

information collection should be sent to Mr. Springer at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DOD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

*DOD Clearance Officer:* Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: January 28, 1998.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Meeting of the Historical Records Declassification Advisory Panel

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense, Historical Advisory Committee.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the February 6, 1998, meeting of the Historical Records Declassification Advisory Panel, is canceled. The meeting notice was published in the **Federal Register** January 21, 1998 (63 FR 3096).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cynthia Kloss, Room 3C281, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Intelligence & Security), Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence), 6000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-6000, telephone (703) 695-2289/2686.

Dated: January 28, 1998.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection requests.

**SUMMARY:** The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection

requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by February 19, 1998. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 6, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Dan Chenok, Desk Officer: Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 7th & D Streets, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651. Written comments regarding the regular clearance and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651, or should be electronic mailed to the internet address #FIRB@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3506 (c)(2)(A)) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this

notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. 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. ED invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

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: January 28, 1998.

**Gloria Parker,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of Educational Research and Improvement.

*Type of Review:* Emergency.

*Title:* Technology Innovation Challenge Grant Program: Professional Development.

*Abstract:* The FY 1998 Technology Innovation Challenge Grant competition will focus on professional development by providing support to consortia that are developing, adapting, or expanding applications of technology training for teachers and other educators to improve instruction.

*Additional Information:* The Department is requesting the emergency clearance because of an unanticipated change in program direction. The new direction, received in October 1997 through Conference Report language accompanying the FY 1998 appropriation, substantially changed the focus of the program. Since that time, Department staff have been conferring both internally and with congressional staff on how best to move the direction of the program from one in which there is a broad perspective on supporting the best innovative approaches to integrating technology in the schools to

one in which there is a concerted focus on addressing the growing need for the professional development of teachers in using technology to improve instruction. In requesting this clearance, ED's primary concern is to allow applicant consortia adequate time to prepare strong applications given the significant change in program focus. In addition, we are concerned about having sufficient time to organize and use a very strong, but time-consuming three-tier review process for evaluating applications for funding. Requested approval date is February 19, 1998.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 350.

Burden Hours: 8,750.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB review; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 5, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Dan Chenok, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

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Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

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**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 Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this 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 at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: January 28, 1998.

**Gloria Parker,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of the Under Secretary

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Targeting and Resource Allocation Study.

*Abstract:* This study will examine targeting and resource allocation in major federal education programs, including Title I, Title II (Eisenhower Professional Development), Title IV (Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities), Title VI, and Goals 2000. The study will examine how resources are allocated among various strategies for improving student achievement, how the use of resources varies across schools and districts (e.g., by school poverty levels and size of allocation), and changes in the targeting of funds since the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) in 1994. The study will examine the extent to which funds are being used for strategies highlighted in Goals 2000 and the reauthorized Elementary and Secondary Education Act, including professional development, extended time, parent involvement, coordinated services, and schoolwide approaches. The study will obtain information on the kinds of

expenditures, staff, and activities are typically associated with different strategies; and how resource allocation decisions are made. The study will also examine the amount of federal funds retained at the state and district levels for administrative and other purposes, how those funds are used, and how much of the funds reach the school level.

*Additional Information:* The final report for this study is expected to be completed in January 1999. Findings from this study will also be included in the final report of the National Assessment required under Sections 1501(a) and 14701(b)(1)(B) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (also due in January 1999).

*Frequency:* One time.

*Affected Public:* State education agencies, school districts and schools.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 6,097.

Burden Hours: 6,000.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR98-6-000]

### Arkansas Oklahoma Gas Corporation; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

January 28, 1998.

Take notice that on January 16, 1998, Arkansas Oklahoma Gas Corporation (AOG) filed pursuant to Sections 284.224(e)(1) and 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's regulations, and pursuant to the Commission's order, issued July 18, 1995 in Docket No. PR95-4-000, a petition for approval to maintain its existing maximum rate of \$0.2329 per MMBtu, plus 2.766 percent for company use and lost and unaccounted for gas, applicable to all of AOG's existing and future transportation services provided under its Order No. 63 blanket certificate, as more fully described in the petition filed herewith, and which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This rate will be applicable to the transportation of natural gas under section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA).

AOG states it is not proposing to change the rates actually being charged in its existing Order No. 63 blanket certificate transportation arrangements. Rather, AOG states that it is only seeking to maintain the existing ceiling