

Mcf per day of firm transportation (FT) service to Tallahassee, effective at the end of the contract day of September 30, 1996. South Georgia provides this firm service to Tallahassee under its Rate Schedules FT under a service agreement dated May 5, 1992.

By letter dated May 3, 1996, Tallahassee gave South Georgia notice to terminate the above level of firm service at the end of the primary term of September 30, 1996, and to retain 1,000 Mcf per day of FT service, thereunder. South Georgia states that since these firm services originated from the exercise of conversion rights from firm sales service during a period of time protected from pregranted abandonment by Section 284.221(d)(3) of the Commission's regulations, South Georgia is required to file this application for abandonment authority in order to terminate this service as requested by Tallahassee under the contract terms.

**Comment date:** September 6, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

#### Standard Paragraphs

F. Any person desiring to be heard or make any protest with reference to said filing should on or before the comment date file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this filing if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is

required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for the applicant to appear or be represented at the hearing.

G. Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to § 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

*Acting Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5558-6]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; National Pretreatment Program

**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 the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Revision of the Information Collection Request for the National Pretreatment Program (OMB Control No. 2040-0009, EPA ICR No. 0002.08). The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before September 23, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL:** Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 0002.08.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** National Pretreatment Program Information Collection Request (OMB

Control No. 2040-0009, EPA ICR No. 0002.08) expiring 10/31/96. This is a request for review of a revision of a currently approved collection.

**Abstract:** Pursuant to Sections 307(b) and 402(a) & (b) of the Clean Water Act and 40 CFR Part 403, EPA, States, and Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTWs) implement the National Pretreatment Program. The Pretreatment Program is a joint regulatory effort by federal, State, and local authorities to control nondomestic (i.e., industrial and commercial) sources of pollutants discharged to POTWs. The Clean Water Act requires EPA to develop national pretreatment standards to control discharges from Industrial Users (IUs) into sewage systems, or POTWs. These standards limit the level of certain pollutants in IU wastewaters. EPA administers the pretreatment program through the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program. Under the NPDES permit program, EPA may approve State or individual POTW implementation of the pretreatment standards at their respective levels.

EPA uses the data collected under the pretreatment program to monitor and enforce compliance with the regulations, as well as to authorize program administration at the State or local (POTW) level. The data collected from IUs includes the mass, frequency, and content of their discharges, their schedules for installing pretreatment equipment, and actual or anticipated discharges of wastes that violate pretreatment standards, have the potential to cause problems at the POTW, or are considered hazardous under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). IUs and POTWs submit written reports. States and POTWs applying for approval of pretreatment programs submit data concerning their legal, procedural, and administrative bases for establishing such programs. This information may include surveys of IUs, local limits for pollutant concentration, and schedules for completion of major project requirements.

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 Federal Register Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on April 24, 1996 (61 FR 18137); no comments

were received during the comment period, however one comment was received after the close of the comment period. The requestor's (the American Crop Protection Association) comments were considered and incorporated into the ICR. Changes made in response to the comments centered on reporting requirements for pollution prevention contained in the Pesticides Formulating, Packaging and Repackaging Effluent Guidelines and Standards (40 CFR 455).

**Burden Statement:** The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 6.5 hours per response and to require 7 hours per respondent for recordkeeping. 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.

**Respondents/Affected Entities:** State and local governments and the regulated industrial users.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 33,526.

**Frequency of Response:** Annually, and on occasion.

**Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:** 1,765,156 hours.

**Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden:** \$47,349,000.

Respondents and affected entities are the total number of recordkeepers and the total number of respondents.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 0002.08 and OMB Control No. 2040-0009 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OPPE Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460.  
and

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and

Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: August 15, 1996.

David Schwarz,

*Acting Director, Regulatory Information Division.*

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[FRL-5558-7]

### **Availability of Border Environment Cooperation Commission Certification Criteria Document**

**AGENCY:** Border Environment Cooperation Commission.

**ACTION:** Request for public comments on the BECC Certification Criteria document.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the availability of the BECC Certification Criteria document for public review and comment during the special public meeting of the BECC Executive Committee on September 26, 1996, at the Hotel Lucerna, located at Triunfo de la República #3976, in Cd. Juárez, Chihuahua.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the BECC on or before September 26, 1996. Oral comments may be received on September 26, 1996, during a special public meeting of the BECC Executive Committee, at the Hotel Lucerna, located at Triunfo de la República #3976, in Cd. Juárez, Chihuahua. To mail comments, receive a copy of the document, or for further information contact:

Ms. April Lander, Program Manager—Environment, Border Environment Cooperation Commission, P.O. Box 221648, El Paso, Texas 79913; Tel: (011-52-16) 29-23-95; Fax: (011-52-16) 29-23-97; E-mail: alander@cocef.interjuarez.com  
H. Roger Frauenfelder, General Manager, Border Environment Cooperation Commission, P.O. Box 221648, El Paso, Texas 79913.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC) is pleased to announce the availability of the revised *Certification Criteria* for public review and comment. The Criteria were first adopted by the BECC Board of Directors following an extensive public review and comment process in August 1995.

The changes in the revised document from its original, community-tested version reflect the knowledge gained from a year's operating experience. The BECC has already incorporated suggestions from the border

municipalities and states, project sponsors, non-governmental organizations and border residents to streamline the process without disturbing the integrity of the document. Furthermore, the format of the document has been adjusted to be easier to understand and duplication has been eliminated.

In other areas, the document has been enhanced to include an explanation of the project development assistance program, principles for private projects, and high sustainability recognition. These new programs and policies have strengthened the criteria and will benefit communities along the entire border.

The criteria are utilized by the BECC to evaluate and certify environmental infrastructure projects. Eight projects have been certified by the BECC Board of Directors using the Criteria to date. Projects that are certified by the BECC qualify for financing consideration from the North American Development Bank (NADBank), BECC's sister institution, and other funding sources.

To be certified by the Board of Directors, project sponsors must comply with general criteria and five specific criteria including: (1) environment and human health; (2) technical feasibility; (3) financial feasibility; (4) community participation; and (5) sustainable development.

### **Submitting Comments**

The BECC is accepting comments from the public on the revised criteria over a 45 day comment period. Written comments must be submitted to the BECC on or before September 26, 1996. Oral comments may be provided a special public meeting of BECC's Executive Committee from 3:00 pm-7:00 pm, on September 26, 1996, at the Hotel Lucerna, located at Triunfo de la República #3976, in Cd. Juárez, Chihuahua.

The criteria document will be revised following a review and synthesis of the written and oral comments made by the public. It is anticipated that the BECC Board of Directors will consider the final document for approval during a regular public meeting scheduled for October 29, 1996, in Laredo, Texas. The BECC encourages public comments to be incorporated directly onto a copy of the document available on a computer diskette. The revised criteria document is also available on the BECC Home Page: <http://cocef.interjuarez.com>, or upon request.