

NOPR.<sup>8</sup> The Commission found that it would be unfair to apply the new Policy Statement to the underlying certificate applications since the applicants had no notice that the Commission was considering a change in its certificate policy at the time they filed their applications. Thus, the issue raised by Texas Eastern in its rehearing request regarding the effective date of the Policy Statement in this proceeding was raised in a specific case, the appropriate forum for such review.

In Order No. 637-A, issued May 19, 2000, the Commission responded to the issues raised by the petitioners in this proceeding with respect to the ROFR pricing policy.<sup>9</sup> Since the Commission addressed at length certain generally applicable concerns raised by the petitioners, we need not repeat our responses here. A number of the petitioner's questions about the ROFR pricing policy do not have general application but are specific to the factual circumstances on a particular pipeline system. As we stated in Order No. 637-A, such complex factual situations should be addressed as they arise in individual pipeline proceedings to implement the ROFR pricing policy.

By the Commission.

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

*Acting Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6847-4]

### Science Advisory Board; Notification of Public Advisory Committee Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Environmental Health Committee (EHC) of the US EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB), will meet on August 30, 2000 in Courtroom B, at the International Trade Commission building, 400 E Street, SW., Washington DC. The meeting will begin 9:00 am and adjourn no later than 5 pm. All times noted are Eastern Daylight Time. The meeting is open to the public, however, seating is limited and available on a first come basis.

**Important Notice:** Documents that are the subject of SAB reviews are normally available from the originating EPA office

and are not available from the SAB Office—information concerning availability of documents from the relevant Program Office is included below.

### Purpose of the Meeting

The Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) data base contains EPA's consensus scientific position on potential adverse human health effects that may result from chronic exposure to specific agents in the environment. First publically available in 1988, the earliest IRIS assessments provided the results of the EPA deliberations culminating in consensus health hazard conclusions. Gradually the assessments included more of the details of the data and of the considerations which led to the consensus conclusions. Since 1995 (when the IRIS Pilot program was undertaken), EPA has taken several steps to ensure that the best available scientific information is included in IRIS assessments, including public requests for all relevant information to be submitted to EPA for consideration in the assessments, and external peer reviews of the assessments.

In response to a directive contained in an October 1999 report from Congress (HR 106-379) regarding EPA's appropriations for FY2000, EPA has evaluated the characterization of data variability and uncertainty in IRIS assessments. EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) first consulted with the SAB Executive Committee (EC) on Nov. 29, 1999, about a proposed approach to this study. This approach involved assembling a team of independent, qualified individuals, external to EPA, to evaluate a representative set of IRIS assessments. ORD/NCEA provided a progress report to the SAB at their March 2000 meeting (at which the EC suggested further enhancements to the study approach), and at the EC's July 12, 2000 meeting. The study undertaken reflects the SAB's advice on how best to proceed, given available resources and the Congress's deadline of October 2000.

### Charge to the Committee

The Charge asks the EHC to respond to the following three questions:

- How well did the study conform to the study plan developed with the SAB EC (November 1999 and March 2000)?
- Does the SAB concur with the findings of the reviewers?
- What further improvements, if any, might the Agency make in IRIS documentation in response to the study results?

### Availability of Review Materials

The principal review document, Characterization of Data Uncertainty and Variability in IRIS Assessments, Pre-Pilot vs Pilot/post-Pilot, is available on the Internet at the SAB website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>), or by request to Ms. Karen Hogan, phone (202) 564-3403, or by email to [hogan.karen@epa.gov](mailto:hogan.karen@epa.gov).

### For Further Information

Any member of the public wishing further information concerning this meeting or wishing to submit brief oral comments (10 minutes or less) must contact Samuel Rondberg, Designated Federal Officer, Science Advisory Board (1400A), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone (301) 812-2560, FAX (410) 286-2689; or via e-mail at [samuelf717@aol.com](mailto:samuelf717@aol.com). Requests for oral comments must be *in writing* (e-mail, fax or mail) and received by Mr. Rondberg no later than noon (EDT) on August 21, 2000.

### Providing Oral or Written Comments at SAB Meetings

It is the policy of the Science Advisory Board to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The Science Advisory Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. **Oral Comments:** In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at a face-to-face meeting will be limited to a total time of ten minutes. For teleconference meetings, opportunities for oral comment will usually be limited to no more than three minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total. Deadlines for getting on the public speaker list for a meeting are given above. Speakers should bring at least 35 copies of their comments and presentation slides for distribution to the reviewers and public at the meeting. **Written Comments:** Although the SAB accepts written comments until the date of the meeting (unless otherwise stated), written comments should be received in the SAB Staff Office at least one week prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the committee for their consideration. Comments should be supplied to the appropriate DFO at the address/contact information noted above in the following formats: one hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format:

<sup>8</sup> 91 FERC ¶ 61,102 (2000).

<sup>9</sup> Regulation of Short-term Natural Gas Transportation Services, Order No. 637-A, 65 Fed. Reg. 35,705 (June 5, 2000), III FERC Stats. & Regs. Regulations Preambles ¶ 31,099 (slip op. at 234-254) (May 19, 2000).

WordPerfect, Word, or Rich Text files (in IBM-PC/Windows 95/98 format). Those providing written comments and who attend the meeting are also asked to bring 25 copies of their comments for public distribution.

#### General Information

Additional information concerning the Science Advisory Board, its structure, function, and composition, may be found on the SAB Website (<http://www.epa.gov/sab>) and in The FY1999 Annual Report of the Staff Director which is available from the SAB Publications Staff at (202) 564-4533 or via fax at (202) 501-0256. Committee rosters, draft Agendas and meeting calendars are also located on our website.

#### Meeting Access

Individuals requiring special accommodation at this meeting, including wheelchair access to the conference room, should contact the DFO at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Dated: July 31, 2000.

**A. Robert Flaak,**

*Acting Staff Director, Science Advisory Board.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission for Extension Under Delegated Authority, Comments Requested

July 31, 2000.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the

information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before October 6, 2000. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESS:** Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commissions, Room 1 A-804, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Les Smith at (202) 418-0217 or via the Internet at [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0790.

*Title:* Availability of Inside Wiring Information—Section 68.110(c).

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Respondents:* Business or Other for Profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 1200.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 1 Hour (avg.).

*Total Annual Burden:* 1200 Hours.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$5000.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Needs and Uses:* Pursuant to Section 68.110(c) telephone companies must provide building owners with all available information regarding carrier-installed wiring on the customer's side of the demarcation point, including copies of existing schematic diagrams and service records. The information must be provided by the telephone company upon request of the building owner or agent thereof. The telephone company must charge the building owner a reasonable fee for this service, which shall not exceed the cost involved in locating and copying the documents. In the alternative, the telephone company may make these documents available for review and copying by the building owner. In this case, the telephone company may charge a reasonable fee, which shall not exceed the cost involved in making the documents available, and may also require the building owner to pay a

deposit to guarantee the documents' return.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0791.

*Title:* Accounting for Judgments and Other Costs Associated with Litigation, CC Docket No. 93-40.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Respondents:* Business or Other for Profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 1.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 36 Hours (avg.).

*Total Annual Burden:* 36 Hours.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$0.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Needs and Uses:* In CC Docket No.

93-240, the Commission considers the issue of the accounting rules and ratemaking policies that should apply to litigation costs incurred by carriers subject to Part 32 of its rules and regulations. The Commission determined that there should be special rules to govern the accounting treatment of federal antitrust judgments and settlements, in excess of avoided costs of litigation, but not for litigation expenses. The Commission concluded that these special rules should not apply to costs arising in other kinds of litigation. To receive recognition of its avoided costs of litigation, a carrier must make a demonstration.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0933.

*Title:* Community Broadband Deployment Database Reporting Form. *Form No.:* FCC Form 460.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Respondents:* State, Local or Tribal Government; not for profit institutions; Number of Respondents: 30.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* .25 Hour (avg.).

*Total Annual Burden:* 7.5 Hours.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$0.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Needs and Uses:* Pursuant to 47 USC Section 410(b), on October 8, 1999, the FCC convened a Federal-State Joint conference on Advanced Telecommunications Services to provide a forum for cooperative dialogue and information exchange between and among state and federal jurisdictions regarding the deployment of advanced telecommunications services. As part of this ongoing effort, a searchable on-line database of community broadband demand aggregation and deployment efforts was established.

Federal Communications Commission

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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