intention to prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) on the policy alternatives for disposition of metals from its sites. Although the suspension was considered to be a temporary measure, it has been in force since 2000, and the PEIS was not completed. From 2008 through 2010, the Department, through an effort lead by the NNSA and supported by the Offices of Health, Safety and Security; Science; and Environmental Management, reviewed numerous DOE programs across the complex that involved improved monitoring and proposed release practices to determine how these practices could be implemented. In April 2010, NNSA hosted an inter-site workshop that developed a DOE wide consensus regarding how sites would implement these practices. In February 2011, in part to implement the improved monitoring and release practices recommended in 2001, DOE replaced DOE Order 5400.5 with DOE Order 458.1, Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment, which incorporated an improved scrap metals clearance process. Consequently, DOE has determined that a Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) is appropriate to consider the alternatives for the disposition of uncontaminated scrap metal originating from these areas.

Purpose and Need for Agency Action: The purpose and need for agency action is to allow DOE to better manage materials no longer needed by the Department and to allow for the recycle, where appropriate, of materials originating from DOE radiological areas. These scrap metals have, and continue to be, accumulated at DOE sites since the 2000 Department-wide suspension on any unrestricted release for recycle of scrap metals originating from radiological areas at DOE facilities (DOE 2000). The proposed action is consistent with the principles of sustainable materials management as presented in Executive Order (E.O.) 13423, Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy, and Transportation Management (January 27, 2007) and E.O. 13514, Federal Leadership in Environmental Energy, and Economic Performance (October 5, 2009).

Alternatives Analyzed: This PEA analyzes the potential human health and environmental impacts associated with the proposed action, a disposal alternative, and a no-action (continued storage) alternative.

Potential Outcome: The proposed action would allow DOE to modify its policy to allow the delegation of authority from the Secretary to the Under Secretaries to manage the

radiological clearance process for uncontaminated scrap metals originating in DOE radiological areas for sites demonstrated to have robust monitoring and release practices in place. Scrap metal that meets these robust practices for unrestricted release would be candidates for recycle. Scrap metal that does not meet these requirements would be identified as contaminated and maintained by DOE or disposed of as waste in an appropriate manner. This PEA also evaluates potential human health and environmental impacts associated with a disposal alternative, and a no-action (continued storage) alternative.

Metal with volumetric radiological contamination, and scrap metal resulting from RCRA and CERCLA clean-up activities, are not included in the scope of the PEA. Impacts associated with scrap metal releases from any such clean-up activities would be evaluated separately under NEPA as appropriate. In addition, sites under the Office of Legacy Management are not included since these facilities do not generate potentially radiologically contaminated scrap metal that would be recycled.

Following the end of the public comment period, DOE will consider all comments received while completing the PEA, and as appropriate, issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) or prepare a PEIS prior to deciding whether to implement a revision to the policy for clearance and release of scrap metal from radiological areas.

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Thomas P. D'Agostino,

Under Secretary for Nuclear Security and Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP98–25–000.
Applicants: West Texas Gas, Inc.
Description: Monthly Spot Index Price
of WEST TEXAS GAS INC.
Filed Date: 12/4/12.

Accession Number: 20121204–5137. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12. Docket Numbers: RP13–369–000. Applicants: Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company.

Description: Tariff Revisions— General Terms and Conditions to be effective 1/4/2013.

Filed Date: 12/4/12.

Accession Number: 20121204–5074. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12.

Docket Numbers: RP13–370–000. Applicants: Iroquois Gas

Transmission System, L.P.

Description: Iroquois Gas

Transmission System, L.P. submits tariff filing per 154.204: 12/04/12 HUB Negotiated Rate Blanket Filing—ConocoPhillips to be effective 12/4/2012.

Filed Date: 12/4/12.

Accession Number: 20121204–5099. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12.

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Filings in Existing Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP12–1075–001. Applicants: Arlington Storage Company, LLC.

Description: Arlington Storage Company, LLC—Compliance with Order Accepting 587–V Filing to be effective 12/1/2012.

Filed Date: 12/4/12.

Accession Number: 20121204–5075. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12.

Docket Numbers: RP12–1080–002. Applicants: Steuben Gas Storage Company.

Description: Steuben Gas Storage Company submits tariff filing per 154.203: Steuben Gas Storage Co.— Compliance with Order Accepting Order No. 587–V Filing to be effective 12/1/2012.

Filed Date: 12/4/12.

Accession Number: 20121204-5100. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12.

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Dated: December 5, 2012.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

Filings Instituting Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP13-371-000. Applicants: Gulf Crossing Pipeline Company LLC.

Description: Amendment to Neg Rate Agmt (Enterprise 12–10) filing to be effective 12/6/2012.

Filed Date: 12/5/12.

Accession Number: 20121205-5111. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12. Docket Numbers: RP13-372-000.

Applicants: Gulf Crossing Pipeline Company LLC.

Description: Amendment to Neg Rate Agmt (JP Morgan 156–4) filing to be effective 12/5/2012.

Filed Date: 12/5/12.

Accession Number: 20121205-5112. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12.

Docket Numbers: RP13-373-000. Applicants: Cimarron River Pipeline, LLC.

Description: NAESB Version 2.0 Extension of Time filing to be effective 12/1/2012.

Filed Date: 12/6/12.

Accession Number: 20121206-5000. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/18/12.

Docket Numbers: RP13-374-000.

Applicants: Dauphin Island Gathering Partners.

Description: NAESB Version 2.0 Extension of Time to be effective 12/1/

Filed Date: 12/6/12.

Accession Number: 20121206-5001. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/18/12.

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intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

Filings in Existing Proceedings

Docket Numbers: RP11-1631-001.

Applicants: Energy West Development, Inc.

Description: 12052012 Compliance Filing to be effective 12/1/2012.

Filed Date: 12/5/12.

Accession Number: 20121205-5141. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12.

Docket Numbers: RP13-86-001.

Applicants: Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.

Description: NAESB 2.0 Compliance Filing to be effective 12/1/2012.

Filed Date: 12/5/12.

Accession Number: 20121205-5063. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12.

Docket Numbers: RP13-93-001.

Applicants: Freebird Gas Storage,

Description: Freebird Compliance Re-Filing, Docket No. RP13-93-000 to be effective 12/1/2012.

Filed Date: 12/5/12.

Accession Number: 20121205-5168. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12.

Docket Numbers: RP13-99-002.

Applicants: Empire Pipeline, Inc. Description: Empire NAESB v2 CF 2 to be effective 12/1/2012.

Filed Date: 12/5/12.

Accession Number: 20121205-5156. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 12/17/12.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Agency Information Collection Activities OMB Responses

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document announces the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) responses to Agency Clearance requests, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et. seq.). An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR chapter 15.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rick Westlund (202) 566-1682, or email at westlund.rick@epa.gov and please refer to the appropriate EPA Information Collection Request (ICR) Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Responses to Agency Clearance Requests

OMB Approvals

EPA ICR Number 1613.04; Data Reporting Requirements for State and Local Vehicle Emission Inspection and Maintenance (I/M) Programs (Renewal); 40 CFR part 51 subpart S; was approved on 11/02/2012; OMB Number 2060-0252; expires on 11/30/2015; Approved without change.

EPA ICR Number 1292.09; Enforcement Policy Regarding the Sale and Use of Aftermarket Catalytic Converters (Renewal); was approved on 11/05/2012; OMB Number 2060-0135; expires on 11/30/2015; Approved without change.

EPA ICR Number 0575.13; Health and Safety Data Reporting; Submission of Lists and Copies of Health and Safety Studies; 40 CFR part 716; was approved on 11/21/2012; OMB Number 2070-0004; expires on 11/30/2015; Approved with change.

Short Term Extension of Expiration Date

EPA ICR Number 2288.05; Pesticides Data Call In Program; a short term extension of the expiration date was granted by OMB on 11/21/2012; OMB