

the Battery, New York. The project area includes the ocean and bay shorelines, Fire Island, Moriches and Shinnecock Inlets, barrier beaches, the mainland, as well as suitable offshore borrow areas for that will supply material for beach construction and replenishment.

## 2. Reasonable Alternative Actions

The ongoing reformulation study will further consider beach fill alternatives, and others, including, but not limited to, "hard structures" such as groin fields, seawalls, revetments, and breakwaters to identify an economically optimal plan.

## 3. Scoping Process

### A. Public Involvement

A separate scoping correspondence detailing the proposed plan will be distributed to all appropriate public and private agencies and organizations with the intent of receiving opinions all from interested parties. Public information meetings will be scheduled throughout the EIS phase. Additions to this mailing list can be made by notifying the project EIS coordinator.

### B. Significant Issues Requiring In-Depth Analysis

1. Water Quality Impacts 2. Archaeological and Cultural Resources Impacts 3. Aquatic and Terrestrial Resources Impacts 4. Shorebird Populations 5. Recreational Impacts 6. Economic Impacts 7. Longshore Sand Transport.

### C. Environmental Review and Consultation

Review will be conducted as outlined in the Council on Environmental Quality regulations dated November 29, 1983 (40 CFR parts 1500-108) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineer regulation ER 200-2-2 dated March 4, 1988.

## 4. Scoping Meetings

To date, there have been two interagency scoping meetings: a. an Interagency Scoping meeting sponsored by the New York District, held on November 7, 1996, and b. a Municipal Information meeting sponsored by the local sponsor, the New York Department of Environmental Conservation. The first scheduled public information meetings have been scheduled for July 30, 1997, at Dowling College, Oakdale, New York and August 14, 1997 at Southampton, Hampton Bays Community Center, New York. The purpose of the information meetings is to enable the public to: learn about the potential alternatives, suggest other alternatives, and provide input to the study and technical managers regarding

potential data gaps. A series of meetings will follow and are to be scheduled at a later date and advertised in local newspapers.

## 5. Estimated Date of DEIS Availability

May 2001.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Resources Management Group, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 27, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Dan Chenok, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its

statutory obligations. The Director of the Information Resources Management Group publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: July 22, 1997.

Gloria Parker,

Director, Information Resources Management Group.

## Office of Postsecondary Education

Title: Evaluation Form for the Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program.

Frequency: One Time Per Application.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 125.

Burden Hours: 94.

Abstract: Form to be used by participants under the Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad program to evaluate the substance and quality of the seminars and the administrative capability of the overseas agencies.

## Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Type of Review: New.

Title: Department of Education Federal Cash Award Certification Statement and Department of Education Federal Cash Quarterly Confirmation Statement.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; Not for Profit institutions; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government, SEAs or LEAs.

Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 12,000.

Burden Hours: 38,160.

Abstract: The collection of the Federal Cash Award Statement is necessary for the Agency to monitor cash advanced to grantees and to obtain expenditure information for each grant from grantees. Information collection is used to report total outlays to the Office of Management and Budget and the

Department of the Treasury and is used to project the Federal government's and the Department's financial condition. This information collection also enables the Department to provide Treasury with outlay information to facilitate Treasury's estimation of future borrowing requirements. Respondents include over 12,000 State, local, college, university, proprietary school and non-profit grantees who draw funds from the Department.

The collection of Federal cash quarterly confirmation statement enables grantees to identify discrepancies in grant authorizations, and funds drawn and funds refunded. Action is required only if a grantee's records do not agree with the information contained on the statement. This information will be used to help grantees report and initiate resolution of discrepancies. Respondents include over 12,000 State, local, college, university, proprietary school and non-profit grantees who draw funds from the Department.

#### **Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services**

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Grantee Reporting Form.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

Responses: 165.

Burden Hours: 1.

*Abstract:* Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) training grants provide stipends to "RSA Scholars" in order to train skilled rehabilitation personnel. Grantees are required to "track" scholars, relative to the "payback" provision in the Rehabilitation Act. Data collection is reported annually to RSA in order to monitor performance and report progress to Congress.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

##### **Reports Regarding Employment of Veterans**

**AGENCY:** The Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document provides notice to DOE contractors and prospective bidders/offers that annual reports regarding employment of certain veterans must be furnished to the Department of Labor. Under the Energy

and Water Development Appropriations Act, 1997, the Department of Energy will seek to verify that an offeror or contractor has submitted their required annual "Veterans 100" report before making any contract award, renewal or expenditure.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** This limitation is effective for the term of the appropriation which is October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997, or such later date as the funds may be available.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard B. Langston, Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy (HR-51), Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Procurement and Assistance Management, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, D.C. 20585-0705, (202) 586-8247.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 1997, Public Law 104-206, provides at Section 510 that none of the funds made available in the Act may be obligated or expended to award or renew a contract if the contractor has not filed its most recent annual report regarding the employment of certain veterans ("Veterans 100 Report") which may be required by section 4212(d) of title 38 of the United States Code. These reporting requirements are described in more detail at on § 22.1308 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR 22.1302). Generally, the report is required under any Federal contract exceeding \$10,000 by a clause found at § 52.222-37 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR 52.222-37). Before making an award, renewal or expenditure from this appropriation, the Department of Energy will seek to verify that the offeror or contractor has submitted its most recent required "Veterans 100" report. If a required report has not been filed, the Department may not make an award, renewal or expenditure until the required report is furnished to the Department of Labor.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on July 12, 1997.

**Richard H. Hopf,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Procurement and Assistance Management.*

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

##### **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket Nos. RP97-90-002 and RP97-99-003]

##### **Algonquin LNG, Inc.; Notice of Compliance Filing**

July 22, 1997.

Take notice that on July 18, 1997, Algonquin LNG, Inc. (ALNG) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, Sub Original Sheet No. 83, to be effective July 1, 1997.

ALNG asserts that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's letter order dated July 3, 1997 in Docket Nos. RP97-90-001 and RP97-99-002. ALNG states that the July 3 letter order required ALNG to revise its tariff to reflect certain GISB nominations standards, for which the Commission denied ALNG's requests for waivers.

ALNG states that copies of the filing were served on firm customers of ALNG, interested state commissions and parties to the proceedings.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Regulations. 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

##### **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER97-2867-000]

##### **The Alternative Current Power Group; Notice of Issuance of Order**

July 23, 1997.

The Alternative Current Power Group (ACPG) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which ACPG will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. ACPG