

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Technical Information Service****National Technical Information Service Advisory Board**

**AGENCY:** National Technical Information Service, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; solicitation of applications for NTIS Advisory Board membership.

**SUMMARY:** The National Technical Information Service (NTIS) is seeking qualified Candidates to serve as members of the NTIS Advisory Board (Board). The Board will meet at least semiannually to advise the Secretary of Commerce, the Under Secretary for Technology, and the Director of NTIS on NTIS's mission, general policies and fee structure.

**DATES:** Applications must be received no later than February 14, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications should be submitted to Ronald E. Lawson, Director, NTIS, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Walter L. Finch, (703) 605-6507.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Technical Information Service (NTIS) is seeking five qualified candidates to serve as members of its Advisory Board, one of whom will also be designated chairperson. The Board was established pursuant to section 3704b(c) of Title 15, United States Code. It will meet at least semiannually to advise the Secretary of Commerce, the Under Secretary for Technology, and the Director of NTIS on NTIS's mission, general policies and fee structure. Members will be appointed by the Secretary and will serve for three-year terms. They will receive no compensation but will be authorized travel and per diem expenses. NTIS is seeking candidates who can provide guidance on trends in the information industry and changes in the way NTIS's customers acquire and use its products and services. Interested candidates should submit a resume and a statement explaining their interest in serving on the Board.

Dated: January 3, 2002.

**Ronald E. Lawson,**

*Director.*

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**PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) 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).

*Agency:* United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

*Title:* Trademark Processing (proposed rulemaking, Electronic Submission of Applications for Registration and Other Documents).

*Form Number(s):* PTO Form 4.8/4.9/4.16/1478/1478(a)/1553/1581/1583/1963/2000, PTO/TM/4.16/1583.

*Agency Approval Number:* 0651-0009.

*Type of Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Burden:* 137,030 hours annually.

*Number of Respondents:* 677,151 responses per year.

*Avg. Hours Per Response:* The time needed to respond is estimated to range from 3 to 30 minutes. It is estimated that the time needed to complete the electronic forms ranges from 4 to 21 minutes, and the time needed to complete the paper forms with the declaration ranges from 6 to 24 minutes. The information collection also includes four items, namely, powers of attorney, designations of domestic representatives, trademark amendments/corrections/surrenders, and petitions to revive abandoned applications, for which forms have not been created and which are not subject to the proposed mandatory electronic filing rule. The USPTO estimates that completing these items ranges from 3 to 30 minutes. The time estimates include time to gather the necessary information, create the documents, and submit the completed requests.

*Needs and Uses:* This collection is being submitted as a proposed addition in support of a proposed rulemaking, RIN 0651-AB31, "Electronic Submission of Applications for Registration and Other Documents." The USPTO proposes to amend the Rules of Practice in Trademark Cases (37 CFR) to require electronic filing of all documents for which forms are currently available through the Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS). Subject to certain exceptions for parties who lack access to TEAS or the technical capability to use TEAS, and for certain other parties, all documents for which an electronic form is available in TEAS must be filed through TEAS.

The USPTO proposes to amend §§ 1.4, 1.10, 2.21, 2.56, 2.76, 2.88, 2.89, 2.161, 2.166, 2.167 and 2.168 of 37 CFR parts 1 and 2 to make electronic filing through the TEAS system mandatory.

This rulemaking would add an additional requirement to this collection, namely an affidavit or declaration, if appropriate, that verifies that the applicant or registrant or the attorney, if any, for that applicant or registrant, lacks access to TEAS or the technical capability to use TEAS. Under the proposed rule, submissions that are made on paper but that could be made by TEAS and that are not accompanied by such an affidavit or declaration will be returned unless the party who made the submission is within the exception provided for certain foreign applicants and registrants.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; farms; the federal Government; and state, local or tribal Government.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

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

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Susan K. Brown, Records Officer, Office of Data Management, Data Administration Division, (703) 308-7400, USPTO, Suite 310, 2231 Crystal Drive, Washington, DC 20231, or by e-mail at [susan.brown@uspto.gov](mailto:susan.brown@uspto.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed collection should be sent on or before February 14, 2002 to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: January 9, 2002.

**Susan K. Brown,**

*Records Officer, USPTO, Office of Data Management, Data Administration Division.*

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**PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) 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).

*Agency:* United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

*Title:* Disclosure Document Program.

*Form Number(s):* PTO/SB/95.

*Agency Approval Number:* 0651-0030.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Burden:* 4,050 hours annually.

*Number of Respondents:* 20,250 responses per year.

*Avg. Hours Per Response:* The USPTO estimates that it will take 12 minutes to submit a Disclosure Document Deposit Request. This includes time to gather the necessary information, create the documents, and submit the completed request.

*Needs and Uses:* An applicant files a disclosure document to establish a date of conception for an invention. When the USPTO receives a request for disclosure document deposit, an identifying number is assigned and stamped on the document. The document is then filed. The information is used by the USPTO to establish the date of conception for an invention. The USPTO keeps a disclosure document for only two years, unless it is referred to in a related provisional or nonprovisional patent application filed within the two-year period. The disclosure document is not a patent application, and the date of its receipt in the USPTO will not become the effective filing date of any patent application subsequently filed.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; and the Federal Government.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

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

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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before February 14, 2002 to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: January 2, 2002.

**Susan K. Brown,**

*Records Officer, USPTO, Office of Data Management, Data Administration Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### National Nuclear Security Administration; National Ignition Facility

**AGENCY:** National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On March 13, 1998, the Office of Defense Programs within the Department of Energy ("DOE" or "the Department"), issued a Supplement Analysis (SA) for the National Ignition Facility (NIF) to assist the Department in determining whether or not to prepare a Supplemental Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for the Stockpile Stewardship and Management Program (SSM PEIS). The preparation of an SA for this purpose is provided for in DOE's regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 10 CFR 1021.314. The SA was prepared to address certain allegations made by the plaintiffs in *NRDC v. Pena*, Civ. No. 97-936 (SS) (D.D.C.), a lawsuit challenging the adequacy of the SSM PEIS. The SA specifically addressed the issue of using hazardous materials in NIF experiments. In the SA the Department concluded: (1) That the only proposed use of fissile or fissionable materials in the NIF experiments is subgram quantities of uranium-238 in non-fusion yield experiments, and (2) that the impacts from using uranium-238 for this purpose are bounded by the analysis in the SSM PEIS. DOE therefore concluded that a supplement to the existing SSM PEIS was not required. However, DOE was aware that circumstances could change, and committed in the SA to prepare further NEPA analysis if the Department decides to propose experiments outside the bounds of the SSM PEIS. The SA indicated that this review would be conducted within 5 years after the SSM PEIS Record of Decision, and would be conducted in the form of an SA. The Record of Decision was issued on December 19, 1996.

DOE has reviewed the current status of planned activities for the NIF and has determined that the circumstances with regard for the proposed use of hazardous materials in NIF experiments remain unchanged from those at the time of the preparation of the 1998 SA. Therefore, the Department has concluded that there are no substantial changes or significant new circumstances or information that would justify preparing a new SA at this time. However, DOE is continuing to examine the question of use of certain

materials in NIF experiments, consistent with the requirements of the court decision resolving *NRDC v. Pena*. Pursuant to Paragraph 6 of the District Court's Memorandum Opinion and Order, dated August 19, 1998, in *NRDC v. Pena*, DOE, no later than January 1, 2004, will (1) determine that experiments using materials listed in the Order will not be conducted in the NIF, or (2) prepare a Supplemental SSM PEIS analyzing the reasonably foreseeable environmental impacts of such experiments. DOE has in place a process to make that determination. However, at the present time there are no DOE proposals to use any of these materials in experiments in the NIF.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jay Rose, Office of Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, (202) 586-5484.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 8, 2002.

**John Gordon,**

*Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP02-55-000]

#### CMS Trunkline Gas Company, LLC; Notice of Application

January 9, 2002.

Take notice that on December 26, 2001, CMS Trunkline Gas Company, LLC (Trunkline Gas), P.O. Box 4967, Houston, Texas 77210-4967, filed an application in the above-referenced docket number pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and part 157 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing it to increase the maximum capacity of its LNG metering facilities in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana. Also, Trunkline Gas requests permission and approval to operate its pipeline system downstream of the LNG metering facilities to accommodate the increased LNG receipt. This proceeding is in conjunction with a filing by CMS Trunkline LNG Company, LLC (Trunkline LNG) in Docket No. CP02-60-000. The application is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may 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).