Company; Northern Indiana Public Service Company; Virginia Electric and Power Company; Dayton Power and Light Company; American Electric Power Service Corporation; Midwest Independent System Operator et al.; Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Maryland Interconnection; Atlantic City Electric Company, et al.; Pennsylvania Electric Company, et al.; Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Maryland Interconnection Restructuring; PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.; Atlantic City Electric Company, et al.; PECO Energy Company.

As announced in the Notice of Technical Conference issued on August 7, 2003, a technical conference will be held on August 28, 2003, to discuss with states and market participants in the PJM region the timetables for addressing wholesale power market design issues and to explore ways to provide flexibility the region may need to meet the requirements of the final rule in this proceeding. Members of the Commission will attend and participate in the discussion.

The conference will focus on the issues identified in the agenda, which is appended to this notice as Attachment A. However, participants/stakeholders may present their views on other important issues that relate to the development of the Wholesale Power Market Platform.

The conference will begin at 1 p.m. Eastern Time and will adjourn at about 5 p.m. Eastern Time at the Wyndham Hotel, 700 King Street, Wilmington, Delaware. The conference is open for the public to attend, and registration is not required; however, in-person attendees are asked to register for the conference on-line at http://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/smd 0828-form.asp.

This technical conference will immediately follow a meeting of the PJM Members Committee, which will be held that morning at the same location. PJM offers a web broadcast of its meeting through the PJM Web site and will also broadcast the FERC technical conference. To access the web broadcast, go to http://www.pjm.com/committees/members/members.html. To access the broadcast window directly, go to http://events01.activate.net/pmtv/pjm/10064/.

Transcripts of the conference will be immediately available from Ace Reporting Company (202–347–3700 or 1–800–336–6646) for a fee. They will be available for the public on the Commission's eLibrary (FERRIS) seven calendar days after FERC receives the transcript. Additionally, Capitol Connection offers the opportunity to

remotely listen to the conference via the Internet or a Phone Bridge Connection for a fee. Interested persons should make arrangements as soon as possible by visiting the Capitol Connection Web site at http://

www.capitolconnection.gmu.edu and clicking on "FERC." If you have any questions contact David Reininger or Julia Morelli at the Capitol Connection (703–993–3100).

For more information about the conference, please contact Sarah McKinley at (202) 502–8004 or sarah.mckinley@ferc.gov.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

Appendix A

Agenda

 1–1:20 p.m. Opening Remarks.
 Pat Wood, III, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
 Gail C. McDonald, Commissioner, Maryland Public Service Commission
 David W. Hadley, Commissioner, Indiana Utility Regulatory

Commission 1:20–1:45 p.m.—PJM's Compliance with the White Paper Phil Harris, CEO, PJM Interconnection

1:45–2:30 p.m.—State Commission Input Glen R. Thomas, Commissioner, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Frederick F. Butler, Commissioner, New

Jersey Board of Public Utilities Arnetta McRae, Chair, Delaware Public Service Commission

Kevin K. Wright, Chairman, Illinois Commerce Commission

2:30–3:15 p.m.—Stakeholder Presentations Generator Sector

Bruce Bleiweis, Director, Asset Commercialization, Reliant Energy Services, Inc.

Transmission Sector

Ralph Bourquin, Executive Director, Transmission, Baltimore Gas & Electric Company

Other Supplier Sector (split time) Ronald Matlock, Manager of Regulatory Affairs Duke Energy Trading & Marketing, L.L.C.

To be named

Electric Distributor Sector

Patrick McCullar, President & CEO
Delaware Municipal Electric Cooperative
End Use Sector

David Kleppinger, Counsel, McNees Wallace & Nurick, L.L.C.

3:15-3:30 p.m.-Break

3:30–5 p.m.—State Commissioner/FERC/ Industry Dialogue and Summary of Next Steps

(All attending State Commissioners, stakeholder representatives, FERC Commissioners)

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[RCRA-2003-0020, FRL-7550-5]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Land Disposal Restrictions—Base ICR, EPA ICR Number 1442.18, OMB Control Number 2050–0085

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 February 29, 2004. 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 October 27, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number RCRA—2003—0020, to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by email to rcra-docket@epamail.epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, RCRA Docket Information Center, 5303T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peggy Vyas, Office of Solid Waste, 5302W, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308–5477, fax number: (703) 308–8433, email address: vyas.peggy@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID number RCRA-2003-0020, which is available for public viewing at the RCRA Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. 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 RCRA Docket is (202) 566–0270. 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. 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 business and government.

Title: Land Disposal Restrictions—Base ICR.

Abstract: Section 3004 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended, requires that EPA develop standards for hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal as may be necessary to protect human health and the environment. Subsections 3004(d), (e), and (g) require EPA to promulgate regulations that prohibit the land disposal of hazardous waste unless it meets specified treatment standards described in subsection 3004(m).

The regulations implementing these requirements are codified in the *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Title 40, part 268. EPA requires that facilities maintain the data outlined in this ICR so that the Agency can ensure that land disposed waste meets the treatment standards. EPA strongly believes that the recordkeeping requirements are necessary for the agency to fulfill its congressional mandate to protect human health and the environment.

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 and 48 CFR chapter 15.

The EPA would like to solicit

(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:

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:

- Average Annual Reporting Burden: 1,182,708 hours.
- Estimated Average Burden Hours Per Response: 4.28 hours.
- Proposed Frequency of Response: on occasion.
- Estimated Number of Likely Respondents: 167,353.
- Capital and Start-up Cost: \$1,627,000.
- Operation and Maintenance: \$71,224,000.

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: August 18, 2003.

Robert Springer,

Director, Office of Solid Waste. [FR Doc. 03–22055 Filed 8–27–03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7550-1]

First Draft Staff Paper for Particulate Matter

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of a draft for public review and comment.

SUMMARY: On or about August 29, 2003, the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) within EPA's Office of Air and Radiation will make available for public review and comment a draft document, Review of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter: Policy Assessment of Scientific and Technical Information (First Draft Staff Paper). The purpose of the Staff Paper is to evaluate the policy implications of the key scientific and technical information contained in a related EPA document, Air Quality Criteria for Particulate Matter, required under sections 108 and 109 of the Clean Air Act (CAA) for use in the periodic review of the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for particulate matter (PM). The OAQPS also will make available for public review and comment a related document, Particulate Matter Health Risk Assessment for Selected Urban Areas (Draft Risk Assessment).

DATES: Comments on the first draft Staff Paper and draft Risk Assessment should be submitted on or before October 28, 2003

ADDRESSES: For information on how to submit comments, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, Section C.

Availability of Documents for Review

For information on obtaining copies of the draft documents now being made available for review, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, Section B.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Mary Ross, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (mail code C539–01), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711; e-mail: ross.mary@epa.gov; telephone: (919)

541–5170; fax (919) 541–0237. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

A. General Information

The EPA is currently reviewing the NAAQS for PM. Sections 108 and 109 of the CAA require that EPA carry out a periodic review and revision, where appropriate, of the scientific criteria and the NAAQS for "criteria" air pollutants such as PM. Details of EPA's plans for