

concern that the commenter believes should be considered.

The EIS will evaluate potential environmental effects associated with action alternatives and the No Action Alternative. Potential issues include, but are not limited to: Land use, recreation, energy development, air quality, airspace/air traffic, biological resources, cultural resources, mining/minerals, socioeconomics and noise.

A mailing list has been assembled to facilitate preparation of the EIS. Those on this list will receive notices and documents related to EIS preparation. This list includes local, state, and federal agencies with jurisdiction or other interests in the alternatives. In addition, the mailing list includes adjacent property owners, affected municipalities, and other interested parties such as conservation and off-highway vehicle organizations. Anyone wishing to be added to the mailing list may request to be added by contacting the EIS project manager at the address provided above.

Dated: October 24, 2008.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 29, 2008.

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. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information

Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

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: October 24, 2008.

Angela C. Arrington,

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Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Type of Review: New.

Title: Reading First Expenditure Study.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 4,420.

Burden Hours: 13,260.

Abstract: The U.S. Department of Education Reading First program has no formal mechanism for grantees to report on specific uses of grant funds. The proposed surveys will collect data on the use and allocation of Reading First grants from current State educational agencies (SEA) grantees and their local educational agencies (LEA) subgrantees. Collecting such information will help satisfy the informational needs of key stakeholders, and inform future grant-making efforts.

Requests for 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 3844. 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 when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@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 EDUCATION

National Assessment Governing Board; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting and partially closed meetings.

SUMMARY: The notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the National Assessment Governing Board. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify members of the general public of their opportunity to attend. Individuals who will need special accommodations in order to attend the meeting (i.e., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, materials in alternative format) should notify Munira Mwalimu at 202-357-6938 or at Munira.Mwalimu@ed.gov no later than November 10, 2008. We will attempt to meet requests after this date, but cannot guarantee availability of the requested accommodation. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

DATES: November 20-22, 2008.

Times

November 20

Committee Meetings:

Ad Hoc Committee on NAEP Testing and Reporting on Students with Disabilities and English Language Learners: Open Session—2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Executive Committee: Open Session—4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Closed

Session—5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

November 21

Full Board: Open Session—8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.; Closed Session—12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Open Session—1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Committee Meetings:

Assessment Development Committee: Open Session—9:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.; Closed Session—11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology: Open Session—9:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; Closed Session 11:30 a.m.—12:15 p.m.

Reporting and Dissemination

Committee: Open Session—9:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

November 22

Nominations Committee: Closed Session—7:45 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.

Full Board: Open Session—9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Location: The Westin Arlington Gateway, 801 North Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Munira Mwalimu, Operations Officer, National Assessment Governing Board, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Suite 825, Washington, DC 20002-4233, *Telephone:* (202) 357-6938.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Assessment Governing Board is established under section 412 of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994, as amended.

The Board is established to formulate policy guidelines for the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). The Board's responsibilities include selecting subject areas to be assessed, developing assessment specifications and frameworks, developing appropriate student achievement levels for each grade and subject tested, developing standards and procedures for interstate and national comparisons, developing guidelines for reporting and disseminating results, and releasing initial NAEP results to the public.

On November 20, the Ad Hoc Committee on NAEP Testing and Reporting on Students with Disabilities and English Language Learners will meet in open session from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thereafter, the Executive Committee will meet in open session from 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and in closed session from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

During the closed session the Executive Committee will receive a briefing from the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) on options for NAEP contracts covering the 2008–

2012 assessment years, based on funding for Fiscal Year 2009–2010. The discussion of contract options and costs will address the implications for congressionally mandated goals and adherence to Board policies on NAEP assessments. This part of the meeting must be conducted in closed session because public discussion of this information would disclose independent government cost estimates and contracting options, adversely impacting the confidentiality of the contracting process. Public disclosure of information discussed would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP contracts, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The second portion of the closed session of the Executive Committee is for discussion of personnel matters. These discussions pertain solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and will disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

On November 21, the full Board will meet in open session from 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. The Board will approve the agenda and the August 2008 Board minutes. The Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings will address the Governing Board and administer the oath of office to new and reappointed members. Thereafter, the Governing Board will receive a report from the Interim Executive Director of the Governing Board, and hear an update on the work of the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES).

On November 21, the Board's standing committees—the Assessment Development Committee, the Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology, and the Reporting and Dissemination Committee will meet from 9:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

The Assessment Development Committee will meet in open session on November 21, 2008 from 9:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. From 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. the Assessment Development Committee will meet in closed session to review secure accessible booklet items at grades 4 and 8 for the NAEP 2009 reading and mathematics assessments. The meeting must be conducted in closed session as disclosure of test items would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP program, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

On Friday, November 22, the Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology will meet in open session from 9:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and in closed session from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. During the closed session, the Committee will review results from the final trend analysis for the 2008 NAEP reading field trial data at grades 4 and 8. The results are sensitive and confidential and will be utilized to make a decision on development of work statements for the 2009 achievement level setting contracts in reading and mathematics. The meeting must therefore be conducted in closed session in order to allow the Committee to receive and discuss confidential acquisition planning and not provide an undue advantage to potential bidders which would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP program, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The Reporting and Dissemination Committee will meet in open session on November 21 from 9:45 a.m.—12:15 p.m.

On November 21 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. the full Board will meet in closed session to receive a briefing on the NAEP Achievement Gaps Report from the Associate Commissioner of NCES. The Governing Board will be provided with embargoed data on the report that cannot be discussed in an open meeting prior to their official release. The meeting must therefore be conducted in closed session as premature disclosure of data would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP program, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

From 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., the Board will receive the final report from the Chair of the Board's 12th Grade Technical Panel on Preparedness Research. From 2:45 p.m. to 4 p.m., the Board will hear a presentation on Common Core Standards and International Benchmarking. This session will be followed by an ethics briefing for members of the Governing Board. The November 21 session of the Board meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 4:30 p.m.

On November 22, the Nominations Committee will meet in closed session from 7:45 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. to review candidate applications for vacant Board positions for terms beginning in October 2009. These discussions pertain solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and will disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are

protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The full Board will meet in open session on November 22 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. to hear a presentation on "Inside NAEP: Plausible Values Methodology." From 10:15 a.m. to 12 p.m., the Board will receive and take action on Committee reports. The November 22, 2008 session of the Board meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 12 p.m.

Detailed minutes of the meeting, including summaries of the activities of the closed sessions and related matters that are informative to the public and consistent with the policy of section 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) will be available to the public within 14 days of the meeting. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite #825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

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Dated: October 27, 2008.

Mary Crovo,

Interim Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board, U.S. Department of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP09-13-000]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC; Notice of Application

October 24, 2008.

Take notice that on October 21, 2008, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of

America LLC (Natural), 3250 Lacey Road, 7th Floor, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515-7918, filed an application in Docket No. CP09-13-000, pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act, requesting permission and approval to abandon, by sale to CPI Pipe and Steel, Inc. (CPI), the following facilities: (1) The majority of Natural's Hooker Lateral located in Texas and Beaver Counties, Oklahoma; (2) Booster Station No. 63 located in Texas County, Oklahoma; (3) the Baker Lateral located in Texas County, Oklahoma; (4) the Beaver Lateral located in Texas County, Oklahoma; (5) the ANR tap located in Beaver County, Oklahoma; and (6) the Regier Lateral located in Beaver County, Oklahoma.

Natural states that there has been no flow of gas on the Hooker Lateral for the last four years and thus the Hooker Lateral and the other appurtenant facilities to be sold no longer serve any purpose. Natural further states that the sale of the subject facilities will save Natural operation and maintenance expenses. Moreover, Natural states that the abandonment and transfer of the facilities as proposed will allow Natural to serve the needs of its transportation shippers more effectively by eliminating inefficiencies associated with the operation and maintenance of facilities which are no longer required, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Bruce H. Newsome, Vice President, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC, 3250 Lacey Road, 7th Floor, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515-7918, telephone: (630) 725-3070, e-mail: bruce_newsome@kindermorgan.com.

Pursuant to Section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final

environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commentors will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commentors will not be