

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the Internet address *Pat_Sherrill@ed.gov*, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

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- (1) Go to IFAP at <http://ifap.ed.gov>
- (2) Click on the "Bookshelf" icon
- (3) Scroll down and click on "FAFSA and Renewal FAFSA Forms and Instructions"
- (4) Click on "By 2000-2001 Award Year"
- (5) Click on "FAFSA Instructions"
- (6) Click on the red icon to open the file.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: There have been several major changes to the FAFSA since the draft posted for comment in the November 30, 1998 *Federal Register*.

- Addition of parents' SSNs and names. Two parent Social Security Numbers and two parent last names have been added to page 6 of the form. These will be required fields for dependent filers.
- Notice of IRS verification authority. A notice has been added to the certification language on page 6 of the form advising the applicant that the Secretary has the authority to verify income reported on the application with the Internal Revenue Service.
- Number of schools increased. The overall number of schools an applicant can list to receive his or her information has increased from six to eight. However, the fifth through eighth

schools can only be listed by Federal School Code. Housing plans can only be listed for the first four schools.

- "Drug Offense" notice added. A "drug offense" notice has been added to the first page advising applicants that if they have ever been convicted of any offense under federal or state law involving possession or sale of a controlled substance they must report any such convictions to their financial aid office.

- Elimination of FAFSA.PDF. FAFSA.PDF, a means of submitting a FAFSA via portable document format (PDF) technology, will be discontinued for the 2000-2001 award year.

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 Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, 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 at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: February 17, 1999.

William E. Burrow,

Acting Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:

Responses: 9,848,645

Burden Hours: 6,589,649

Abstract: Collects identifying and financial information from students applying for Federal student aid for postsecondary education. Used to calculate Expected Family Contribution and determine eligibility for grants and loans, under Title IV of the Higher Education Act (HEA).

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Meeting

AGENCY: National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board; Education.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the meeting.

Dates: March 18 and 19, 1999.

Time: March 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.;
March 19, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Location: Room 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20208-7564.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thelma Leenhouts, Designated Federal Official, National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Washington, D.C. 20208-7564. Tel.: (202) 219-2065; fax: (202) 219-1528; e-mail: Thelma_Leenhouts@ed.gov, or nerppb@ed.gov. The main telephone number for the Board is (202) 208-0692.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board is authorized by Section 921 of the Educational Research, Development, Dissemination, and Improvement Act of 1994. The Board works collaboratively with the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI) to forge a national consensus with respect to a long-term agenda for educational research, development, and dissemination, and to provide advice and assistance to the Assistant Secretary in administering the duties of the Office. The meeting is open to the public. On March 18, the Board will discuss research issues with Dr. Rita Colwell, director of the National Science Foundation, and will receive a report on research priorities from the National Academy of Education. On March 19, the Board will discuss the

reauthorization of OERI and will hear committee and officers' reports. A final agenda will be available from the Board office on March 10, 1999, and will be posted on the Board's web site, <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OERI/NERPPB/>.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the office of the National Educational Research Policy and Priorities Board, Suite 100, 80 F St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20208-7564.

Dated: February 16, 1999.

Eve M. Bither,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[FE Docket Nos. 99-01-NG, 99-03-NG, 99-02-NG, 99-04-NG, 92-24-NG, 99-05-NG, and 99-06-NG]

Office of Fossil Energy; Orders Granting and Transferring Authorizations To Import and/or Export Natural Gas

OGE Energy Resources, Inc., National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, Renaissance Energy (U.S.) Inc., Selkirk Cogen Partners, L.P., Coral Energy Resources, L.P. (Successor to Salmon Resources Ltd.), Transco Energy Marketing Company, and Petro-Canada Hydrocarbons Inc.

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of orders.

SUMMARY: The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy gives notice that it has issued Orders granting and transferring various natural gas import and export authorizations. These

Orders are summarized in the attached appendix.

These Orders may be found on the FE web site at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>, or on the electronic bulletin board at (202) 586-7853.

They are also available for inspection and copying in the Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities, Docket Room 3E-033, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-9478. The Docket Room is open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 12, 1999.

John W. Glynn,

Manager, Natural Gas Regulation, Office of Natural Gas & Petroleum Import & Export Activities, Office of Fossil Energy.

Attachment

APPENDIX ORDERS GRANTING AND TRANSFERRING IMPORT/EXPORT AUTHORIZATION
[DOE/FE Authority]

Order No.	Date issued	Importer/exporter FE docket No.	Two-year maximum		Comments
			Import volume	Export volume	
1452	01/11/99	OGE Energy Resources, Inc., 99-01-NG.	400 Bcf		Import and export up to a combined total from and to Canada beginning on the date of first delivery.
1453	01/21/99	National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, 99-03-NG.	33.8 Bcf		Import and export up to a combined total from and to Canada beginning on January 28, 1999, and ending on January 28, 2001.
1454	01/22/99	Renaissance Energy (U.S.) Inc., 99-02-NG.	250 Bcf		Import and export up to a combined total from and to Canada beginning on February 1, 1999, through January 31, 2001.
1455	01/22/99	Selkirk Cogen Partners, L.P., 99-04-NG.	57 Bcf		Import and export up to a combined total from and to Canada beginning on January 29, 1999, through January 28, 2001.
690-A	01/25/99	Coral Energy Resources, L.P., (Successor to Salmon Resources Ltd.), 92-24-NG.	Transfer of long-term import authority.
1456	01/28/99	Transco Energy Marketing Company, 99-05-NG.	730 Bcf	Import from Canada beginning on February 7, 1999, and ending on February 6, 2001.
1457	01/29/99	Petro-Canada Hydrocarbons Inc., 99-06-NG.	300 Bcf	Import from Canada beginning on March 4, 1999, through March 3, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Electrometallurgical Treatment of Sodium-Bonded Spent Nuclear Fuel in the Fuel Conditioning Facility at Argonne National Laboratory-West, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, Idaho

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for the proposed electrometallurgical treatment of Department of Energy-owned sodium-bonded spent nuclear fuel in the Fuel Conditioning Facility at Argonne National Laboratory-West (ANL-W). ANL-W, a center of nuclear technology development and testing, is located on the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory (INEEL) site

in southeastern Idaho. The Department proposes to treat its inventory of sodium-bonded spent nuclear fuel to remove and stabilize the reactive metallic sodium constituent and to produce metal and ceramic waste forms, considered to be high-level waste, that would facilitate interim storage and ultimate disposal of this material. The EIS will evaluate reasonable action alternatives to electrometallurgical treatment in the Fuel Conditioning Facility at ANL-W and a no-action alternative. The Department invites the general public, other Federal agencies, American Indian tribes, state and local governments, and all other interested