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Magalie R. Salas,  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER05-52-000]

#### ISO New England, Inc. and New England Power Pool; Notice of Staff Technical Conference

February 8, 2005.

On December 13, 2004, a data request was issued directing the New England Power Pool and ISO New England, Inc., to provide additional information regarding the data used to develop the Hydro Quebec Interconnection Capacity Credit values for the 2005/2006 Power Year. See New England Power Pool

Letter Order issued in Docket No. ER05-52-000 on December 13, 2004.

On January 12, 2005, New England Power Pool and ISO New England, Inc., filed a request for a technical session so that interested stakeholders may discuss their concerns with Staff regarding the establishment of Hydro Quebec Capacity Credit values. Take notice that a Staff technical conference on the determination of Hydro Quebec Interconnection Capacity Credit values will be held for one day, on Monday February 14, 2005, at 10 a.m. (EST), in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

All interested persons are permitted to attend. Additionally, all interested persons who wish to monitor the technical conference by telephone must contact Valerie Martin, either by e-mail at [valerie.martin@ferc.gov](mailto:valerie.martin@ferc.gov) or by telephone at (202) 502-6139 no later than 5 p.m. Thursday February 10, 2005, stating your name, the name of the entity you represent, and an e-mail address or telephone number where you can be reached.

The technical conference telephone number and other information will be provided to those submitting requests to monitor the conference, preferably by return e-mail.

Linda Mitry,  
Deputy Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP04-523-000]

#### Southern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

February 8, 2005.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in this proceeding commencing at 10 a.m. (e.s.t.) on Wednesday, February 23, 2005, in a room to be designated at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the above-referenced docket.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the

Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

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For additional information, please contact Bob Keegan at (202) 502-8158, [James.Keegan@ferc.gov](mailto:James.Keegan@ferc.gov).

Magalie R. Salas,  
Secretary.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OAR-2005-0017, FRL-7873-5]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs): Radionuclides, EPA ICR Number 1100.12, OMB Control Number 2060-0191

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

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 August 25, 2005. 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 April 18, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number OAR-2005-0017, to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), [Air and Radiation.Docket@epa.gov](mailto:Air and Radiation.Docket@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, <http://www.epa.gov/oar/docket.html>, Mail Code 6102T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eleanor Thornton-Jones, Radiation Protection Division, Center for the

Waste Management, Office of Radiation and Indoor Air, Mail Code: 6608J; Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 343-9773; fax number: (202) 343-2306; email address: [thornton.leanor@epa.gov](mailto:thornton.leanor@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID number OAR-2005-0017, which is available for public viewing at the Air 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 Air Docket is (202) 566-1742. 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, Confidential Business Information (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 affected by this action are those which own or

operate Department of Energy (DOE) facilities, elemental phosphorus plants, Non-DOE federal facilities and phosphogypsum stacks, underground uranium mines and uranium mill tailings piles.

*Title:* National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Radionuclides, OMB No. 2060-0191, expiring 8/25/05.

*Abstract:* On December 15, 1989 pursuant to section 112 of the Clean Air Act as amended in 1977 (42 U.S.C. 1857), EPA promulgated NESHAPs to control radionuclide emissions from several source categories. The regulations were published in 54 FR 51653, and are codified at 40 CFR part 61, subparts B, H, I, K, R, T, and W. Information is being collected pursuant to Federal regulation 40 CFR 61. The pertinent sections of the regulation for reporting and record keeping are listed below for each source category:

- Department of Energy Facilities—Sections 61.93, 61.94, 61.95
- Elemental Phosphorous—Sections 61.123, 61.124, 61.126
- Non-DOE Federal Facilities—Sections 61.103, 61.104, 61.105, 61.107
- Phosphogypsum Stacks—Sections 61.203, 61.206, 61.207, 61.208, 61.209
- Underground Uranium Mines—Sections 61.24, 61.25
- Uranium Mill Tailings Piles—Sections 61.223, 61.224, 61.253, 61.254, 61.255

Data and information collected is used by EPA to ensure that public health continues to be protected from the hazards of airborne radionuclides by compliance with NESHAPs. If the information were not collected, it is unlikely that potential violations of the standards would be identified and corrective action would be initiated to bring the facilities back into compliance. Compliance is demonstrated through emission testing and/or dose calculation. Results are submitted to EPA annually for verification of compliance and maintained for a period of 5 years. 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 comments to:

- (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;

- (ii) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

- (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 collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Burden Statement:* The estimated burden for each respondent is 32 hours per response. This estimate is based on experience gained in preparing radionuclide NESHAPs enforcement and compliance guidance material and in demonstrating the use of EPA's COMPLY computer program to the uninitiated.

Respondent	Number of facilities
Department of Energy .....	42
Elemental Phosphorus .....	2
Non-DOE not licensed by NRC	20
Phosphogypsum Stacks .....	35
Underground Uranium Mines ...	7
Uranium Mill Tailings Piles .....	13
(Subparts T and W)	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>124</b>

It is estimated that 124 facilities would be required to report emissions and/or effective dose equivalent annually and retain supporting records for five years. The total record keeping and reporting burden hours is 288 hours times 124 respondents = 35,712 hours. The estimated annualized capital/start up costs are: \$45,000 and the annual operation and maintenance costs are \$1,581,120.

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: February 8, 2005.

**Bonnie C. Gitlin,**

*Acting Director, Radiation Protection  
Division, Office of Radiation and Indoor Air.*  
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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[CA 313-0476; FRL-7872-9]

### Adequacy Status of the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District, California, Submitted Ozone Attainment Plan for Transportation Conformity Purposes

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection  
Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of adequacy  
determination.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, EPA is notifying the public that we have found that the motor vehicle emissions budgets contained in the submitted 2004 State Implementation Plan for Ozone in the San Joaquin Valley are adequate for transportation conformity purposes.

As a result of our finding, the various transportation planning agencies in the San Joaquin Valley and the Federal Highway Administration must use the VOC and NO<sub>x</sub> motor vehicle emissions budgets from the submitted 2004 State Implementation Plan for Ozone in the San Joaquin Valley for future conformity determinations.

**DATES:** This determination is effective March 2, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The finding is available at EPA's conformity Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/oms/trans/traqconf.htm> (once there, click on the "Transportation Conformity" link, then look for "Adequacy Web Pages").

You may also contact David Wampler, U.S. EPA, Region IX, Air Division AIR-2, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105; (415) 972-3975, or [wampler.david@epa.gov](mailto:wampler.david@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice announces our finding that the emissions budgets contained in the 2004 State Implementation Plan<sup>1</sup> for Ozone in the San Joaquin Valley ("Ozone Plan"), submitted by the State of California on behalf of the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control

<sup>1</sup> The submitted Ozone Plan includes a rate-of-progress demonstration for milestone years 2008 and 2010 and a demonstration that the San Joaquin Valley will attain by no later than the 2010 attainment date for areas classified "extreme" under the federal 1-hour ozone standard.

District on November 15, 2004, are adequate for transportation conformity purposes. EPA Region IX made this finding in a letter to the State of California, Air Resources Board on February 7, 2005. We are also announcing this finding on our conformity Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/oms/trans/traqconf.htm> (once there, click on the "Transportation Conformity" link, then look for "Adequacy Web Pages").

Transportation conformity is required by section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act. Our conformity rule requires that transportation plans, programs, and projects conform to state air quality implementation plans (SIPs) and establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they do. Conformity to a SIP means that transportation activities will not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's motor vehicle emission budgets are adequate for conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). One of these criteria is that the motor vehicle emissions budgets, when considered together with all other emission sources, is consistent with applicable requirements for the reasonable further progress plan. We have preliminarily determined that the 2004 State Implementation Plan for Ozone in the San Joaquin Valley plan meets the necessary rate of progress reductions for milestone years 2008 and 2010 and demonstrates attainment by no later than 2010. Therefore, the motor vehicle emissions budgets can be found adequate. Please note that an adequacy review is separate from EPA's completeness review, and it also should not be used to prejudge EPA's ultimate approval of the submitted plan itself. Even if we find a budget adequate, the submitted plan could later be disapproved.

We have described our process for determining the adequacy of submitted SIP budgets in guidance (May 14, 1999 memo titled "Conformity Guidance on Implementation of March 2, 1999 Conformity Court Decision"). This guidance is now reflected in the amended transportation conformity rule, July 1, 2004 (69 FR 40004), and in the correction notice, July 20, 2004 (69 FR 43325). We followed this process in making our adequacy determination on the motor vehicle emissions budgets contained in the 2004 State Implementation Plan for Ozone in the San Joaquin Valley.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.

Dated: February 8, 2005.

**Karen Schwinn,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.*  
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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7873-6]

### Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Request for Nominations for the Science Advisory Board's Consultation on EPA's Framework for Revising the Aquatic Life Criteria Guidelines

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection  
Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office is requesting nominations to augment expertise on the SAB Ecological Processes and Effects Committee for a panel to provide consultation to EPA on the framework for revising the Aquatic Life Criteria Guidelines.

**DATES:** Nominations should be submitted by March 1, 2005 per the instructions below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this Request for Nominations may contact Dr. Thomas Armitage, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), via telephone/voice mail at (202) 343-9995; via e-mail at [armitage.thomas@epa.gov](mailto:armitage.thomas@epa.gov); or at the U.S. EPA Science Advisory Board (1400F), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. General information about the SAB can be found in the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Background:** EPA's recommended ambient water quality criteria for aquatic life provide guidance to states and tribes for adopting water quality standards which are the basis for controlling discharges or releases of pollutants. Currently, ambient water quality criteria for aquatic life protection are derived according to the Guidelines for Derivation of Ambient Water Quality Criteria for the Protection of Aquatic Life and Their Uses, published in 1985. To ensure that ambient water quality criteria are derived from the best available science, EPA's Office of Water assessed the need to update the Guidelines and identified issues that should be addressed in the