Forum, at 7010 Little River Turnpike, Suite #460, Annandale, VA 22003; e-mail ntillman@getf.org; Telephone (703) 750–6401. Commenters are requested to provide Ms. Tillman with their name and e-mail and mailing addresses so she can follow-up as necessary.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Noeleen Tillman, Global Environment and Technology Foundation, 7010 Little River Turnpike, Suite #460, Annandale, VA 22003; e-mail ntillman@getf.org; Telephone (703) 750–6401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The objectives of the Forum include: (1) To facilitate an exchange of information between technical experts, regulators, and interested stakeholders, and (2) to identify stakeholder values and concerns that the Department should consider in its technology development and evaluation process.

Topics for discussion at the Stakeholder Forum include:

- The Department of Energy's plans for developing alternative technologies to incineration. (A DOE "Action Plan" is available online at http://www.em.doe.gov/ftplink/integrat/actionplan.pdf).
- The current state of alternative technology development.
- Factors to be considered in determining the acceptability of new technologies.

- Stakeholder views regarding the benefits and drawbacks of various alternative technologies.
- Opportunities for stakeholder involvement in new technology development and evaluation.
- Federal and State regulatory processes, including permitting.

The Department invites interested stakeholders to participate early in the planning of this Stakeholder Forum. The Department requests suggestions and recommendations on the Forum's agenda, format and venue. The expected date and location will be announced later in a subsequent **Federal Register** notice

Issued in Washington, D.C., on October 29, 2001.

Gerald G. Boyd,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Science and Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2416]

Aquenergy Systems, Inc.; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

October 29, 2001.

On October 5, 1999, Aquenergy Systems, Inc., licensee for the Ware Shoals Project No. 2416, filed an application for a new or subsequent license pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission's regulations thereunder. Project No. 2416 is located on the Saluda River in Laurens, Greenwood, and Abbeville Counties, South Carolina.

The license for Project No. 2416 was issued for a period ending September 30, 2001. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year to year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of section 15 of the FPA, then, based on section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with

the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 2416 is issued to Aquenergy Systems, Inc. for a period effective October 1, 2001, through September 30, 2002, or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before October 1, 2002, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that Aquenergy Systems, Inc. is authorized to continue operation of the Ware Shoals Project No. 2416 until such time as the Commission acts on its application for subsequent license.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP02-8-000]

Copper Eagle Gas Storage, L. L. C.; Notice of Petition

October 26, 2001.

Take notice that on October 17, 2001, Copper Eagle Gas Storage, L. L. C. (Copper Eagle), Phoenix, Arizona, filed a Petition for Exemption of Temporary Acts and Operations from Certificate Requirements, pursuant to rule 207(a)(5) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 387.207(a)(5)), and section 7(c)(1)(B) of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717(c)(1)(B)), seeking approval of an exemption from certificate requirements to perform temporary activities related to drill site preparation and the drilling of a stratigraphic test well. The petition is on file with the Commission and open to

public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (please call (202) 208–2222 for assistance).

Copper Eagle seeks authorization to engage in certain temporary activities for the sole purpose of drilling a 7,000 foot stratigraphic test well, through the Luke salt deposit and into the sub-salt strata. This well will be located in Section 24, Township 2 North, Range 2 West, Maricopa County, Arizona. The temporary activities for which approval is requested is the drilling of a stratigraphic well, the identification of the characteristics of the strata, and the plugging and abandonment of the well according to the requirements of the Arizona Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. Copper Eagle states the proposed stratigraphic test well is critical in determining the feasibility of utilizing deep injection as the method of brine disposal during the possible development of a natural gas salt cavern storage facility. Copper Eagle also requests the Commission include pregranted abandonment authority under section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act to the extent it is necessary or required.

Any questions regarding this petition are to be directed to J. Gordon Pennington, Senior Counsel, El Paso Corporation, 555 11th St. NW., Suite 750, Washington, DC 20004, Phone (202) 637–3544 or facsimile (202) 637–3501.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before November 7, 2001, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the