

*Agency:* Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board.

*Title:* Guarantee Agreement.

*Agency Form Number:* None.

*OMB Approval Number:* None.

*Type of Request:* New collection—Emergency Review.

*Burden:* 1,475 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 20.

*Average Hours per Response:* 80.

*Needs and Uses:* Pursuant to “The Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Program Act of 1999,” Chapter 2, Public Law 106–51, the Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board developed a guarantee agreement that must be signed by qualified oil and gas companies that receive loan guarantees. The information being collected will be used and is necessary to ensure that the applicant is meeting the conditions of the guarantee agreement and to protect the Federal government from default and/or fraud. The information is also required as supporting documentation for annual or other audits that may be conducted by or on behalf of the Board or by the General Accounting Office (GAO) for as long as the guarantee agreement is in effect.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Frequency:* Quarterly and, if applicable, in the event of noncompliance with terms of the guarantee agreement.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary but required to obtain a loan guarantee.

*OMB Desk Officer:* David Rostker, (202) 395–3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482–3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5027, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503. A clearance has been requested by May 12, 2000.

Dated: April 21, 2000.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## **EMERGENCY STEEL GUARANTEE LOAN BOARD**

### **Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Board has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). This collection has been submitted under the emergency Paperwork Reduction Act procedures.

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*Agency Form Number:* None.

*OMB Approval Number:* None.

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*Burden:* 1,475 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 20.

*Avg. Hours per Response:* 80.

*Needs and Uses:* Pursuant to “The Emergency Steel Loan Guarantee Act of 1999,” Chapter 1, Public Law 106–51, the Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Board developed a guarantee agreement that must be signed by qualified steel companies that receive loan guarantees. The information being collected will be used and is necessary to ensure that the applicant is meeting the conditions of the guarantee agreement and to protect the Federal government from default and/or fraud. The information is also required as supporting documentation for annual or other audits that may be conducted by or on behalf of the Board or by the General Accounting Office (GAO) for as long as the guarantee agreement is in effect.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### **Notice of Availability of Solicitation**

**AGENCY:** Idaho Operations Office, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of Solicitation—Agriculture Industry of the Future.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office (ID), on behalf of the Office of Industrial Technologies, is seeking applications for innovative cost-shared research, development and demonstration of technologies that will enhance economic competitiveness, reduce energy consumption and reduce environmental impacts in the emerging renewable bioproducts industry. The research must address high priority goals in either the processing or utilization barrier areas identified in the “Technology Roadmap for Plant/Crop-Based Renewable Resources 2020.”

**DATES:** The deadline for receipt of applications is 3:00 p.m. MDT June 6, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications should be submitted to: Procurement Services Division, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, Attention: Elaine Richardson [DE–PS07–00ID13959], 850 Energy Drive, MS 1221, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401–1563.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elaine Richardson, Contract Specialist, at richarem@id.doe.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The statutory authority for this program is the Federal Non-Nuclear Energy Research & Development Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93–577). DOE anticipates making approximately 3 to 6 awards with total estimated DOE funding of \$400,000 to \$750,000 per award per year, each with a duration of three years or less. Multi-partner collaborations including National Laboratories are encouraged. Single organization awards will not be considered. Industrial partners must be included, either as primary applicants or as cost sharing partners. This solicitation will require a fifty per cent (50%) minimum non-federal cost-share. National Laboratories will not be eligible for an award under this solicitation. However, an application that includes performance

of a portion of the work by a National Laboratory may be considered for award provided the applicant clearly identifies the unique capabilities, facilities and/or expertise the Laboratory offers the primary applicant. NOTE: The DOE Office of Industrial Technologies does not fund product development R&D. Topics in any of the above mentioned documents will be funded only if the proposed research and development addresses energy efficiencies in this new industry area, not in the end-use application. It is anticipated that the following criteria will be considered in the evaluation: (1) Research Concept and Plan; (2) Economic and Environmental Benefits; (3) Energy Benefits; (4) Multi-Partner Involvement; (5) Applicant/Team Capabilities and Facilities. The issuance date of Solicitation No. DE-PS07-00ID13959 will be April 24, 2000. The solicitation will be available in full text via the Internet at the following address: <http://www.id.doe.gov/doiid/psd/proc-div.html>. Technical and non-technical questions should be submitted in writing to Elaine Richardson by e-mail [richarem@id.doe.gov](mailto:richarem@id.doe.gov), or facsimile at 208-526-5548 no later than May 8, 2000.

**R. Jeffrey Hoyles,**

*Director, Procurement Services Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-251-000]

#### Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 21, 2000.

Take notice that on April 19, 2000, Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company (ESNG) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, certain revised tariff sheets in the above captioned docket, bear a proposed effective date of April 1, 2000.

ESNG states that the purpose of this instant filing is to track rate changes attributable to storage services purchased from Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) under its Rate Schedules GSS and LSS. The costs of the above referenced storage services comprise the rates and charges payable under ESNG's Rate Schedules GSS and LSS. This tracking filing is

being made pursuant to Section 3 of ESNG's Rate Schedules GSS and LSS.

ESNG states that copies of the filing have been served upon its jurisdictional customers and interested State Commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or 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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. 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).

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. MT00-5-000]

#### Egan Hub Partners, L.P., Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 21, 2000.

Take notice that on April 18, 2000 Egan Hub Partners, L.P. (Egan) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, proposed to be effective on May 18, 2000: Second Revised Sheet No. 87, Third Revised Sheet No. 88.

Egan states that the revised tariff sheets are being filed to update the description of Egan's compliance with Order No. 497 and the Commission's marketing affiliate regulations.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with section 154.210 of the

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**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER00-1026-001]

#### Indianapolis Power & Light Company; Notice of Filing

April 21, 2000.

Take notice that on March 27, 2000, Indianapolis Power & Light Company (IPL) tendered for filing its compliance filing in the above-referenced docket.

Copies of this filing were served on the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission and others as provided on the official service list.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before May 1, 2000. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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