

require approximately 40 hours to complete, and post-acceptance activities such as a demonstration of compliance, Environmental Management System Documentation and reporting, a demonstration of continuous improvement, reporting, and public outreach are estimated to require approximately 190 hours per facility. EPA estimates total respondent costs for the 277 current members to be \$295,836 for the application phase and \$1,497,531 for participation in the program. For an individual facility, EPA estimates the application phase to cost \$1068.00 and program participation to cost \$5406.25. Preparing and submitting the application is a one-time event and program participation activities occur on an annual basis provided that the facility remains a member of the program.

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: January 14, 2003.

Daniel J. Fiorino,

Director, Performance Incentives Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7443-9]

Proposed Administrative Settlement Agreement Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as Amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act—Upper Tenmile Creek Watershed, Lewis and Clark County and Jefferson County, Montana

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of a proposed settlement under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended (CERCLA), concerning the Upper Tenmile Creek Mining Area NPL site and Basin Mining Area NPL site in Lewis and Clark County and Jefferson County, Montana (Sites). The proposed prospective purchaser agreement with the State of Montana, acting by and through the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), would resolve any liability the State might incur when it acquires property which was previously part of the Basin Creek Mine from the Chapter 7 bankruptcy estates of Pegasus Gold Montana Mining, Inc. (PGMMI) and Pangea Explorations, Inc. (PEI). MDEQ would acquire the property through a settlement agreement with the bankruptcy trustee; the agreement is attached to the proposed prospective purchaser agreement.

EPA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (Forest Service) intend to use a portion of the property, known as the Luttrell Pit mine waste repository, to implement CERCLA remedial actions at the Sites.

Parties to the Agreement include EPA, the Forest Service, MDEQ and the United States Department of Justice.

DATES: The public should submit comments to EPA relating to this proposed settlement on or before February 18, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at the EPA's Region VIII Superfund Records Center, 999 18th Street, 5th Floor, North Tower, Denver, Colorado, (303) 312-6473 and at EPA's Montana Superfund Records Center, Federal Office Building, 10 West 15th Street, Suite 3200, Helena, Montana, (406) 457-5046. Comments should be addressed to Carol J. Pokorny, Enforcement Specialist, (8ENF-T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado, 80202-2466, and should reference the Upper Tenmile Creek Mining Area and Basin Mining Area Sites Prospective Purchaser Agreement with the State of Montana.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne Bohan, Enforcement Attorney, at (303) 312-6925.

Dated: January 9, 2003.

Carol Rushin,

Assistant Regional Administrator, Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice.

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FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Farm Credit Administration Board; Regular Meeting

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)), that the February 13, 2003, regular meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board (Board) will not be held. The FCA Board will hold a special meeting at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, February 19, 2003. An agenda for this meeting will be published at a later date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeanette C. Brinkley, Secretary to the Farm Credit Administration Board, (703) 883-4009, TTY (703) 883-4056.

ADDRESSES: Farm Credit Administration, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102-5090.

Dated: January 22, 2003.

Jeanette C. Brinkley,

Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[CC Docket 98-67; DA 03-99]

Notice of Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) Applications for State Certification Accepted Pleading Cycle Established for Comment on TRS Certification Applications

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Commission notifies the public, state Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) programs, and TRS providers that TRS applications for certification have been accepted and that the pleading cycle for comments and reply comments regarding these applications has been established.

DATES: Interested parties may file comments in this proceeding no later than February 17, 2003. Reply comments may be filed no later than March 3, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Erica Myers, (202) 418-2429 (voice), (202) 418-0464 (TTY), or e-mail emyers@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's Public

Notice, CC Docket 98-67, released January 15, 2003. This notice seeks public comment on the above-referenced applications for TRS certification. Copies of applications for certification are available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554. The applications for certification are also available on the Commission's Web site at http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/dro/trs_by_state.html. They may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone (202) 863-2893, facsimile (202) 863-2898, or via e-mail qualexint@aol.com.

Interested parties may file comments in this proceeding no later than February 17, 2003. Reply comments may be filed no later than March 3, 2003. When filing comments, please reference CC Docket No. 98-67 and the relevant state file number of the state application that is being commented upon. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 FR 24121 (1998). Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply. Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number. Filings can be sent by hand or

messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Services mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Vistronix, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Room TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554.

Parties who choose to file by paper should also submit their comments on diskette or via email in Microsoft Word. These diskettes should be submitted to: Erica Myers, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Room 6-A432, Washington DC 20554. The e-mail should be submitted to Erica Myers at emyers@fcc.gov. Such a submission should be on a 3.5 inch diskette formatted in an IBM compatible format using Word 97 or compatible software. The diskette should be accompanied by a cover letter and should be submitted in "read only" mode. The diskette should be clearly labeled with the commenter's name, proceeding (including the lead docket number in this case, CC Docket No. 98-67, type of pleading (comment or reply comment), date of submission, and the name of the electronic file on the diskette. The label should also include the following phrase "Disk Copy—Not an Original." Each diskette should contain only one party's pleadings, preferably in a single electronic file. In addition, commenters must send diskette copies to the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554.

This proceeding shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's ex parte rules. See 47 CFR 1.1200 and 1.1206. Persons making oral ex parte presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries

of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required. See 47 CFR 1.1206(b). Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.1206(b).

Alternative formats (computer diskette, large print, audio recording and Braille) are available to persons with disabilities by contacting Brian Millin, of the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau, at (202) 418-7426, TTY (202) 418-7365, or e-mail at bmillin@fcc.gov. This *Public Notice* can also be downloaded in Text and ASCII formats at: <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/dro>.

Synopsis

Notice is hereby given that the states listed below have applied to the Commission for renewal of the certification of their State Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) program pursuant to Title IV of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), 47 U.S.C. 225 and the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 64.601-605. Current state certifications expire July 25, 2003. Applications for certification, covering the five year period of July 26, 2003 to July 25, 2008, must demonstrate that the state TRS program complies with the ADA and the Commission's rules for the provision of TRS.

File No: TRS-46-02
Alabama Public Service Commission,
State of Alabama
File No: TRS-19-02
Alaska Public Utilities Commission,
State of Alaska
File No: TRS-49-02
District of Columbia Public Service
Commission, District of Columbia
File No: TRS-10-02
Illinois Commerce Commission, State of
Illinois
File No: TRS-34-02
Department of Public Utilities, State of
Massachusetts
File No: TRS-39-02
Minnesota Department of Public
Service, State of Minnesota
File No: TRS-55-02
Mississippi Public Service Commission,
State of Mississippi
File No: TRS-16-02
New York State Department of Public
Service, State of New York
File No: TRS-12-02
Information Services Division, State of
North Dakota
File No: TRS-57-02

Oklahoma Telephone Association, State of Oklahoma
 File No: TRS-11-02
 South Carolina Budget & Control Board, State of South Carolina
 File No: TRS-27-02
 Department of Social and Health Services, State of Washington

Federal Communications Commission.

Margaret M. Egler,

Deputy Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau.

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FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

Labor-Management Cooperation Program; Application Solicitation

AGENCY: Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

ACTION: Request for public comment on draft Fiscal Year 2003 program Guidelines/Application Solicitation for Labor-Management Committees.

SUMMARY: The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) is publishing the draft Fiscal Year 2003 Program Guidelines/Application Solicitation for the Labor-Management Cooperation Program to inform the public. The program is supported by Federal funds authorized by the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978, subject to annual appropriations. This Solicitation contains changes in the allocation of all grant funds returned to FMCS.

DATES: Comments must be submitted before February 26, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: Jane A. Lorber, Director, Labor Management Grants Program, FMCS, 2100 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20427.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane A. Lorber, 202-606-8181.

Labor-Management Cooperation Program Application Solicitation for Labor-Management Committees FY2003

I. Introduction

The following is the draft solicitation for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2003 cycle of the Labor-Management Cooperation Program as it pertains to the support of labor-management committees. These guidelines represent the continuing efforts of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service to implement the provisions of the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978, which was initially implemented in FY81. The Act authorizes FMCS to provide assistance in the establishment and operation of

company/plant, area, public sector, and industry-wide labor-management committees which:

A. Have been organized jointly by employers and labor organizations representing employees in that company/plant, area, government agency, or industry; and

B. Are established for the purpose of improving labor-management relationships, job security, and organizational effectiveness; enhancing economic development; or involving workers in decisions affecting their working lives, including improving communication with respect to subjects of mutual interest and concern.

The Program Description and other sections that follow, as well as a separately published FMCS Financial and Administrative Grants Manual, make up the basic guidelines, criteria, and program elements a potential applicant for assistance under this program must know in order to develop an application for funding consideration for either a company/plant, area-wide industry, or public sector labor-management committee. Directions for obtaining an application kit may be found in Section H. A copy of the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978, included in the application kit, should be reviewed in conjunction with this solicitation.

II. Program Description

Objectives

The Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978 identifies the following seven general areas for which financial assistance would be appropriate to:

A. Improve communication between representatives of labor and management;

B. Provide workers and employers with opportunities to study and explore new and innovative joint approaches to achieving organizational effectiveness;

C. Assist workers and employers in solving problems of mutual concern not susceptible to resolution within the collective bargaining process;

D. Study and explore ways of eliminating potential problems which reduce the competitiveness and inhibit the economic development of the company/plant, area, or industry;

E. Enhance the involvement of workers in making decisions that affect their working lives;

F. Expand and improve working relationships between workers and managers; and

G. Encourage free collective bargaining by establishing continuing mechanisms for communication between employers and their employees

through Federal assistance in the formation and operation of labor-management committees. The primary objective of this program is to encourage and support the establishment and operation of joint labor-management committees to carry out specific objectives that meet the fore mentioned general criteria. The term "labor" refers to employees represented by a labor organization and covered by a formal collective bargaining agreement. These committees may be found at the plant (company), area, industry, or public sector levels.

A plant or company committee is generally characterized as restricted to one or more organizational or productive units operated by a single employer. An area committee is generally composed of multiple employers of diverse industries as well as multiple labor unions operating within and focusing upon a particular city, county, contiguous multi-county, or statewide jurisdiction. An industry committee generally consists of a collection of agencies or enterprises and related labor union(s) producing a common product or service in the private sector on a local, state, regional, or nationwide level. A public sector committee consists of government employees and managers in one or more units of a local or state government, managers and employees of public institutions of higher education, or of employees and managers of public elementary and secondary schools. Those employees must be covered by a formal collective bargaining agreement or other enforceable labor-management agreement. In deciding whether an application is for an area or industry committee, consideration should be given to the above definitions as well as to the focus of the committee.

In FY 2003, competition will be open to company/plant, area, private industry, and public sector committees. Special consideration will be given to committee applications involving innovative or unique efforts. All application budget requests should focus directly on supporting the committee. Applicants should avoid seeking funds for activities that are clearly available under other Federal programs (e.g., job training, mediation of contract disputes, etc.)

Required Program Elements

A. *Problem Statement*—The application should have numbered pages and discuss in detail what specific problem(s) face the company/plant, area, government, or industry and its workforce that will be addressed by the committee. Applicants must