

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and included in the DRBC Comprehensive Plan. The proposed power line will provide service to an existing commercial enterprise in Port Clinton, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania. The line will cross on poles located near two bridges; one just upstream of a railroad bridge over the Schuylkill River between Tilden Township, Berks County and Port Clinton Borough, Schuylkill County, and one at the Broad Street Bridge over the Little Schuylkill River in Port Clinton Borough.

3. *Glen Mills Schools* D-97-39

A surface water withdrawal project to provide a monthly average of 367,000 gallons per day (gpd) (11 mg/30 days) for irrigation of the proposed 18-hole Golf Course at Glen Mills located in Thornbury Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania. The applicant proposes to withdraw water from Chester Creek and, if needed to supplement flow, from two existing on-site wells (averaging less than 100,000 gpd).

4. *American Cyanamid Company* D-97-41

A project to upgrade an existing 120,000 gpd average monthly capacity industrial wastewater treatment plant (IWTP) located at the applicant's Agricultural Research Division facilities at U.S. Route 1 and Quakerbridge Road in West Windsor Township, Mercer County, New Jersey. The IWTP will continue to provide secondary biological treatment utilizing an extended aeration activated sludge process. Tertiary filtration will be provided as well as ultraviolet disinfection prior to discharge via an aeration cascade to an unnamed tributary of the Assunpink Creek. The applicant's facilities are located on property that straddles the Delaware River Basin divide and a major portion of the applicant's water source is obtained from wells located outside the Delaware River Basin. However, the applicant proposes a high overall BOD removal rate (98 percent) that will offset the imported load.

5. *City of Bethlehem Authority* D-97-47 CP

A proposed temporary emergency surface water withdrawal project that entails installation of an intake structure in the Beltzville Reservoir, just downstream of the confluence of Pohopoco Creek with the Reservoir's backwater, in Towamensing Township, Carbon County, Pennsylvania. The withdrawal is planned to provide an average of 15 million gallons per day

during a three-year period while the applicant's Penn Forest Dam is undergoing reconstruction and refilling. The applicant's distribution system serves the City of Bethlehem and 11 other municipalities in its vicinity, in both Lehigh and Northampton Counties. Documents relating to these items may be examined at the Commission's offices. Preliminary dockets are available in single copies upon request. Please contact Thomas L. Brand at (609) 883-9500 ext. 221 concerning docket-related questions. Persons wishing to testify at this hearing are requested to register with the Secretary at (609) 883-9500 ext. 203 prior to the hearing.

Dated: January 12, 1998.

Susan M. Weisman,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Awards Program for Model Professional Development; Notice of New Application Deadline for Certain Applicants for Fiscal Year (FY) 1998

SUMMARY: The Secretary establishes a new deadline for the submission of applications under the National Awards Program for Model Professional Development for FY 1998 by those schools and school districts in areas of Maine, New Hampshire, New York and Vermont that the President or the governors of those States have declared disaster areas because of the severe ice storms that occurred during the week of January 5, 1998, as well as to schools and the school district on the Island of Guam.

NEW DEADLINE FOR TRANSMITTAL OF APPLICATIONS: The new deadline for the Department's receipt of applications from these schools and school districts is January 26, 1998. In addition, the Secretary will consider, on a case-by-case basis, a written request received by January 26, 1998, for a further extension of the application deadline for any school or school district in these affected areas that confirm an inability to meet this new application deadline because of continued storm-related disruptions.

SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS OR EXTENSION REQUESTS: Application to the National Awards Program or written requests for an extension of the application deadline beyond January 26, 1998, must be sent to Sharon Horn, Office of Educational Research and Improvement, U.S. Department of Education, 555 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Room 506E,

Washington, DC 20208-5644.
Telephone: 202-219-2203.

To obtain information on the program, call or write Sharon Horn at the address and telephone number identified above. Inquiries also may be sent by e-mail to sharon_horn@ed.gov or by FAX at (202) 219-2198. 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.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed in the preceding paragraph.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternate format, also, by contacting that person. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternate format the standard forms included in the application package.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 30, 1997, the Secretary announced in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 58874) the National Awards Program For Model Professional Development for FY 1998. This program recognizes a variety of schools and school districts with model professional development activities in the pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade levels that have led to increases in student achievement. The notice inviting applications for the program (62 FR 58874), which accompanied the notice of eligibility and selection criteria for the program, identified the deadline for transmittal of applications as January 15, 1998. During the week of January 5, 1998, portions of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, New York and Vermont experienced extraordinarily severe ice storms that extinguished electric service and caused major disruptions to school communities in these areas. In addition, the Secretary has learned that the school community on the Island of Guam is only now reopening on a part-time basis as a result of a severe typhoon that struck the island on December 16, 1997.

The Secretary is concerned that because of these circumstances schools and school districts in these affected areas that wish to apply for recognition under the National Awards Program may be prevented from doing so by the previously announced application deadline. For this reason, the Secretary extends the deadline for transmittal of applications under the National Awards Program until January 26, 1998, for those schools and school districts in the States of Maine, New Hampshire, New York and Vermont that the President or

the governors of those States have declared to be disaster areas, as well as for schools and the school district on Guam. Since it is impossible to predict whether continued disruptions in utility service will preclude the submission of applications by January 26, 1998, the Secretary also will consider, on a case-by-case basis, a written request received by January 26, 1998, for a further extension of the application deadline for any school or school district in these affected areas that confirms its inability to meet the January 26 application deadline because of continued storm-related disruptions.

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Note: The official version of a document is the document published in the **Federal Register**.

Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 8001.

Dated: January 16, 1998.

Ricky T. Takai,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Educational Research and Improvement.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission of Data by State Educational Agencies

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of dates of submission of State revenue and expenditure reports for fiscal year 1997 and of revisions to those reports.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Education announces dates for the submission by State educational agencies (SEAs) of expenditure and revenue data and

average daily attendance statistics on ED Form 2447 (the National Public Education Financial Survey) for fiscal year (FY) 1997. The Secretary sets these dates to ensure that data are available to serve as the basis for timely distribution of Federal funds. The U.S. Bureau of the Census is the data collection agent for the Department's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). The data will be published by NCES and will be used by the Secretary in the calculation of allocations for FY 1999 appropriated funds.

DATES: The date on which submissions will first be accepted is March 15, 1998. The mandatory deadline for the final submission of all data, including any revisions to previously submitted data, is September 8, 1998.

ADDRESSES: SEAs may mail ED Form 2447 to: Bureau of the Census, ATTENTION: Governments Division, Washington, DC 20233-6800.

Alternatively, SEAs may hand deliver submissions to: Governments Division, Bureau of the Census, 8905 Presidential Parkway, Washington Plaza II, Room 508, Upper Marlboro, MD, by 4 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

If an SEA's submission is received by the Bureau of the Census after September 8, in order for the submission to be accepted, the SEA must show one of the following as proof that the submission was mailed on or before the mandatory deadline date:

1. A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark.
2. A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.
3. A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.
4. Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary.

If the SEA mails ED Form 2447 through the U.S. Postal Service, the Secretary does not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

1. A private metered postmark.
2. A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

Note: The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, an SEA should check with its local post office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Lawrence R. MacDonald, Chief, Bureau of the Census, ATTENTION: Governments Division, Washington, DC 20233-6800. Telephone: (301) 457-1574. 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.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this notice in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to: Frank Johnson, National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, 555 New Jersey Avenue, N.W., Room 410E, Washington, DC 20208-5651.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the authority of section 404(a) of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994 (20 U.S.C. 9003(a)), which authorizes NCES to gather data on the financing of education, NCES collects data annually from SEAs through ED Form 2447. The report from SEAs includes attendance, revenue, and expenditure data from which NCES determines the average State per pupil expenditure (SPPE) for elementary and secondary education.

In addition to using the SPPE data as useful information on the financing of elementary and secondary education, the Secretary uses these data directly in calculating allocations for certain formula grant programs, including Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 (Title I), Impact Aid, and Indian Education. Other programs such as the Goals 2000: Educate America Act, the Technology Literacy Challenge Fund, the Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program under Title VII of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, the Dwight D. Eisenhower Professional Development Program, and the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Program make use of SPPE data indirectly because their formulas are based, in whole or in part, on State Title I allocations.

In January 1998, the Bureau of the Census, acting as the data collection agent for NCES, will mail to SEAs ED Form 2447 with instructions and request that SEAs submit data to the Bureau of the Census on March 15, 1998, or as soon as possible thereafter. SEAs are urged to submit accurate and complete data on March 15, or as soon as possible thereafter, to facilitate timely processing. Submissions by SEAs to the Bureau of the Census will be checked for accuracy and returned to each SEA for verification.

Having accurate information, on time, is critical to an efficient and fair allocation process, as well as the NCES statistical process. To ensure timely distribution of Federal education funds based on the best, most accurate data available, NCES establishes, for allocation purposes, September 8, 1998,