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 Leader, Information Management Group, 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.

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: May 5, 2000.

William Burrow,

Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Title: Gun-Free Schools Act Report (KA).

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs (primary).

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 12672. Burden Hours: 27042.

Abstract: The Gun-Free Schools Act (GFSA) requires each State to provide annual reports to the Secretary concerning implementation of the Act's requirements regarding expulsions from schools resulting from weapons violations. The GFSA requires the Secretary to report to Congress if any State is not in compliance with the GFSA, and requires the Secretary to

collect data on the incidence of children with disabilities engaging in threatening behavior or bringing weapons to school.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from http://edicsweb.ed.gov, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request. Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Kathy Axt at (703) 426-9692. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339[°].

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Availability of Solicitation

AGENCY: Idaho Operations Office, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of availability of solicitation—biobased products industry.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office (ID), on behalf of the Office of Industrial Technologies, is seeking applications from private and public institutions of higher learning to promote multidisciplinary education and training programs for graduate students at the Masters or Ph.D. levels in the area of renewable bioproducts. The emerging biobased products industry uses crops, trees, wastes and by-products to make chemical feedstocks and a huge range of everyday consumer goods, like plastics, paints and adhesives. Contributions to this new industry would come from traditional academic programs in crop production, such as agronomy, crop and soil sciences and forestry; programs in environmental sciences, such as ecology, and water and timber management; basic science programs, such as genomics, biology and microbiology; and, programs in industrial production technologies, such as fermentation design, fluid mechanics and systems management. The objective of this new education initiative is to produce graduates who can enter the complex biobased products industry and effectively integrate the knowledge

from a wide range of technologies that are necessary for this industry to grow. **DATES:** The deadline for receipt of applications is 3 p.m. MDT June 20,

ADDRESSES: Applications should be submitted to: Procurement Services Division, U. S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, Attention: Marshall Garr [DE-PS07-00ID13962] 850 Energy Drive, MS 1221, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marshall Garr, Contract Specialist, at

garrmc@id.doe.gov, telepĥone (208) 526-1536.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The statutory authority for this program is the Federal Non-Nuclear Energy Research & Development Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-577). DOE anticipates approximately 3-5 grant awards will be made, ranging from approximately \$70,000 to \$100,000 each year for a maximum of three years in duration. These grants will cover both the costs for establishing a new cross-cutting academic and research program in this field as well as full stipends for 2 or so deserving graduate students at the Masters or Ph.D. level. The issuance date of Solicitation No. DE-PS07-00ID13962 will be May 5, 2000. The solicitation will be available in full text via the Internet at the following address: http://www.id.doe.gov/doeid/psd/procdiv.html. Technical and non-technical questions should be submitted in writing to Marshall Garr by e-mail garrmc@id.doe.gov, or facsimile at 208-526-5548 no later than May 19, 2000.

Issued in Idaho Falls on May 4, 2000.

R. Jeffrey Hoyles,

Director, Procurement Services Division [FR Doc. 00-11867 Filed 5-10-00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450-01-P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-267-000]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of **Proposed Change in FERC Gas Tariff**

May 5, 2000.

Take notice that on May 1, 2000, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing as part of FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets to be effective June 1, 2000.

Primary Case

Twenty-Eighth Revised Sheet No. 17 Second Revised Sheet No. 141

Alternate Case

Alternate Twenty-Eight Revised Sheet No. 17

ANR states that this filing includes both a primary and an alternative set of tariff sheets. In its primary case, ANR seeks to reduce its currently effective cashout surcharge applicable to all cashout activity to \$0.000, and implement an interim cashout surcharge applicable to service under Rate Schedules PTSB1, PTS-2 and PTS-3 for the purpose of giving ANR an opportunity to recover its cumulative cashout imbalance. The interim change of \$0.0120 per Dth is estimated to be in effect for a period of one year. In the alternative, if the primary case is not accepted by the Commission, ANR proposes to increase its currently effective cashout surcharge, from \$0.1211 per Dth to \$0.3344, pursuant to section 15.5 of the General Terms and Conditions of its tariff.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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. 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 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. RP00-268-000]

Destin Pipeline Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff and Requests for Waiver

May 5, 2000.

Take notice that on May 2, 2000, Destin Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Destin) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, revised tariff sheets attached as Appendix A to the filing, proposed to become effective June 1, 2000.

Destin states that the purpose of this filing is to make certain housekeeping changes and to reflect a change in operator status as a result of the pending sale of Southern Natural Gas Company's (Southern) one-third ownership interest in Destin to Amoco Destin Pipeline Company (Amoco). A change in operator status is necessitated since the original operator, Southern, will no longer be a member-owner of Destin. Amoco and Tejas Destin, LLC will jointly operate the Destin pipeline system as more fully described in the application.

Destin also requests waiver of Order No. 587–I, to implement Internet Communications by December 31, 2000, and of its tariff requirements to offer shippers the option of electronic service agreements and other legal documents.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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. 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 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. ER00-1026-000]

Indianapolis Power & Light Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

May 5, 2000.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in this proceeding commencing at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2000, at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC, 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the above-referenced docket.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, please contact Edith Gilmore at (202) 208–2158.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-176-019]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Proposed Change in FERC Gas Tariff

May 5, 2000.

Take notice that on May 2, 2000, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural) tendered for filing to be a part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1, Original Sheet No. 26K, to be effective May 1, 2000.

Natural states that the purpose of this filing is to implement a negotiated rate transaction with Central Illinois Light Company (CILCO) under Rate Schedule FTS pursuant to Section 49 of the General Terms and Conditions of Natural's Tariff.

Natural further states that this transaction is being filed in accordance with the Commission's ruling that a transportation rate inclusive of surcharges would be considered a negotiated rate transaction.

Natural requests waiver of section 49.1(e) of the General Terms and Conditions of its Tariff and of the Commission's Regulations, including the 30-day notice requirement of section 154.207, to the extent necessary to permit Original Sheet No. 26K to become effective May 1, 2000.

Natural states that copies of the filing are being mailed to its customers, interested state commissions and all parties set out on the Commission's official service list in Docket No. RP99–176.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion