

to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 or 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 or 385.214). All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Notice of Application Filed With the Commission

August 5, 1996.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. Type of Application: Lease of Project Property.

b. Project No.: Project No. 2280-002.

c. Date Filed: June 6, 1996.

d. Applicants: The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (Transferor) and Jersey Central Power & Light Company (Transferee).

e. Name of Project: Kinzua (A.K.A. Seneca) Pumped Storage.

f. Location: On the Allegheny River in Kinzua, Warren County, Pennsylvania.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. Applicants' Contact: Mr. Michael C. Regulinski, Esq., Centrior Energy Corporation, 6200 Oak Tree, IND450, Independence, Ohio 44131, Telephone: (216) 447-2191; Mr. James K. Mitchell, Esq., Reid & Priest, Market Square, 701 Pennsylvania Ave., #800, Washington, DC 20004, Telephone: (202) 508-4002.

i. FERC Contact: Mr. Thomas F. Papsidero, (202) 219-2715.

j. Comment Date: September 18, 1996.

k. Description of Transfer: The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (Cleveland Electric) and Pennsylvania Electric Company, licensees for Project No. 2280, and the Jersey Central Power & Light Company (Jersey Central) request approval of a lease of project property between Cleveland Electric and Jersey Central. Under the lease, and addendum to the lease, Cleveland Electric would convey

to Jersey Central its ownership share of the project's output (see Docket Nos. ER96-1471-000 and EC96-26-000) and would convey to Jersey Electric the right to exercise Cleveland Electric's rights under the Facilities and Operating Agreements between the licensees, which affect the timing and generation of electricity at the project.

1. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C2 and D2.

B. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

C2. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS,"

"RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS," "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," "COMPETING APPLICATION," "PROTEST," or "MOTION TO INTERVENE," as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. A copy of a notice of intent, competing application, or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also

be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5550-3]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Environmental Protection Agency/Chemical Manufacturers Association Root Cause Analysis Pilot Project

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that EPA is planning to submit the following proposed and/or continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Environmental Protection Agency/Chemical Manufacturers Association Root Cause Analysis Pilot Project. 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 October 8, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Tracy Back (2224A) or Sally Sasnett (2224A), U.S. EPA, 401 M St., SW., Washington DC 20460. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the ICR without charge by calling Tracy Back at (202) 564-7076.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tracy Back, (202) 564-7076, or Sally Sasnett, (202) 564-7074. Facsimile number: (202) 564-0009.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are Chemical Manufacturers Association member companies that voluntarily choose to participate in the pilot project.

Title: Environmental Protection Agency/Chemical Manufacturers Association Root Cause Analysis Pilot Project.

Abstract: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in conjunction with the Chemical Manufacturers Association (CMA), is developing a pilot project to improve environmental performance and regulatory compliance. To achieve this goal, EPA and CMA will analyze past compliance information of

CMA member companies to: (1) Identify fundamental causes of noncompliance; (2) identify common features or trends among these causes; and (3) develop innovative compliance management recommendations and potential pollution prevention opportunities to help facilities achieve and maintain compliance. The pilot project will focus on areas of noncompliance that have been addressed through a Federal civil administrative or judicial enforcement actions that were commenced and closed between fiscal years 1990–1995.

To identify the fundamental causes of noncompliance, EPA and CMA will develop a survey tool for participating CMA member companies. The survey will seek responses regarding the fundamental causes of identified noncompliance, actions taken by facilities to remedy the noncompliance, and additional recommendations for compliance activities or potential pollution prevention opportunities to continuously improve compliance. In addition, the survey may also seek information regarding CMA's Responsible Care® program and its impact on compliance. To support completion of the survey and help identify the fundamental causes of noncompliance, EPA will supply participating CMA member companies with compliance data for fiscal years 1990–1995 from closed Federal civil administrative or judicial enforcement actions specific to their facilities. Participating CMA member companies will be afforded the opportunity to review and verify compliance data provided to them. Participation by CMA member companies in this pilot project is voluntary. 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 is soliciting 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, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (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 the use of

appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: It is estimated that approximately 100 facilities may voluntarily participate on the EPA/CMA Root Cause Analysis Pilot Project. Each participant will be asked to complete the EPA/CMA-developed "one-time" survey. In addition, participating facilities will be provided the opportunity to review and verify EPA-supplied compliance data. EPA estimates that participating facilities may need to spend up to seven hours to research compliance files and complete the survey. Therefore, a total of 700 facility hours may be expended to provide EPA and CMA with data for use in the pilot project. This burden hour estimate translates to a cost of \$308.70 per facility and a total cost to industry of \$30,870. The respondent costs were calculated based on \$21.00 per hour, plus 110 percent overhead. 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: August 2, 1996.

Elaine Stanley,

Director, Office of Compliance.

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[FRL–5550–8]

Request for Nominations to the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is inviting nominations of qualified candidates to consider for appointment to fill

vacancies on its National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT). Nominations will be accepted until close of business September 6, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Submit nominations to: Mr. Gordon Schisler, Acting Director, Office of Cooperative Environmental Management, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1601–F, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gordon Schisler, Designated Federal Official for NACEPT, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1601–F, Washington, D.C. 20460; telephone 202–260–9741.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NACEPT is a federal advisory committee under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, PL 92463. NACEPT provides advice and recommendations to the Administrator of EPA on a broad range of environmental policy issues. The Administrator has asked NACEPT to concentrate on regulatory incentives that could be used to promote a community-based approach (CBEP) to environmental management, assess whether EPA's information systems are designed to support CBEP and various new approaches to environmental protection relative to partnerships with states and regulated entities, and identify criteria and recommend a framework that the Agency can use to measure the success of its reinvention efforts.

The following standing committees were formed in FY'96 to examine different aspects of the Agency's community-based approach to environmental protection; the Agency's regulatory reinvention efforts, and information resource requirements to support the Agency's broad environmental goals.

- The Information Impacts Committee has been tasked with reviewing Agency information strategies, and providing recommendations on how to effectively position information resources to support new, comprehensive and long-term initiatives such as the Common Sense Initiative, Performance Partnerships, and Project XL, as well as the community-based approach to environmental protection.

- The Reinvention Criteria Committee is identifying evaluation criteria the Agency can use to measure the progress and success of specific reinvention projects. The selection of the projects is coordinated with the EPA Regulatory Reinvention Team.

- The Community-Based Environmental Protection (CBEP) Committee is examining the defining