

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 Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that 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.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: September 16, 1998.

**Hazel Fiers,**

*Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer,  
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

#### **Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Student Assistance General Provisions—Subpart I—Immigration Status Confirmation.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profits; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* Responses: 7,310.

*Burden Hours:* 23,026.

*Abstract:* Collection of this information used for immigration status confirmation reduces the potential of fraud and abuse caused by ineligible aliens receiving Federally subsidized student financial assistance under Title IV of the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended. The respondent

population is comprised of 7,310 postsecondary institutions who participate in administration of the Title IV, HEA programs.

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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 Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, 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 October 21, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Werfel\_d@a1.eop.gov. 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, D.C. 20202-4651, or should be electronically mailed to the internet address Pat\_Sherrill@ed.gov, or should be faxed to 202-708-9346.

**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 Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, 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: September 16, 1998.

**Hazel Fiers,**

*Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer,  
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

#### **Office of Educational Research and Improvement**

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Third International Mathematics and Science Study Video—Repeat (TIMSS-R).

*Frequency:* On Occasion.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions.  
*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 6,200.

*Burden Hours:* 1,400.

*Abstract:* Videotape study of 8th grade math and science classrooms in the United States, the Czech Republic, France, Japan, the Netherlands, and One Asian Nation during the 1998-1999 school year. Designed and conducted by the U.S., this study supplements the Main TIMSS-R academic assessment data collection in which 45 to 50 countries are expected to participate. This study is based on and extends the work of the previous TIMSS video study. That study included only mathematics and compared the U.S. data with two other countries—Japan and Germany. This study will include science in addition to mathematics lessons, will be conducted in five high-achieving nations, and will collect and produce video tapes that will be useful for improving teaching practices.

#### **Office of Postsecondary Education**

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program Electronic Debit Account Brochure and Authorization Form.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 102,000.

*Burden Hours:* 3,400.

*Abstract:* This form will be the means by which a Direct Loan borrower authorizes establishment of an Electronic Debit Account.

#### Office of the Under Secretary

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Title:* Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act: Request for Clearance of the State Education Agency and Governor's Reporting Forms.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 109.

*Burden Hours:* 4,360.

*Abstract:* Section 4117 of the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (SDFSCA) requires state chief executive officers, and state educational agencies (SEAs) to submit to the Secretary on a triennial basis a report on the implementation and outcomes of state, local and Governor's SDFSCA programs. ED must report to the President and Congress on a biennial basis regarding the national impact of SDFSCA programs. The two instruments, one for SEAs and one for Governor's programs, included with this Paperwork Reduction Act submission will be used by states to submit the required data to ED.

#### Office of Postsecondary Education

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* Guaranty Agency Quarterly/Annual Report.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profits; State, local or Tribal Gov't; SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 37.

*Burden Hours:* 9,250.

*Abstract:* The Guaranty Agency Quarterly/Annual Report is submitted by 37 agencies operating a student loan Insurance Program under agreement with the Department of Education. These reports are used to evaluate agency operations, make payments to agencies as authorized by law, and to make reports to Congress.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Agency Information Collection Extension

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice. Comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) intends to renew an information collection package with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

The Information Management collection package, OMB Control No. 1910-0100, collects information from DOE's Management and Operating (M&O) Contractors concerning the management and administration of their information resources. The collection of this data is critical to the Department. It is used to ensure that the Department's information resources are managed properly. The data collected involves telecommunications, hardware and software, and printing management.

**DATES AND ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding this information collection package should be submitted to the OMB Desk Officer at the following address no later than October 21, 1998: OMB Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget (OIRA), Room 3001, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

If you wish to submit comments, but find it difficult to do so within the time period allowed, please notify the OMB Desk Officer of your intent as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be reached at (202) 395-3084. In addition, please notify the DOE contact listed in this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND COPIES OF RELEVANT MATERIALS CONTACT:** Mary Ann Wallace, Director, Information, Records & Resource Management (HR-41), Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585, (301) 903-4353.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This package contains the following information: (1) Title of the information collection package; (2) current OMB control number; (3) type of respondents; (4) estimated number of respondents; (5) estimated total number of burden hours; (6) purpose; and (7) the number of collections contained in the package.

*Package Title:* Information Management.

*Current OMB No.:* 1910-0100.

*Type of Respondents:* DOE Management and Operating Contractors (M&O).

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 22,295.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 22,190.

*Purpose:* This information is required for management oversight of DOE M&O Contracts/Contractors and to ensure that the administrative and information management requirements of the contract are managed efficiently and effectively.

*Number of collections:* This package contains 17 collections of information and/or record-keeping requirements.

**Statutory Authority:** Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13).

Issued in Washington, D.C. on August 27, 1998.

**Mary Ann Wallace,**

*Director, Information, Records & Resource Management Group (HR-41).*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. EA-193]

### Application to Export Electric Energy; Energy Atlantic, LLC

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Energy Atlantic, LLC (Energy Atlantic) has applied for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before October 21, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Im/Ex (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-287-5736).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellen Russell (Program Office) 202-586-9624 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-6667.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On September 9, 1998, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) received an application from Energy Atlantic to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada. Energy Atlantic is a power marketer and wholly-owned subsidiary of Maine Public Service Company. Energy Atlantic proposes to transmit to Canada electric energy purchased from