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and

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*For Information Regarding*

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U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Review of a Revised Information Collection OPM 2809

**AGENCY:** Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for the review of a revised information collection. OPM 2809, Health Benefits Registration Form, is used by annuitants and former spouses to elect, cancel or change health benefits enrollment during periods other than open season.

There are approximately 30,000 changes to health benefits coverage per year. Of these, 20,000 are submitted on form OPM 2809 and 10,000 verbally or in written correspondence. Each form takes approximately 45 minutes to complete; data collection by telephone or mail takes approximately 10 minutes. The annual burden for the form is 15,000 hours; the burden not using the form is 1,667 hours. The total burden is 16,667.

Comments are particularly invited on: whether this information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Office of Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and ways in which we can minimize the

burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, FAX (202) 418-3251 or e-mail to [mbtoomey@opm.gov](mailto:mbtoomey@opm.gov). Please be sure to include a mailing address with your request.

**DATES:** Comments on this proposal should be received by August 9, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Send or deliver comments to—Ronald W. Melton, Chief, Operations Support Group, Retirement Services Program, Center for Retirement & Insurance Services, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Room 3349A, Washington, DC 20415-3540.

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 35-27852]

### Filings Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as Amended ("Act")

June 2, 2004.

Notice is hereby given that the following filing(s) has/have been made with the Commission pursuant to provisions of the Act and rules promulgated under the Act. All interested persons are referred to the application(s) and/or declaration(s) for complete statements of the proposed transaction(s) summarized below. The application(s) and/or declaration(s) and any amendment(s) is/are available for public inspection through the Commission's Branch of Public Reference.

Interested persons wishing to comment or request a hearing on the application(s) and/or declaration(s) should submit their views in writing by June 25, 2004, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, DC 20549-0609, and serve a copy on the relevant applicant(s) and/or declarant(s) at the address(es) specified below. Proof of service (by affidavit or, in the case of an attorney at

law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing should identify specifically the issues of facts or law that are disputed. A person who so requests will be notified of any hearing, if ordered, and will receive a copy of any notice or order issued in the matter. After June 25, 2004, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

### Northeast Utilities, et al. (70-9755)

Northeast Utilities ("NU"), a registered holding company; Western Massachusetts Electric Company ("WMECO"), a wholly owned, direct public-utility company subsidiary of NU, both located at 174 Brush Hill Ave., West Springfield, Massachusetts 01090-0010; Public Service Company of New Hampshire ("PSNH"), a wholly owned, direct public-utility company subsidiary of NU; and North Atlantic Energy Corporation ("NAEC"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of NU, both located at Energy Park, 780 North Commercial Street, Manchester, NH 03101; Yankee Energy System, Inc. ("YES"), a wholly owned, direct holding company subsidiary of NU that claims exemption under section 3(a)(1) by rule 2; Northeast Utilities Service Company ("NUSCO"), a direct, wholly owned service company subsidiary of NU; The Connecticut Light and Power Company ("CL&P"), a wholly owned, direct public-utility company subsidiary of NU; Northeast Nuclear Energy Company ("NNECO"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility company subsidiary of NU; Yankee Gas Services Company ("Yankee Gas"), a wholly owned, direct public-utility company subsidiary of YES; The Rocky River Realty Company ("RR"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of NU; The Quinnehtuk Company ("Quinnehtuk"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of NU, Properties, Inc. ("Properties"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of PSNH; Yankee Energy Financial Services Company ("Yankee Financial"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of YES; Yankee Energy Services Company ("YESCO"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of YES; NorConn Properties, Inc. ("NorConn"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of YES; NU Enterprises, Inc. ("NUEI"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of NU; Northeast Generation Company ("NGC"), a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of NUEI; Northeast Generation Services Company ("NGS") a wholly owned, direct nonutility subsidiary of NUEI; E.S. Boulos Company ("Boulos"), a wholly