

Conclusions

Based on the analysis contained in the EIS, the administrative record, and the factors discussed above, I identify Operational Workload Alternative III (Preferred Alternative) as the course of action the Navy will implement at the Patuxent River Complex. Operational Workload Alternative III will best allow the Navy to meet current and future global defense challenges posed by a post-Cold War environment. It provides the Navy with the necessary flexibility to efficiently enhance use of Patuxent River Complex facilities and reduce costs to users. Use of the CTR and related laboratories and test support facilities for both manned and unmanned flight testing can be optimized without increasing construction or the number of personnel needed to complete the mission. Navy operational air assets will be able to conduct effective training and pilot evaluation exercises using the technological, visual, and measurement assets that are integral to the instrumented airspace of the CTR. The flexibility in asset management and asset use that is achievable under Operational Workload Alternative III will create no significant impacts to the surrounding environment. The Navy will respond to public concerns involving aircraft and engine testing noise, supersonic events, and UAV operations through the mitigation measures described above.

Dated: May 17, 1999.

Elsie L. Munsell,

*Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy
(Environment and Safety).*

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity; Notice of Members

AGENCY: National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity, Department of Education.

What Is the Purpose of This Notice?

The purpose of this notice is to list the members of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (National Advisory Committee) and to give the public the opportunity to nominate candidates for the positions to be vacated by those members whose terms will expire on September 30, 1999. This notice is required under Section 114(c) of the Higher Education

Act (HEA), as amended by Pub. L. 105-244.

What Is the Role of the National Advisory Committee?

The National Advisory Committee is established under Section 114 of the HEA, as amended, and is composed of 15 members appointed by the Secretary of Education from among individuals who are representatives of, or knowledgeable concerning, education and training beyond secondary education, including representatives of all sectors and type of institutions of higher education.

The National Advisory Committee meets at least twice a year and provides recommendations to the Secretary of Education pertaining to:

- The establishment and enforcement of criteria for recognition of accrediting agencies or associations under subpart 2 of part H of Title IV, HEA.

- The recognition of specific accrediting agencies or associations.
- The preparation and publication of the list of nationally recognized accrediting agencies and associations.

As the Committee deems necessary or on request, the Committee also advises the Secretary about:

- The eligibility and certification process for institutions of higher education under Title IV, HEA.
- The development of standards and criteria for specific categories of vocational training institutions and institutions of higher education for which there are no recognized accrediting agencies, associations, or State agencies in order to establish the interim eligibility of those institutions to participate in Federally funded programs.
- The relationship between (1) accreditation of institutions of higher education and the certification and eligibility of such institutions, and (2) State licensing responsibilities with respect to such institutions.
- Any other advisory functions relating to accreditation and institutional eligibility that the Secretary may prescribe.

What Are the Terms of Office for Committee Members?

The term of office of each member is 3 years, except that any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed is appointed for the remainder of the term. A member may be appointed, at the Secretary's discretion, to serve more than one term.

Who Are the Current Members of the Committee?

The current members of the National Advisory Committee are:

Members With Terms Expiring 9/30/99

- Mr. Gordon M. Ambach (Committee Vice Chairperson), Executive Director, Council of Chief State School Officers, Washington, DC.
- Dr. Norman Francis, President, Xavier University of Louisiana.
- Dr. George A. Pruitt, President, Thomas A. Edison State College, New Jersey.
- Dr. Norma S. Rees, President, California State University, Hayward.
- Honorable Thomas P. Salmon, Chair of the Board, Green Mountain Power Corporation, Vermont.

Members With Terms Expiring 9.30.00

- Dr. David W. Adamany, President Emeritus and Distinguished Professor of Law and Political Science, Wayne State University, Michigan.
- Mr. Robert L. Hawkins, Superintendent, Colorado Mental Health Institute.
- Ms. Tanya L. Pollard, Student, Yale University, Connecticut.
- Dr. Eleanor P. Vreeland, Chairman, Barland, Inc., New York.
- Dr. John A. Yena, President, Johnson & Wakes University, Rhode Island.

Members With Terms Expiring 09/30/01

- Mrs. Wilhelmina R. Delco (Committee Chairperson), Retired Member of Texas House of Representatives.
- Dr. Alfredo G. de los Santos, Jr., Vice Chancellor for Educational Development, Maricopa Community Colleges, Arizona.
- Dr. Kenneth B. Orr, President Emeritus, Presbyterian College, South Carolina.
- Dr. Robert L. Potts, President, University of North Alabama.
- Dr. Richard F. Rosser, President of the President's Group, Wisconsin.

How Do I Nominate an Individual for Appointment as a Committee Member?

If you would like to nominate an individual for appointment to the Committee, send the following information to the Committee's Executive Director:

- A cover letter that provides your reason(s) for nominating the individual; and
- Contact information for the nominee (name, title, business address, and business phone and fax numbers) and a copy of the nominee's resume.

The information must be sent by [insert 45 days from date of publication]

to the following address: Bonnie LeBold, Executive Director, National Advisory Committee, U.S. Department of Education, ROB-3, Rm. 3082, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202-7592.

How Can I Get Additional Information?

If you have any specific questions about the nomination process or general questions about the National Advisory Committee, please contact Ms. Bonnie LeBold, the Committee's Executive Director, at (202) 260-3636 [phone] or (202) 260-5049 [fax] between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Greg Woods,

Chief Operating Officer, The Office of Student Financial Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-42-014]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Refund Report

May 21, 1999.

Take notice that on May 18, 1999, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), tendered for filing a report of refunds related to the above captioned docket. This filing was made pursuant to a September 10, 1997, order of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission issued at Docket No. RP97-369-000, *et al.*

ANR's report of refunds summarizes the status of refunds owed to ANR for Kansas ad valorem tax overpayments. The report also provides the current or last known mailing address of each first seller that has not paid its refund in full.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/>

rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-54-026]

Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice of Refund Report

May 21, 1999.

Take notice that on May 18, 1999, Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG), tendered for filing its second annual refund report in Docket No. RP98-43. This filing and refunds were made to comply with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Order of September 10, 1997. Refunds have been paid by CIG on May 1 and June 10, 1998.

The May 18, 1999 refund report summarizes the refunds made as of that date by CIG for Kansas ad valorem tax overpayments pursuant to the Commission's September 10, 1997 Order. Lump-sum cash refunds were made by CIG to its former jurisdictional sales customers. In instances where payment has not been made within 30 days of receipt from the producers, appropriate interest had been computed as provided for in the Order.

Copies of CIG's filing have been served on CIG's former jurisdictional sales customers, interested states' commissions, and all parties to the proceedings.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/>

rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-256-002]

Columbia Gulf Transmission Company; Notice of Extension of Time and Waiver Request

May 21, 1999.

Take notice that on April 1, 1999, Columbia Gulf Transmission Company (Columbia Gulf), in compliance with the Commission's order issued December 17, 1998,¹ in Docket No. RM96-1-012, tendered for filing a report detailing its level of compliance with Section 284.10(c)(2)(i) of the Commission's Regulations.² This section, adopted by the Commission in Order No. 587-G, requires each interstate pipeline to enter into operational balancing agreements (OBAs) at all points of interconnection between its system and the system of another interstate or intrastate pipeline by April 1, 1999.³

Extension of Time

Columbia Gulf requests an extension of time, until July 1, 1999, to conclude OBA negotiations with three interconnecting systems. In addition, Columbia Gulf seeks either an extension of time to comply with, or a waiver of the requirements of Section 284.10(c)(2)(i) with respect to Columbia Gulf's ownership interest in the Central Texas Loop facility.

Upon consideration, notice is hereby given that Columbia Gulf is granted a further extension of time to comply with section 284.10(c)(2)(i) of the Commission's regulations until no later than June 30, 1999. On or before June 30, 1999, Columbia Gulf must file a statement indicating whether it is in compliance with section 284.10(c)(2)(i) of the Commission's Regulations.

Waiver Request

Columbia Gulf also seeks a waiver of the requirements of Section 284.10(c)(2)(i) for the following types of

¹ Standards For Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines, 85 FERC ¶ 61,371 (1998).

² 18 CFR 284.10(c)(2)(i).

³ Standards For Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines, Order No. 587-G, 63 FR 20072 (Apr. 23, 1998), III FERC Stats. & Regs. Regulations Preambles ¶ 31,062 (Apr. 16, 1998).