

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 25, 2007.

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 IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, 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: April 18, 2007.

Angela C. Arrington,

IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.

Institute of Education Sciences

Type of Review: New.

Title: Assessing the Impact of Collaborative Strategic Reading on Fifth Graders' Comprehension and Vocabulary Skills.

Frequency: On Occasion; Biennially.
Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 83.

Burden Hours: 69.

Abstract: The current OMB package requests clearance for the instruments to be used in the Assessing the Impact of Collaborative Strategic Reading on Fifth Graders' Comprehension and Vocabulary Skills Study (CSR study). The CSR study is a project designed to test an innovative model of reading instruction in the fifth grade, especially for ELL students. The data collection instruments will measure the background characteristics of the sample, fidelity of the intervention's implementation, and outcomes of the intervention.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3311. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@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

[OE Docket No. PP-22-4]

Application To Amend Presidential Permit; British Columbia Transmission Corporation

AGENCY: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of application.

SUMMARY: British Columbia Transmission Corporation (BCTC) has applied for an amendment of a Presidential permit to construct, operate, and maintain an electric transmission line across the U.S. international border.

DATES: Comments, protests, or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before May 24, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Comments, protests, or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (OE-20), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Jerry Pell (Program Office) at 202-586-3362, or by e-mail to Jerry.Pell@hq.doe.gov, or Michael T. Skinker (Program Attorney) at 202-586-2793.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The construction, operation, maintenance, and connection of facilities at the international border of the United States for the transmission of electric energy between the United States and a foreign country is prohibited in the absence of a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order (EO) 10485, as amended by EO 12038.

On March 26, 2007, BCTC, a Canadian corporation, filed an application with the Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (OE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) to amend Presidential Permit PP-22 which authorized the construction, operation, and maintenance of ten, single-conductor 132-kV submarine cables which cross the U.S. international border twice in the Strait of Georgia. The international transmission facilities covered by Presidential Permit PP-22 do not connect to any U.S. electrical facility, but rather connect the mainland of British Columbia (B.C.), Canada, and Vancouver Island, passing through approximately 7.5 miles of U.S. territorial waters in the Strait of Georgia. BCTC proposes to replace the three southernmost cables with three new submarine cables which would operate at 230-kV.

BCTC is the successor to the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, which in turn is the successor to the British Columbia Electric Company Limited, the original holder of PP-22. BCTC requests that if DOE grants its request to amend PP-22 the amended permit be issued to BCTC.

Procedural Matters: Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with § 385.211 or 385.214 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with DOE on or before the date listed above.

Additional copies of such petitions to intervene or protest also should be filed directly with Mr. Bruce Barrett, Vice President, Major Projects, British Columbia Transmission Corp., Suite 110, Four Bentall Centre, 1055 Dunsmuir Street, P.O. Box 49260, Vancouver, B.C. V7X 1V5, Canada.

Before a Presidential permit may be granted or amended, DOE must determine that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system. In addition, DOE must consider the environmental impacts of the proposed action (i.e., granting the Presidential permit, with any conditions and limitations, or denying the permit) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. DOE also must obtain the concurrences of the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense before taking final action on a Presidential permit application.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above. In addition, the application may be reviewed or downloaded electronically at http://www.oe.energy.gov/permitting/electricity_imports_exports.htm. Upon reaching the home page, select "Pending Applications."

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 16, 2007.

Anthony J. Como,

Director, Siting and Permitting, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

[Case No. RF-006]

Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Decision and Order Granting a Waiver to Liebherr Hausgeräte From the Department of Energy Electric Refrigerator and Electric Refrigerator-Freezer Test Procedures

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of decision and order.

SUMMARY: Today's notice publishes a Decision and Order (Case No. RF-006) granting a waiver to Liebherr Hausgeräte (Liebherr) from the existing Department of Energy (DOE) test procedure for residential electric refrigerators and

refrigerator-freezers, for its combination wine storage-freezer line of appliances.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Michael G. Raymond, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Program, Mail Stop EE-2J, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121, (202) 586-9611, E-mail:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 10 CFR 430.27(l), notice is hereby given of the issuance of the Decision and Order set forth below. In the Decision and Order, the DOE grants Liebherr a Waiver from the electric refrigerator and electric refrigerator-freezer test procedures under 10 CFR 430.23(a), for its combination wine storage-freezer products. This Waiver is applicable only to units whose wine storage compartment occupies more than 50 percent of the total volume of the unit and cannot be converted to any other type of compartment. Today's decision requires that any representations concerning the energy efficiency of these products are made consistent with the provisions and restrictions in the modified test procedure set forth in the Decision and Order below.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 9, 2007.

Alexander A. Karsner,

Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

Decision and Order

In the Matter of: Liebherr Hausgeräte (Liebherr). (Case No. RF-006).

Background

Title III of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act ("EPCA") sets forth a variety of provisions concerning energy efficiency. Part B of Title III (42 U.S.C. 6291-6309) provides for the "Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products Other Than Automobiles." Part B includes definitions, test procedures, labeling provisions, energy conservation standards, and the authority to require information and reports from manufacturers. Further, Part B authorizes the Secretary of Energy to prescribe test procedures that are reasonably designed to produce results which measure energy efficiency, energy use, or estimated operating costs, and that are not unduly

burdensome to conduct. (42 U.S.C. 6293(b)(3)) The test procedure for residential refrigerators and refrigerator-freezers is contained in 10 CFR part 430, subpart B, Appendix A1. DOE's regulations contain provisions that allow a person to petition for a waiver from any test procedure requirement for covered consumer products. These provisions are set forth in 10 CFR 430.27. The waiver provisions authorize the Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy to temporarily waive the test procedure for a particular basic model, provided that the petitioner shows that the basic model contains one or more design characteristics that prevent testing according to the prescribed test procedures, or when the prescribed test procedures may evaluate the basic model in a manner so unrepresentative of its true energy consumption as to provide materially inaccurate comparative data. 10 CFR 430.27(l).

The Assistant Secretary may grant the waiver subject to conditions, including adherence to alternate test procedures.¹ Petitioners must include in their petition any alternate test procedures known to evaluate the basic model in a manner representative of its energy consumption characteristics. 10 CFR 430.27(b)(1)(iii). Waivers generally remain in effect until final test procedure amendments resolving the problem that is the subject of the waiver become effective.

On July 5, 2005, Liebherr submitted a Petition for Waiver from the electric refrigerator and electric refrigerator-freezer test procedure under 10 CFR 430.23(a). Liebherr requested a waiver from the DOE test procedure because, Liebherr asserts, its line of combination wine storage-freezer models are not accurately categorized by any of the current DOE classes for residential refrigeration appliances. The Liebherr product is currently classified as an automatic defrost refrigerator-freezer with bottom-mounted freezer. However, the wine storage compartment has a minimum temperature of 41 °F, which makes the product unsuitable for general use as a refrigerator-freezer. Liebherr asserts that to apply the current test procedure for electric refrigerator-freezers would evaluate these products in a manner so unrepresentative of their true energy consumption characteristics as to provide materially inaccurate comparative data.

Liebherr has proposed a modified test procedure based on the one prescribed for electric refrigerator-freezers under Appendix A1 to Subpart B of Part 430.

¹ 10 CFR 430.27(1).