

Department—in Item 11 of the SF 424 the CFDA number, including suffix letter, if any, of the competition under which you are submitting your application; and

(2) The Application Control Center will mail to you a notification of receipt of your grant application. If you do not receive this notification within 15 business days from the application deadline date, you should call the U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 245-6288.

V. Application Review Information

1. *Selection Criteria:* The selection criteria for this program are from 34 CFR 75.210 and are listed in the application package.

VI. Award Administration Information

1. *Award Notices:* If your application is successful, we notify your U.S. Representative and U.S. Senators and send you a Grant Award Notification (GAN). We may notify you informally, also.

If your application is not evaluated or not selected for funding, we notify you.

2. *Administrative and National Policy Requirements:* We identify administrative and national policy requirements in the application package and reference these and other requirements in the *Applicable Regulations* section in this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the *Applicable Regulations* section in this notice and include these and other specific conditions in the GAN. The GAN also incorporates your approved application as part of your binding commitments under the grant.

3. *Reporting:* At the end of your project period, you must submit a final performance report, including financial information, as directed by the Secretary. You must also submit an interim report nine months after the award date. This report should provide the most current performance and financial expenditure information as directed by the Secretary under 34 CFR 75.118. The Secretary may also require more frequent performance reports under 34 CFR 75.720(c). For specific requirements on reporting, please go to <http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/apply/appforms/appforms.html>.

4. *Performance Measures:* We have identified the following key Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA) performance measure for assessing the effectiveness of the EMHE Grants program: The percentage of EMHE grantees that demonstrate a 50 percent increase at the end of the project period in the number

of course completions by their higher education institution personnel in key National Incident Management System (NIMS) courses compared to the number of such courses completed at the start of the grant project period. This GPRA measure constitutes the Department's indicator of success for this program. Applicants for a grant under this program are advised to give careful consideration to this measure in designing their proposed project. Before beginning implementation of training connected to this grant, each grantee will be required to determine baseline data on the total number of these courses completed by personnel on its campus between April 2004 (when the courses first became available) and the project start date for their EMHE grant. Each applicant is strongly encouraged to include this information in its application if it is available. If it is not available during the application phase, each grantee will be required to collect and report baseline data in its interim report and both baseline and final progress with regard to this measure in its final report.

For the purposes of this measure, "key NIMS courses" are those identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the Department of Homeland Security as requirements for NIMS compliance. To date these courses include the following: Incident Command System (ICS)-100 Introduction to ICS, ICS-200 ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents, ICS-300 Intermediate ICS, ICS-400 Advanced ICS, ICS-700 National Incident Management System: An Introduction, and ICS-800.B National Response Framework, An Introduction. ICS-100, ICS-200, ICS-700, and ICS-800.B courses are all available online as Independent Study (IS) courses offered through the FEMA's Emergency Management Institute (EMI) at: <http://training.fema.gov>. (It is not necessary that the key NIMS training requirements be met through a Federal source such as the on-campus resident courses or online distance learning courses offered by the EMI. The courses may also be taken through State, Tribal, and local emergency management training programs that offer equivalent, in-classroom training for completion.)

Note: Completion of course IS-100.SC Introduction to the Incident Command System, I-100, for Schools, constitutes completion of course ICS-100. This course was specifically designed to provide ICS training within a school-based context.

VII. Agency Contact

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tara Hill, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW., room 3E340, Washington, DC 20202-6450. Telephone: (202) 708-9431 or by e-mail: tara.hill@ed.gov.

If you use a TDD, call the FRS, toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

VIII. Other Information

Alternative Format: Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the program contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** in section VII in this notice.

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Deborah A. Price,

Assistant Deputy Secretary for Safe and Drug-Free Schools.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Board for Education Sciences

AGENCY: Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences.

ACTION: Notice of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming open meeting of the National Board for Education Sciences. The notice also describes the functions of the committee. Notice of this meeting is required by Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend.

DATES: May 21 and 22, 2008.

Time: May 21, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; May 22, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Institute of Education Sciences Board Room, 80 F St., NW., Washington, DC 20208.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Norma Garza, Executive Director, National Board for Education Sciences, 555 New Jersey Ave., NW., Room 627 H, Washington, DC 20208; phone: (202) 219-2195; fax: (202) 219-1466; e-mail: Norma.Garza@ed.gov.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Board for Education Sciences is authorized by Section 116 of the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002. The Board advises the Director of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) on the establishment of activities to be supported by the Institute, on the funding for applications for grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements for research after the completion of peer review, and reviews and evaluates the work of the Institute.

On Wednesday May 21, from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., the Board will receive reports from the Director of IES and the commissioners of the IES centers on projects underway since January 2008. From 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., the Board will hear a presentation of its ongoing contract to evaluate the work of IES by the project manager, Steve Baldwin, of Synergy, Inc., after which the Board's Communication and Legislation committees will give their respective reports. The meeting will adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

On Thursday, May 22, the Board will convene at 8:30 a.m. Following a review of the prior day's activities, from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m., the Board will hear a panel discussion on the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). After a break from 10:45 to 11 a.m., the FERPA panel will continue, followed by a Board discussion of the issues raised. This discussion will conclude at 12:30 p.m. The meeting will adjourn at 1 p.m.

A final agenda will be available from Norma Garza (see contact information above) on May 12. Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting devices, assistance listening devices, or materials in alternative format) should notify Norma Garza no later than May 12. We will attempt to meet requests for accommodations after this date but cannot guarantee their availability. The meeting site is

accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Records are kept of all committee proceedings and are available for public inspection at 555 New Jersey Ave., NW., Room 627 H, Washington, DC, 20208, from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Grover J. Whitehurst,

Director, Institute of Education Sciences.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-104-000]

Southern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Application

April 16, 2008.

Take notice that on April 3, 2008, Southern Natural Gas Company (Southern), Colonial Brookwood Center, 569 Brookwood Village, Suite 501, Birmingham, Alabama 35209, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) an abbreviated application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, and part 157 of the Commission's regulations for authorization to abandon by sale to Nexus Gas Holdings LLC (Nexus) and its successors, all of its facilities located to the west of its Bienville Compressor Station which consist of certain transmission pipelines, a compressor station, meter stations, and related appurtenant facilities located in Panola and Shelby Counties, Texas, and DeSoto, Red River, and Bienville

Parishes, Louisiana. Southern also requests a determination that, upon the closing of the sale, the facilities to be abandoned will be considered non-jurisdictional gathering facilities under section 1(b) of the NGA, or non-jurisdictional intrastate transmission facilities under section 2(16) of the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA). Southern states that the proposed abandonment will not affect the capacity of its pipeline system or the availability of gas supplies on its system. Southern's proposal and a detailed description of the facilities are fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to John C. Griffin, Senior Counsel, Southern Natural Gas Company, P.O. Box 2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202-2563 at (205) 325-7133.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

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 the comment date, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the