

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Paul Werbos, Program Director, Neuroengineering, Division of Electrical and Communications System, Room 675, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

*Telephone:* (703) 306-1340.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate ARI proposals that were submitted to the Division of Electrical and Communication Systems as part of the selection process for awards.

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: May 6, 1996.

M. Rebecca Winkler,

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## National Science Foundation

### Special Emphasis Panel in Science Resources Studies; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

*Name:* Special Emphasis Panel in Science Resources Studies (#1211).

*Date and Time:* May 30, 1996-9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; May 31, 1996-9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

*Place:* Room 340, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia.

*Type of Meeting:* Partially Open.

*Contact Person:* Ann Lanier, Project Director, Survey of Academic Research Facilities, Division of Science Resources Studies, National Science Foundation, Room 965, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 306-1774, ext. 6910.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To review and comment on the content, structure, and layout of the biennial report to Congress, Scientific and Engineering Research Facilities at Universities and Colleges: 1996

*Agenda:* May 30—Review and comment on the DRAFT data tables for the report and review and comment on the body of the report. May 31—Review and comment on the DRAFT of the body of the report.

*Reason for Closing:* The closed portion of the meeting on May 30th will disclose data from individual institutions that is privileged or confidential. These matters are within exemption (4) of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: May 6, 1996.

M. Rebecca Winkler,

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

[RI 30-9]

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Reclearance of Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for reclearance of the following information collection. RI 30-9, Reinstatement of Disability Annuity Previously Terminated Because of Restoration to Earning Capacity, informs disability annuitants of their right to request restoration under title 5, U.S.C., Section 8337. It also specifies the conditions to be met and the documentation required for a person to request reinstatement.

Approximately 200 forms are completed annually. The form takes approximately 60 minutes to respond, including a medical examination. The annual estimated burden is 200 hours. Burden may vary depending on the time required for a medical examination.

For copies of this proposal, contact Jim Farron on (202) 418-3208, or E-mail to jmfarron@mail.opm.gov

**DATES:** Comments on this proposal should be received on or before July 9, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Send or deliver comments to—Lorraine E. Dettman, Chief, Operations Support Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 3349, Washington, DC 20415.

### FOR INFORMATION REGARDING

**ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION CONTACT:** Mary Beth Smith-Toomey, Management Services Division, (202) 606-0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Lorraine A. Green,

*Deputy Director.*

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## Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee; Open Committee Meeting

According to the provisions of section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), notice is hereby given that meetings of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee will be held on—

Thursday, June 13, 1996

Thursday, June 27, 1996

Thursday, July 25, 1996

Thursday, August 8, 1996

Thursday, August 22, 1996

Thursday, September 12, 1996

The meetings will start at 10:45 a.m. and will be held in Room 5A06A, Office of Personnel Management Building, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

The Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee is composed of a Chair, five representatives from labor unions holding exclusive bargaining rights for Federal blue-collar employees, and five representatives from Federal agencies. Entitlement to membership on the Committee is provided for in 5 U.S.C. 5347.

The Committee's primary responsibility is to review the Prevailing Rate System and other matters pertinent to establishing prevailing rates under subchapter IV, chapter 53, 5 U.S.C., as amended, and from time to time advise the Office of Personnel Management.

These scheduled meetings will start in open session with both labor and management representatives attending. During the meeting either the labor members or the management members may caucus separately with the Chair to devise strategy and formulate positions. Premature disclosure of the matters discussed in these caucuses would unacceptably impair the ability of the Committee to reach a consensus on the matters being considered and would disrupt substantially the disposition of its business. Therefore, these caucuses will be closed to the public because of a determination made by the Director of the Office of Personnel Management under the provisions of section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B). These caucuses may, depending on the issues involved, constitute a substantial portion of the meeting.

Annually, the Chair compiles a report of pay issues discussed and concluded recommendations. These reports are available to the public, upon written request to the Committee's Secretary.

The public is invited to submit material in writing to the Chair on Federal Wage System pay matters felt to be deserving of the Committee's attention. Additional information on

these meetings may be obtained by contacting the Committee's Secretary, Office of Personnel Management, Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee, Room 5559, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20415 (202) 606-1500.

Dated: May 3, 1996.

Phyllis G. Foley,

*Chair, Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 35-26514]

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

May 3, 1996.

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 thereunder. 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 amendments thereto is/are available for public inspection through the Commission's Office 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 May 28, 1996, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. 20549, 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 case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing shall identify specifically the issues of fact 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 said date, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

Louisiana Power & Light Company (70-8487)

Louisiana Power & Light Company ("LP&L" or "Company"), 639 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70113, an electric public-utility subsidiary company of Entergy Corporation, a

registered holding company, has filed a post-effective amendment to its application-declaration under section 6(a), 7, 9(a) and 10 of the Act and rule 54 thereunder.

By order dated October 3, 1995 (HCAR No. 26387) ("Order"), the Commission authorized, among other things, LP&L to issue and sell, through December 31, 1997: (1) Directly or indirectly through a subsidiary, not more than \$610 million principal amount of its first mortgage bonds ("Bonds"), debentures ("Debentures") and preferred securities of a subsidiary of LP&L to be issued in one or more new series; and (2) collateral bonds in a total aggregate principal amount of \$75 million to secure certain tax-exempt bonds.

LP&L now proposes to issue and sell the Debentures either unsecured or secured by certain LP&L assets, junior and subordinate to the first lien ("Junior Lien") of its Mortgage and Deed of Trust dated April 1, 1944, to Bank of Montreal Trust Company ("Mortgage"). In addition, LP&L proposes that the Debentures may be secured by a pledge of first mortgage bonds issued under the Mortgage.

The Debentures will be issued under either LP&L's Debenture Indenture, Indenture for Debt Securities or its Subordinated Debenture Indenture, (each, a "Debenture Indenture"), as may be supplemented from time to time. Debentures issued under the form of the Debenture Indenture initially will be secured obligations of the Company, entitled to the Junior Lien on the Company's assets. In connection with the issuance of Debentures secured by the Junior Lien under such Debenture Indenture, the Company may provide security for the holders of such Debentures in the form of first mortgage bonds issued under the Mortgage as it may be supplemented. Such first mortgage bonds would be issued on the basis of unfunded net property additions and/or previously-retired first mortgage bonds and delivered to the trustee under such Debenture Indenture. The first mortgage bonds could be issued in an amount equal to the principal amount of such Debentures and bear interest at a rate of interest equivalent to the rate of interest on such Debentures or bear no interest. These first mortgage bonds would be separate and apart from the Bonds (proposed to be issued and sold in an aggregate principal amount of not more than \$610 million).

The Company's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation ("Charter") provide, for the benefit of holders of preferred securities,

restrictions on the amount of unsecured indebtedness issued by the Company. As a result of these restrictions, the Company proposes to issue Debentures secured by either the Junior Lien or a pledge of first mortgage bonds in order that any such Debentures so issued would not constitute unsecured debt for purposes of the Charter.

The Debenture Indenture under which the Company may issue Debentures secured by the Junior Lien and/or such first mortgage bonds provides for the amendment and restatement of such Debenture Indenture in its entirety, without the consent of the holders of the Debentures outstanding thereunder, to remove the Junior Lien and to release any such collateral first mortgage bonds such that the Debentures would become entirely unsecured obligations of the Company. Such an amendment eliminating the Junior Lien would be subject to the following conditions: (1) No event of default has occurred and is continuing under the Debenture Indenture; and (2)(a) the Company's Charter has been duly amended to eliminate the restrictions on the issuance of unsecured indebtedness, (b) all preferred securities issued by the Company and outstanding are paid, retired or redeemed, or (c) holders of such preferred securities consent to amend the Company's Charter for the purpose of eliminating such restrictions.

The Order also authorized LP&L to enter into arrangements to finance or refinance pollution control facilities ("Facilities") through the issuance of tax-exempt revenue bonds up to an aggregate principal amount of \$65 million, including the possible issuance of an irrevocable letter of credit from a bank ("Bank") and/or pledge of one or more series of first mortgage bonds up to an aggregate principal amount of \$75 million to be used as collateral for the tax-exempt revenue bonds. As an alternative to the security provided by the Bank, in order to obtain a more favorable rating on tax-exempt bonds and consequently improve the marketability thereof, the Company may (a) determine to provide an insurance policy for the payment of the principal of and/or interest and/or premium on one or more series of tax-exempt bonds, and/or (b) provide security for holders of tax-exempt bonds and/or the Bank equivalent to the security accorded to (i) holders of first mortgage bonds outstanding under the Company's Mortgage by obtaining the authentication of and pledging one or more new series of first mortgage bonds ("Collateral Bonds") under the Mortgage as it may be supplemented or (ii)