

and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, affected landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EA is published. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission.

To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the instructions in the public participation section below.

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have already identified several issues that we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by Tennessee, National and Dominion. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

- Impacts to Rose Lake Run from (1) the clearing of 5.16 acres of vegetation and from disturbance of a hazardous waste remediation site adjacent to Tennessee's proposed Ellisburg Compressor Station, and (2) construction activities at National's Ellisburg Compressor Station within which Rose Lake Run crosses.
- Noise increases for noise sensitive areas near Tennessee's proposed Ellisburg Compressor Station.

Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentator, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

Send an original and two copies of your letter to: Linwood A. Watson, Jr., Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas 2.
- Reference Docket Nos. CP02-44-000, CP02-46-000, and CP02-53-000.
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before February 15, 2002.

Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link and link to the User's Guide. Before you can file comments you will need to create an account which can be created by clicking on "Login to File" and then "New User Account."

Due to current events, we cannot guarantee that we will receive mail on a timely basis from the U.S. Postal Service, and we do not know how long this situation will continue. However, we continue to receive filings from private mail delivery services, including messenger services in a reliable manner. The Commission encourages electronic filing of any comments or interventions or protests to this proceeding. We will include all comments that we receive within a reasonable time frame in our environmental analysis of this project.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding known as an "intervenor". Intervenor play a more formal role in the process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide 14 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to rule 214 of the Commission's rules of practice and procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see appendix 2).⁵ Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088 or on the FERC web site (www.ferc.fed.us) using the "RIMS" link to information in this docket number. Click on the "RIMS" link,

⁵ Interventions may also be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion on filing comments electronically.

select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS help line can be reached at (202) 208-2222.

Similarly, the "CIPS" link on the FERC Internet website provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet web site, click on the "CIPS" link, select "Docket #" from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS help line can be reached at (202) 208-2474.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Sunshine Act; Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: January 11, 2002, 67 FR 1460.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED TIME AND DATE OF MEETING: January 16, 2002 (30 Minutes Following Regular Commission Meeting).

CHANGE IN THE MEETING: The Closed Meeting scheduled for January 16, 2002, has been cancelled.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: 01/11/2002, 67 FR 1460.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED TIME AND DATE OF MEETING: January 16, 2002, 10:00 a.m.

CHANGE IN THE MEETING: The following Docket Nos. and Companies have been added as Item M-1, to the Commission Agenda of January 16, 2002:

Item No.	Docket No. and Company
M-1	RM02-4-000, Rule Regarding Critical Energy Infrastructure Information. PL02-1-000, Policy Statement on the Treatment of Previously Public Documents.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7131-2]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Continuing Collection; Comment Request; RCRA Expanded Public Participation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that EPA is planning to submit the following continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): RCRA Expanded Public Participation, EPA ICR Number 1688.04, OMB Control Number 2050-0149 (expiration date May 31, 2002). Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 25, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Commenters must send an original and two copies of their comments referencing Docket Number F-2001-R3IP-FFFFF to RCRA Docket Information Center, Office of Solid Waste (5305G) United States Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20460. Hand deliveries of comments should be made to the Arlington, VA address listed below. Comments may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail through the Internet to: rcra-docket@epamail.gov. Comments in electronic format should also be identified by the Docket Number F-2001-R3IP-FFFFF. All electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. The official record for this action will be kept in paper form. Accordingly, EPA

will transfer all comments received electronically into paper form and place them in the official record, which will also include all comments submitted directly in writing. The official record is the paper record maintained in the RCRA Information Center (the RIC address is listed above in this section). Commenters should not submit any confidential business information (CBI) electronically. An original and two copies of CBI must be submitted under separate cover to: RCRA CBI Document Control Officer, Office of Solid Waste (5303W), United States Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Mailcode 5305W, Washington, DC, 20460. Public comments and supporting materials are available for viewing in the RCRA Information Center (RIC), located at Crystal Gateway, First Floor, 1235 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. The RIC is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays. To review docket materials, it is recommended that the public make an appointment by calling (703) 603-9230. The public may copy a maximum of 100 pages from any regulatory docket at no charge. Additional copies are \$0.15/page. This notice and the supporting documents that detail the ICR renewal are also available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information, contact the RCRA Hotline at 800-424-9346 or TDD 800-553-7672 (hearing impaired). In the Washington, DC metropolitan area, call (703) 412-9810 or TDD (703) 412-3323. For more detailed information on specific aspects of this rulemaking, contact Toshia King, Office of Solid Waste (5303W), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20460, (703) 308-7033, King.Toshia@epamail.epa.gov.

The docket index and some supporting documents in the docket for this ICR are available in electronic format on the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/permit/pub-icr.htm>.

We will keep the official record for this action in paper form. The official record is the paper record maintained at the RCRA Information Center, also referred to as the Docket, at the address provided in the **ADDRESSES** section at the beginning of this document.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are owners and operators of facilities that treat, store, or dispose of hazardous waste to comply with standards, under Section 3004 of

RCRA, that are necessary to protect human health and the environment.

Title: RCRA Expanded Public Participation, EPA ICR Number 1688.04. OMB control Number 2050-0149, expiration date: 05/31/2002.

Abstract: Congress gave EPA broad authority to provide for public participation in the RCRA permitting process. EPA promulgated requirements for providing additional opportunities for the public to be involved in the RCRA permitting process at 40 CFR part 124, 124.31 through 124.33 and 40 CFR part 270, 270.62 and 270.66. The part 124 requirements apply to all types of hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facilities, unless exempted under a specific section; the part 270 requirements apply only to hazardous waste combustors planning trial burns.

The public participation regulations at parts 124 and 270 were promulgated by EPA under the authority of subtitle C in RCRA to provide earlier and better public participation in the hazardous waste facility permitting process. In summary the regulations require a permit applicant to provide notice of and hold an informal meeting with the public before submitting a part B application, and to submit a summary of the meeting to the agency (§ 124.31). This meeting is the earliest formal step in the RCRA permitting process. The agency is required to issue a public notice when it receives an application (§ 124.32). The notice informs the recipient that the facility has submitted a permit application for agency review. Certain facilities (as decided by the agency director on a case-by-case basis) are required to set up and maintain an information repository (§ 124.33). Lastly, the agency is required to issue a public notice of an upcoming trial burn at a permitted hazardous waste combustion facility (§§ 270.62(b)(6) and 270.66(d)(3)), or at a hazardous waste combustion facility operating under interim status (§§ 270.62(d) and 270.66(g)).

This information collection targets the reporting frequency and requirements of the permit and assures public involvement regulations are met by owners or operators. The reporting frequency is essential to assure that any changes in the trial burn plans or in the anticipated permit application contents are made known to EPA and to the public. The requirements in this rule are also consistent with EPA's current policies on public participation. In December of 2000, EPA requested public comment on its Draft 2000 Public Involvement Policy (65 FR 82335; December 28, 2000). The draft policy updates an earlier policy issued in 1981.