

To ensure timeliness of comments for the official record, the Panel encourages that individuals and interested groups consider submitting written statements instead of addressing the Panel.

Dated: March 7, 2012.

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Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Education (the Department), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the reporting burden on the public and helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13). **DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 14, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or mailed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that Federal agencies provide interested parties an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information

collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. 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: March 7, 2012.

Stephanie Valentine,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.

Office of Communications and Outreach

Type of Review: Extension.

Title of Collection: Application for the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program.

OMB Control Number: 1860-0504.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 2,600.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 41,600.

Abstract: The United States Presidential Scholars Program is a national recognition program to honor outstanding graduating high school seniors. Candidates are invited to apply based on academic achievements on the SAT or ACT assessments, or on artistic merits based on participation in a national talent search. This program was established by Presidential Executive Orders 11155 and 12158.

Copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 04813. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection and OMB Control Number when making your request.

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

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14368-000]

Catamount Metropolitan District; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission, Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Ready for Environmental Analysis, and Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests, Comments, Final Terms and Conditions, Recommendations, and Prescriptions

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Filing:* Exemption from Licensing.

b. *Project No.:* P-14368-000.

c. *Dated Filed:* March 1, 2012.

d. *Submitted By:* Catamount Metropolitan District (The District).

e. *Name of Project:* Catamount Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Project description:* The District is proposing to replace an aging stoplog gate at the Lake Catamount dam with a concrete wall containing a 6-ft by 6-ft sluice gate that can be used for the rapid release of water and installing a 695-kilowatt hydroelectric generator. Proposed facilities include a new multi-level intake constructed within the existing stoplog channel, a penstock, a powerhouse, and a 1.2-mile-long buried transmission line from the powerhouse to the existing electric power line. The applicant estimates the project will produce approximately 2,911 megawatt-hours of renewable energy annually.

g. *Location:* The proposed project would be located on the Yampa River, approximately five miles south of the town of Steamboat Springs in Routt County, Colorado. The proposed project would not occupy any federal lands.

h. *Filed Pursuant to:* Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 U.S.C. 2705, 2708.

i. *Applicant Contact:* Gates Gooding, Catamount Metropolitan District, 1340 Blue Sage Drive, P.O. Box 772378, Steamboat Springs, CO 80477.

j. *FERC Contact:* Shana Murray at (202) 502-8333; or email at shana.murray@ferc.gov.

k. A copy of the license application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be