

Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13).

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 16, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, be faxed to (202) 395–5806 or e-mailed to

oir_submission@omb.eop.gov with a cc: to ICDocketMgr@ed.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. The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: July 12, 2010.

Darrin A. King,

Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.

Office of Communications and Outreach

Type of Review: Revision.

Title of Collection: The State Education Agency Directory (SEAD).

OMB #: 1860–0508—(formerly 1800–0012).

Agency Form Number(s): N/A.

Frequency of Responses: On Occasion.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government, State Educational

Agencies (SEAs) or Local Educational Agencies (LEAs).

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 1,800.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 373.

Abstract: The State Education Agency Directory (SEAD), formerly known as the Education Resource Organizations Directory (EROD), is an electronic directory of educational resource organizations and services available at the state, regional, and national level. The goal of this directory is to help individuals and organizations identify and contact organizational sources of information and assistance on a broad range of education-related topics. Users of the directory include diverse groups such as teachers, librarians, students, researchers, and parents.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from the RegInfo.gov Web site at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> or from the Department's Web site at <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4261. 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 the Internet address ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202–401–0920. Please specify the complete title and OMB Control Number of the information collection 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

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and request for OMB review and comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted the following information collection request (ICR), utilizing emergency review procedures, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. DOE invites public comment on the subject

proposal: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper development of the study, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (c) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through additional use of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection must be received on or before August 16, 2010. 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, please advise the DOE Desk Officer at OMB of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at 202–395–4650.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to:

DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

And to

Peter Whitman, Office of Policy and International Affairs, PI–42, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington DC 20585, 202–586–1010, fax 202–586–5391, peter.whitman@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peter Whitman, 202–586–1010, peter.whitman@hq.doe.gov. The collection instrument may be found at <http://www.pi.energy.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No. New; (2) *Information Collection Request Title:* RFS2 Small Refinery Survey 2010; (3) *Type of Request:* New collection; (4) *Purpose:* The Department of Energy is preparing a study to determine if small refiners would suffer "disproportionate economic hardship" through compliance with the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS). This optional survey allows respondents to submit data that will provide technical support for a determination of disproportionate economic hardship. Upon such a determination from DOE, EPA may extend the exemption from compliance with the RFS program for at least two years. (5) *Number of Respondents:* 50, this is a one-time collection; (6) *Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 50; (7) *Estimated Number of Burden*

Hours: 15; (8) Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: None.

Statutory Authority: Section 211(o)(9)(A)(ii) of the Clean Air Act, as amended by the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPACT 2005), requires that DOE conduct a study for the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) assessing whether the renewable fuel standard (RFS) would impose a “disproportionate economic hardship” on small refineries. This survey will provide technical information to support the study.

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Carmen Difiglio,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Analysis, Office of Policy and International Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability; Notice of Reestablishment of the Electricity Advisory Committee

Pursuant to Section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C., App., and in accordance with Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 102-3.65, and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Electricity Advisory Committee has been reestablished for a two-year period.

The Committee will provide advice to the Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (DOE), on its programs to modernize the nation's electric power system. The Secretary of Energy has determined that reestablishment of the Electricity Advisory Committee is essential to the conduct of the Department's business and is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Department of Energy by law. The Committee will continue to operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), the General Services Administration Final Rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, and other directives and instructions issues in implementation of those Acts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Rachel Samuel at (202) 586-3279.

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Carol A. Matthews,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Solicitation of Nominations for Appointment as a Member of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of solicitation of members.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, the U.S. Department of Energy is soliciting nominations for candidates to fill vacancies on the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee.

DATES: Deadline for Technical Advisory Committee member nominations is July 30, 2010.

ADDRESSES: The nominee's name, resume, biography, and any letters of support must be submitted via one of the following methods:

1. E-mail to laura.mccann@ee.doe.gov or christina.fagerholm@ee.doe.gov.

2. Facsimile to 202-586-1640, Attn: Laura McCann.

3. Overnight delivery service to the Designated Federal Official for the Committee, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, Mail Stop EE-2E, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laura McCann, Designated Federal Official for the Committee, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586-7766; e-mail: laura.mccann@ee.doe.gov or Christina Fagerholm at (202) 586-2933; e-mail: christina.fagerholm@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000 (Biomass Act) [Pub. L. 106-224] requires cooperation and coordination in biomass research and development (R&D) between the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). The Biomass Act was repealed in June 2008 by section 9001 of the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008 (FCEA) [Pub. L. 110-246, 122 Stat. 1651, enacted June 18, 2008, H.R. 6124].

FCEA section 9008(d) establishes the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee (Committee) and lays forth its meetings, coordination, duties, terms and membership types. The Committee must meet quarterly and should not duplicate the efforts of other Federal advisory committees. The Committee advises the

DOE and USDA points of contact with respect to the Biomass R&D Initiative (Initiative) and also makes written recommendations to the Biomass R&D Board (Board). Those recommendations regard whether: (A) Initiative funds are distributed and used consistent with Initiative objectives; (B) solicitations are open and competitive with awards made annually; (C) objectives and evaluation criteria of the solicitations are clear; and (D) the points of contact are funding proposals selected on the basis of merit, as determined by an independent panel of qualified peers.

The Committee members may serve up to two, three year terms and must include: (A) An individual affiliated with the biofuels industry; (B) an individual affiliated with the biobased industrial and commercial products industry; (C) an individual affiliated with an institution of higher education who has expertise in biofuels and biobased products; (D) 2 prominent engineers or scientists from government or academia who have expertise in biofuels and biobased products; (E) an individual affiliated with a commodity trade association; (F) 2 individuals affiliated with environmental or conservation organizations; (G) an individual associated with State government who has expertise in biofuels and biobased products; (H) an individual with expertise in energy and environmental analysis; (I) an individual with expertise in the economics of biofuels and biobased products; (J) an individual with expertise in agricultural economics; (K) an individual with expertise in plant biology and biomass feedstock development; (L) an individual with expertise in agronomy, crop science, or soil science; and (M) at the option of the points of contact, other members (REF: FCEA 2008 section 9008(d)(2)(A)). All nominees will be carefully reviewed for their expertise, leadership, and relevance to an expertise. Appointments will be made for three-year terms as dictated by the legislation.

Nominations this year are being accepted only for the following categories in order to address the Committee's needs: (C) An individual affiliated with an institution of higher education who has expertise in biofuels and biobased products; (D) 2 prominent engineers or scientists from government or academia who have expertise in biofuels and biobased products; (H) an individual with expertise in energy and environmental analysis; and (M) at the option of the points of contact, other members.

Nominations are solicited from organizations, associations, societies,