Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Sheila Carey at her e-mail address *Sheila.Carey@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 ENERGY

[Number DE-PS07-03ID14525]

Nuclear Energy Plant Optimization (NEPO) Program for Minority Institutions Under the 2003 University Partnership Program

AGENCY: Idaho Operations Office, DOE. **ACTION:** Notice of availability of solicitation for awards of financial assistance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office (ID) is seeking applications from minority institutions who are part of the 2003 University Partnership Program under the Nuclear Energy Plant Optimization (NEPO) Program to strengthen the nuclear educational infrastructure, and support research and development of nuclear power technologies. The following schools are currently designated "minority institutions" who are recognized as part of the University Partnership Program for FY 2003: Tuskegee University, South Carolina State University, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Prairie View A&M University, New Mexico State University, and University of New Mexico.

DATES: The issuance date of Solicitation Number DE-PS07–03ID14525 was June 27, 2003. The deadline for receipt of applications is July 30, 2003, at 3 p.m. MT.

ADDRESSES: The solicitation will be available in its full text on the Internet by going to the DOE's Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) at the following URL address: http://e*center.doe.gov.* This will provide the medium for disseminating solicitations and amendments to solicitations, receiving financial assistance applications and evaluating applications in a paperless environment. Completed applications are required to be submitted via IIPS. An IIPS "User Guide for Contractors" can be obtained on the IIPS Homepage and then click on the "Help" button. Questions regarding the

operation of IIPS may be e-mailed to the IIPS Help Desk at *IIPS HelpDesk@e-center.doe.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Trudy Harmel, Contracting Officer at harmelta@id.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The solicitation will be issued in accordance with 10 CFR 600.6(b). Eligibility for awards under this program will be restricted to those minority universities who are part of the 2003 University Partnership Program.

DOE anticipates making 1 or more grant award(s), with total estimated DOE funding of approximately \$100K, and a project period of 12–18 months. Only minority institutions currently in the 2003 University Partnership Program are eligible to submit project proposals. The statutory authority for the program is the Atomic Energy Act, 42 U.S.C. 2051 Section 31. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number for this program is 81.114.

Issued in Idaho Falls on June 26, 2003.

Michael L. Adams,

Acting Director, Procurement Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-274-008]

Kern River Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Revised 2002 Annual Threshold Report

June 30, 2003).

Take notice that on June 25, 2003, Kern River Gas Transmission Company (Kern River) tendered for filing its Revised 2002 Annual Threshold Report.

Kern River states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the provisions of its general rate settlement in Docket No. RP99–274 and the Commission's December 26, 2002 order in Docket No. RP99–274–007.

Kern River states that it is revising its 2002 Annual Threshold Report to share fifty percent of \$1.33 million in additional revenues received by Kern River due to the settlement of an adversarial claim in a bankruptcy proceeding.

Kern River states that it has served a copy of this filing upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with § 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before the protest date as shown below. 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. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http:// www.ferc.gov using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or tollfree at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Protest Date: July 7, 2003.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RP00-474-003, RP01-17-006 and RP03-174-001]

Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C.; Notice of Compliance Filing

June 30, 2003.

Take notice that on June 24, 2003, Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (Maritimes) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the revised tariff sheets listed on Appendices A and B of the filing.

Maritimes states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's June 9, 2003 "Order on Rehearing and Compliance Filings" issued in Maritimes" Order No. 637 proceeding in the captioned dockets.

Maritimes states that copies of its filing have been mailed to all affected customers and interested state commissions, as well as to all parties on the Official Service Lists compiled by the Secretary of the Commission in these proceedings.