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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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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Notice

AGENCY: United States Election Assistance Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting (amended).

Date and Time: Thursday, February 8, 2007, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Place: U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Ave, NW., Suite 150, Washington, DC 20005 (Metro Stop: Metro Center).

Agenda: The Commission will receive an update on the Interim Voting System Laboratory Accreditation Program; The Commission will consider whether to terminate the interim program and will receive an update on the full Voting System Laboratory Accreditation Program; The Commission will receive an update on the EAC audit process and hear presentations from state officials on their experiences with the audit process; The Commission will receive a presentation of the research findings regarding voter identification requirements. The Commission will consider other administrative matters.

This meeting will be open to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566-3100.

Donetta L. Davidson,

Chair, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee under the Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation. This notice announces the meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee.

DATES AND TIMES: February 13, 2007 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., February 14, 2007 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Doubletree Hotel Orlando, At the Entrance to Universal Orlando, 5780 Major Boulevard, Orlando, FL 32819, (407) 351-1000, <http://www.doubletree.com/en/dt/hotels/index.jhtml?ctyhocn=MCOUNTD>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Neil Rossmeissl, Designated Federal Officer for the Committee, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586-8668 or Harriet Foster at (202) 586-4541; E-mail: harriet.foster@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and guidance that promotes research and development leading to the production of biobased fuels and biobased products.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include the following:

- Receive update on USDA—DOE collaboration.
- Receive update on the status of the fiscal year 2007 USDA—DOE joint Biomass R&D solicitation.
- Receive update on DOE activities from the Designated Federal Officer (DFO).
 - Presentation on feedstocks analysis efforts.
 - Possible media event regarding the updated Vision.
 - Provide input on draft updated Roadmap.
 - Discuss Analysis subcommittee business.
 - Discuss Policy subcommittee business, including comments and proposed annual recommendations from the Policy Gap Analysis document.

- Discuss Communications subcommittee business.

- Review progress presentations from Florida and Southeastern-area Biomass R&D projects funded by the USDA—DOE joint solicitation.

- Discuss recommendations for fiscal year 2007.

- Review 2007 Work Plan.

- Discuss Biomass R&D Planning Opportunities.

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Neil Rossmeissl at 202-586-8668 or the Biomass Initiative at 202-586-4541 or harriet.foster@ee.doe.gov (e-mail). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chair of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; Room 1E-190; Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued at Washington, DC on January 24, 2007.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[IC07-538-001, FERC 538]

Commission Information Collection Activities, Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Extension

January 24, 2007.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and extension of this information collection requirement. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received one comment in response to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of October 19, 2006 (71 FR 61736–61737) and has made this notation in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due by February 26, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Address comments on the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Comments to OMB should be filed electronically, c/o *oira_submission@omb.eop.gov* and include the OMB Control No. as a point of reference. The Desk Officer may be reached by telephone at 202–395–4650. A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Executive Director, ED–34, Attention: Michael Miller, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments may be filed either in paper format or electronically. Those persons filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing. For paper filings an original and 14 copies, of such comments should be submitted to the Secretary of the Commission, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426 and should refer to Docket No. IC07–538–001.

Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in WordPerfect, MS Word, Portable Document Format, or ASCII format. To file the document, access the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> and click on "Make an E-Filing," and then follow the instructions for each screen. First time users will have to establish a user name and password. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments. User assistance for electronic filings is available at 202–502–8258 or by e-mail to efiling@ferc.gov. Comments

should not be submitted to this e-mail address.

All comments may be viewed, printed or downloaded remotely via the Internet through FERC's homepage using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For user assistance, contact FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 502–8415, by fax at (202)273–0873, and by e-mail at michael.miller@ferc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Description**

The information collection submitted for OMB review contains the following:

1. *Collection of Information:* FERC 538 "Gas Pipeline Certificates: Initial Service."
2. *Sponsor:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
3. *Control No.:* 1902–0061.

The Commission is now requesting that OMB approve and extend the expiration date for an additional three years with no changes to the existing collection. The information filed with the Commission is mandatory.

4. *Necessity of the Collection of Information:* Submission of the information is necessary for the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the Statutory provisions of sections 7(a), 10(a) and 16 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (Pub. L. 75–688) (15 U.S.C. 717–717w). The reporting requirements contained in this collection of information are used by the Commission to determine whether a distributor applicant can economically construct and manage its facilities. Requests are made to the Commission by individuals or entities to have the Commission, by order, direct a natural gas pipeline to extend or improve its transportation facilities, and sell gas to an individual, entity or municipality for the specific purpose indicated in the order, and to extend the pipeline's transportation facilities to communities immediately adjacent to the municipality's facilities or to territories served by the natural gas company. In addition, the Commission reviews the supply data to determine if the pipeline company can provide the service without curtailing certain of its existing customers. The flow data and market data are also used to evaluate existing and future customer requirements on the system to find if sufficient capacity will be available.

Likewise, the cost of facilities and the rate data are used to evaluate the financial impact of the cost of the project to both the pipeline company and its customers. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Part 156.

5. *Respondent Description:* The respondent universe currently comprises 85 companies (on average) subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. However, the Commission receives on average filings from only one respondent.

6. *Estimated Burden:* 240 total hours, 1 respondents (average), 1 response per respondent, and 240 hours per response (average).

7. *Estimated Cost Burden to respondents:* 240 hours/2080 hours per years × \$122,137 per year = \$14,093. The cost per respondent is equal to \$14,093.

Statutory Authority: Statutory provisions of sections 7(a), 10(a) and 16 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (Pub. L. 75–688) (15 U.S.C. 717–717w).

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. EL02–23–012]

Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Complainant) v. Public Service Electric and Gas Company (Respondent) and PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. (Respondent) and New York Independent System Operator, Inc. (Respondent); Notice of Filing

January 24, 2007.

Take notice that on January 19, 2007, Consolidated Edison Company (Con Edison), separately, and PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., New York Independent System Operator, Inc., and the Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSEG), jointly, filed a third report regarding the effectiveness of the protocol used to implement grandfathered transmission contracts between Con Edison and PSEG, pursuant to the Commission's May 18, 2005 Protocol Order.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214).