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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: August 28, 2007.

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#### **Institute of Education Sciences**

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Understanding Science Professional Development and the Science Achievement of English Learners.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or household.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 3,516.

*Burden Hours:* 673.

*Abstract:* The purpose of this study is to investigate how to prepare middle-school teachers to improve all students' physical science content knowledge, including that of low-performing students and English learners (ELs). Using a cluster-randomized experimental design, the research will test the effectiveness of WestEd's Understanding Science model of professional development, an approach that incorporates science content, analysis of student work and thinking, and critical analysis of issues related to teaching that content to students. The professional development course sessions focus on science concepts both in the context of structured investigations and in narrative cases of teaching practice drawn from actual classroom episodes involving those concepts.

This model will be evaluated by comparing it with a control condition

that provides no additional science professional development beyond that already received in each school. The experiment will evaluate the value added for grade 8 teachers in California who take an Understanding Science course in addition to whatever science professional development they ordinarily receive. The ultimate outcome of interest is the impact of the professional development on students' science achievement. To provide a basis for explaining the results, impacts will also be studied on teachers' science content knowledge, and a descriptive study will examine selected aspects of their classroom science instructional practices.

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 3452. 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 EDUCATION**

##### **Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests**

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 5, 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.

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Dated: August 28, 2007.

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#### **Federal Student Aid**

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Student Assistance General Provisions—Subpart E (Verification of Student Aid Application Information).

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or household; Businesses or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Federal Government; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 3,036,371.

*Burden Hours:* 1,022,384.

*Abstract:* Verification of Application Information for Title IV Student Financial Assistance Programs. Applicant's and, in some cases, the applicant's parent(s) or spouse must provide documentation to support data

listed on the application for assistance (Free Application for Federal Student Aid—FAFSA).

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 3453. 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](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP07-590-000]

#### Texas Eastern Transmission, LP; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

August 22, 2007.

Take notice that on August 17, 2007, Texas Eastern Transmission, LP (Texas Eastern) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Seventh Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed in Appendix A of the filing to be effective September 19, 2007.

Texas Eastern states that the purpose of this filing is to modify the Texas Eastern Tariff to (i) update the nomination, scheduling, curtailment and OFO provisions in the General Terms and Conditions, (ii) clarify Customers' rights to segment capacity on the Texas Eastern system, and (iii) make certain minor, non-substantive revisions.

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 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the

appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed in accordance with the provisions of § 154.210 of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 154.210). Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Western Area Power Administration

#### Boulder Canyon Project

**AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of base charge and rates.

**SUMMARY:** The Deputy Secretary of Energy has approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Base Charge and Rates (Rates) for Boulder Canyon Project (BCP) electric service provided by the Western Area Power Administration (Western). The Rates will provide sufficient revenue to pay all annual costs, including interest expense, and repay investments, within the allowable period.

**DATES:** The Rates will be effective the first day of the first full billing period beginning on or after October 1, 2007. These Rates will stay in effect through September 30, 2008, or until superseded by other rates.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jack Murray, Rates Team Lead, Desert Southwest Customer Service Region, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 6457, Phoenix, AZ 85005-6457, (602) 605-2442, e-mail [jmurray@wapa.gov](mailto:jmurray@wapa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Rate Schedule BCP-F7, Rate Order No. WAPA-120, effective October 1, 2005, through September 30, 2010, allows for an annual recalculation of the rates.<sup>1</sup>

Under Rate Schedule BCP-F7, the existing composite rate, effective on October 1, 2006, was 17.02 mills per kilowatt-hour (mills/kWh). The base charge was \$67,509,136, the energy rate was 8.51 mills/kWh, and the capacity rate was \$1.63 per kilowatt-month (kWmonth). The newly calculated rates for BCP electric service, to be effective October 1, 2007, will result in an overall composite rate of 17.64 mills/kWh. The proposed rates were calculated using the FY 2008 Final Ten Year Operating Plan. This resulted in an increase of approximately 3.60 percent when compared with the existing BCP electric service composite rate. The increase is due to a decrease in the projected energy sales. The FY 2008 base charge is decreasing to \$66,975,283. The major contributing factor to the decrease is a portion of the post September 11, 2001, security costs which will have been fully collected in the FY 2007 base charge, being deemed non-reimbursable in FY 2007. This results in a larger year end carryover into FY 2008, reducing the revenue requirement. The FY 2008 energy rate of 8.82 mills/kWh is approximately a 3.60 percent increase from the existing energy rate of 8.51 mills/kWh. The increase in the energy rate is due to a decrease in the projected energy sales resulting from continued poor hydrology in the region which results in lower Lake Mead water elevations. The FY 2008 capacity rate remains at the existing \$1.63/kWmonth. Although the capacity sales are decreasing due to dropping lake elevations, the base charge is also decreasing resulting in no change to the capacity rate.

The following summarizes the steps taken by Western to ensure involvement

<sup>1</sup> WAPA-120 was approved by the Deputy Secretary of Energy on August 11, 2005 (70 FR 50316) and confirmed and approved by FERC on a final basis on June 22, 2006, in Docket No. EF05-5091-000 (115 FERC ¶ 61,362).