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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, 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 July 3, 2000.

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 DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV.

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 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.

Dated: May 26, 2000.

William Burrow,

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

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: The Program for North American Mobility in Higher Education.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 20.

Burden Hours: 400.

Abstract: The Program for North American Mobility in Higher Education is a competition grant program which supports institutional cooperation and student exchange among the countries of the U.S., Mexico, and Canada. Funding supports the participation of U.S. institutions and students in trilateral consortia of institutions of higher education. Funding will be multi-year, with projects lasting up to four years.

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 Joseph Schubart at (202) 708-9266 or via his internet address Joe_Schubart@ed.gov. 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 EDUCATION

[CFDA No.: 84.235K]

Special Demonstration Programs; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

Purpose of Program: To provide financial assistance to support projects or programs that expand and improve the provision of rehabilitation and other services for individuals with disabilities, including technical

assistance that meets the needs of underserved populations.

Eligible Applicants: State vocational rehabilitation agencies; community rehabilitation programs; Indian tribes or tribal organizations; and public or nonprofit agencies or organizations, including institutions of higher education.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: August 1, 2000.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: September 30, 2000.

Applications Available: June 2, 2000.

Available Funds: \$500,000.

Estimated Range of Award: \$400,000 to \$500,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 1.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 60 months. The Assistant Secretary believes that a period of at least 36 months is necessary to accomplish the project objectives. The Assistant Secretary will assess, during the third year of the project period, whether there is a continuing need for the project and whether to provide funding beyond 36 months.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99.

Priority

Background

According to section 21 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (Act), Native Americans have a rate of work-related disability that is about one and one-half times that of the general population. Patterns of inequitable treatment of minorities, including Native Americans, have been documented at all stages of the vocational rehabilitation process.

Priority

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(3) and section 303(b)(4)(C) and (5)(B)(vi) of the Act, the Assistant Secretary gives an absolute preference to applications that meet the following priority. The Assistant Secretary funds only an application that meets this absolute priority.

A project must create a National Technical Assistance Center that would provide technical assistance to tribes and tribal agencies, State vocational rehabilitation agencies, and other service agencies to increase employment opportunities and vocational outcomes for Native Americans with disabilities.

Allowable Activities

Activities that may be supported under this competition include, but are not limited to—

- Assisting tribes and other agencies to conduct market analyses and providing information on self-employment and business ownership for Native Americans with disabilities;
- Providing culturally relevant training to tribes on the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act;
- Identifying solutions related to the lack of infrastructure when developing employment opportunities for Native Americans with disabilities;
- Assisting tribes and other agencies to better understand other issues affecting Native Americans with disabilities, including, but not limited to—housing, transportation, current legislative initiatives such as the Workforce Investment Act and the Workforce Investment Improvement Act, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Disability and Business Technical Assistance Centers, and relevant higher education initiatives, coordination of services available through the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service, long-term care, independent living, and assistive technology.

Selection Criteria: In evaluating an application for a new grant under this competition, the Secretary uses selection criteria chosen from the general selection criteria in 34 CFR 75.210 of EDGAR. The selection criteria to be used for this competition will be provided in the application package for this competition.

For Applications Contact: Education Publications Center (ED Pubs), P.O. Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398. Telephone (toll free): 1-877-433-7827. FAX: (301) 470-1244. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call (toll free): 1-877-576-7734. You may also contact ED Pubs via its Web site (<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/edpubs.html>) or its E-mail address (ed_pubs@inet.ed.gov). If you request an application from ED Pubs, be sure to identify this competition as follows: CFDA number 84.235K.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternate format by contacting the Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3317, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2550. Telephone: (202) 205-8351. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Services

(FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339. However, the Department is not able to reproduce in an alternate format the standard forms included in the application package.

For Further Information Contact: Thomas E. Finch, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3314, Switzer Building, Washington, DC. 20202-2650. Telephone: (202) 205-8292. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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Program Authority: 29 U.S.C. 773(b).

Dated: May 26, 2000.

Judith E. Heumann,
Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP00-298-000]

Kern River Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

May 26, 2000.

Take notice that on May 24, 2000, Kern River Gas Transmission Company

(Kern River) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets:

Pro Forma Sheet No. 5
 Pro Forma Sheet No. 6
 First Revised Sheet No. 15
 First Revised Sheet No. 71
 First Revised Sheet No. 171
 Original Sheet No. 186
 Sheet Nos. 187-299 (Reserved)
 Original Sheet Nos. 423-426
 Sheet Nos. 427-499 (Reserved)
 First Revised Sheet No. 501
 First Revised Sheet No. 601
 First Revised Sheet No. 701
 First Revised Sheet No. 901

Kern River states that the purpose of this filing is to establish provisions in Kern River's tariff that will enable Kern River to offer transportation service under its existing firm rate schedules using different rate options that coincide with the length of contract terms and investment recovery periods underlying the capacity commitments of different groups of shippers. These proposed extended-term rates will be available under certain conditions to any firm shipper that extends the term of an existing transportation service agreement.

Kern River states that a copy of this filing has been served upon Kern River's customers and interested state regulatory commissions.

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).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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