

Commission's Regulations, 18 CFR 35.12, submitted for filing an Interconnection and Operating Agreement among Interstate Power and Light Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Alliant Energy Corporation, Midwest ISO, and Interstate Power and Light Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Alliant Energy Corporation.

Midwest ISO states that a copy of this filing was sent to Interstate Power and Light Company and Interstate Power and Light Company.

*Comment Date:* July 21, 2003.

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**Magalie R. Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OAR-2003-0081, FRL-7527-2]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Emission Reporting Requirements for Ozone SIP Revision Relating to Statewide Budgets for NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions To Reduce the Regional Transport of Ozone, EPA ICR Number 1857.03, OMB Control Number 2060-0445

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit a continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. This ICR is scheduled to expire on 10/31/2003. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before September 9, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number OAR-2003-0081, to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to [A-and-R-Docket@epa.gov](mailto:A-and-R-Docket@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Air Docket, Mail Code 6102T, Room B108, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID number OAR-2003-0081, which is available for public viewing at the Air Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the

Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Air Docket is (202) 566-1742. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. Use EDOCKET to obtain a copy of the draft collection of information, submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified above.

Any comments related to this ICR should be submitted to EPA within 60 days of this notice. The EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EDOCKET as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EDOCKET. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket. Although identified as an item in the official docket, information claimed as CBI, or whose disclosure is otherwise restricted by statute, is not included in the official public docket, and will not be available for public viewing in EDOCKET. For further information about the electronic docket, see EPA's **Federal Register** notice describing the electronic docket at 67 FR 38102 (May 31, 2002), or go to <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>.

**Affected entities:** Entities potentially affected by this action are States covered by the NO<sub>x</sub> SIP call and industries in those States which are large emitters of NO<sub>x</sub>. This includes large electrical generating units or power plants and large boilers as well as possibly cement kilns.

**Title:** Emission Reporting Requirements for Ozone SIP Revision Relating to Statewide Budgets for NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions to Reduce the Regional Transport of Ozone.

**Abstract:** States which are subject to the NO<sub>x</sub> SIP call are required to collect data on NO<sub>x</sub> emissions and submit this data to EPA. Data from large NO<sub>x</sub> sources which States are requiring to be controlled to meet the State NO<sub>x</sub> budget must be reported annually for the ozone season. States must report NO<sub>x</sub> emissions from all sources triennially. In order to report this data, States must require large sources of NO<sub>x</sub> emissions

to monitor emissions and report emissions to the State or to EPA. Resources must be expended by sources to install and calibrate emission monitors and to collect and report emissions data. This data is necessary to allow EPA to assess the ability of States to meet their NO<sub>x</sub> budgets allocated under the NO<sub>x</sub> SIP call. The data submission is not voluntary. It is required under 40 CFR 51.122. All emissions data received by EPA will be treated as public information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

**Burden Statement:** The total average annual reporting burden of this information collection is \$54,097,149 and 492,192 hours. The annualized capital cost is \$16,136,170. The annualized operating and maintenance cost is \$12,606,505. These costs are mostly for installing and maintaining continuous emission monitors at industrial facilities including large electrical generating power plants. The average burden hour per response is estimated to be 142 hours. The frequency of response is annually or quarterly for large NO<sub>x</sub> sources participating in a Federally approved NO<sub>x</sub> trading program. The number of respondents is estimated to be 2,467 including States and industrial sources. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop,

acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources, complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Dated: June 25, 2003.

**Henry C. Thomas, Jr.,**

*Acting Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards.*

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[ER-FRL-6641-9]**

### **Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments**

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under section 309 of the Clean Air Act and section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 04, 2003 (68 FR 16511).

#### **Draft EISs**

ERP No. D-AFS-J36053-UT Rating EC2, Monticello and Blanding Municipal Watershed Improvement Projects, Implementation, Manti-La Sal National Forest, Monticello Ranger District, San Juan County, UT.

**Summary:** EPA expressed environmental concerns with the loss of wetlands and impacts from logging. EPA supports replacing the failing water collection system in this watershed and will be providing grant funding for this project.

ERP No. D-AFS-L65420-AK Rating EC2, Greens Creek Tailings Disposal Project, Additional Dry Tailings Disposal Storage Facilities Construction, Authorization, Admiralty National Park Monument, Tongass National Forest, AK.

**Summary:** EPA expressed environmental concerns about the preferred alternative given uncertainty

with achieving water quality standards for sulfate and selenium, lack of water quality data for 8 parameters, inconsistent use of standards and NPDES effluent limits, and use and effectiveness of carbon to effectively immobilize dissolved metals. The final EIS should disclose more commitments to using the existing treatment plant, and describe the methodology for meeting water quality standards.

ERP No. D-AFS-L65421-WA Rating EC2, 49 Degrees North Mountain Resort Revised Master Development Plan, Implementation, Colville National Forest, Newport Ranger District, Stevens County, WA.

**Summary:** EPA has environmental concerns regarding the Purpose and Need of the project and recommended an additional alternative that does not require additional ski terrain and the need for alternatives with Comfortable Carrying Capacities that exceed the proposed parking capacity should be provided. The final EIS should disclose information on consultation with Native American Tribes.

ERP No. D-BLM-J65376-CO Rating LO, Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Montrose and Delta Counties, CO.

**Summary:** EPA expressed lack of objections.

ERP No. D-BLM-K65251-CA Rating EC2, Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Management Plan, Implementation, Public Lands Management, Riverside County, CA.

**Summary:** EPA expressed environmental concerns with the following issues and requested clarification regarding the preferred alternative, tribal consultation, mitigation for impacts to recreation, implementation schedule and funding, land exchanges, acquisition strategy, existing conditions, Section 7 Endangered Species Act consultation and water resources.

ERP No. D-BLM-L67043-ID Rating EC2, North Rasmussen Ridge Mine, Agrium Conda Phosphate Operations, Proposal to Extend the Existing Mining Operations, Federal Phosphate Leases I-04375 and I-07619 within the Caribou-Targhee National Forest, and State Lease I-9313, Soda Springs, Caribou County, ID.

**Summary:** EPA expressed environmental concerns with habitat loss from mining activities, sedimentation and selenium contamination of water resources and uptake by wildlife. The draft EIS used extensive modeling to predict possible pathways of contaminants and size of