of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222–226).

The purpose of the project is to conduct research and monitoring of shortnose sturgeon in the Delaware River/Estuary and the Chesapeake Bay. Researchers would characterize habitat use, relative abundance, juvenile recruitment, and temporal and spatial distributions of this species through the following research methodologies: capture via trawls and gillnets, measure, genetic sampling, PIT and floy T-bar tagging, and release of 970 juvenile and 2470 adult shortnose sturgeon throughout the Delaware River/Estuary and 30 juvenile and 100 adult shortnose sturgeon in the Chesapeake Bay, annually. In addition, a subset of 30 juveniles and 30 adults annually in the Delaware River/Estuary would also have internal ultrasonic transmitters implanted. An accidental mortality request of 25 juvenile and 25 adult fish is requested over the life of the permit. The researchers are requesting authorization for these activities for five years.

Dated: May 24, 2004.

Stephen L. Leathery,

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, 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 July 26, 2004.

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 Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, 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: May 24, 2004.

Angela C. Arrington,

Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of the Undersecretary

Type of Review: New.

Title: Reading First Implementation Evaluation.

Frequency: Biennially.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 8,250.

Burden Hours: 4,125.

Abstract: The proposed data collection is necessary to complete a national evaluation of Reading First. The purpose of this evaluation is to assess how the Reading First program is being implemented in a nationally representative sample of Reading First schools. The Reading Implementation Evaluation will use surveys of teachers, literacy coaches, and principals to answer the evaluation questions.

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 2546. When you access the information collection, click on ''Download Attachments'' to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202–4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address *OCIO_RIMG@ed.gov* or faxed to 202–245–6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

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

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, intends to extend for three years, an information collection package with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The Department's Office of Environment, Safety and Health information collection package, 1910–5105, allows the Department and its contractors to provide management control and oversight over health and safety programs concerning worker exposure to ionizing radiation. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the extended collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) 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; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before July 26, 2004. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact one of the persons listed in the **ADDRESSES** section as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to:

Dr. Judith D. Foulke, Office of Worker Protection Policy and Programs (EH–52), Building 270/CC, Office of Environment, Safety and Health, U.S.

Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585–1290; or by fax at (301) 903–7773 or by e-mail at *Judy.Foulke@eh.doe.gov.*

Susan L. Frey, Director, Records Management Division, (IM–11), Germantown Bldg., Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585–1290, or by fax at (301) 903–9061 or by e-mail at *sharon.evelin@hq.doe.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to the two individuals specified in the **ADDRESSES** section.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This package contains: (1) Current OMB Number: OMB No. 1910–5105; (2) Package Title: Occupational Radiation Protection; (3) Type of Review: Renewal; (4) Purpose: the recordkeeping and reporting requirements that comprise this information collection will permit DOE and its contractors to provide management control and oversight over health and safety programs concerning worker exposure to ionizing radiation; (5) Respondents: 35 DOE management and operating contractors and 15 other contractors; (6) Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 50,000 following each revision of 10 CFR 835 and 5000 for other years.

Statutory Authority: Section 3507(h)(1) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Publication No. 104–13) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Issued in Washington, DC on May 21, 2004.

Susan L. Frey,

Director, Records Management Division, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board Renewal

Pursuant to Section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92–463), in accordance with Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, section 102–3.65(a), and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board has been renewed for a two-year period beginning May 16, 2004. The Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board will provide advice and recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management.

The Board provides the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management (EM) with information, advice, and recommendations concerning issues affecting the EM program at various sites. These site-specific issues include clean-up standards and environmental restoration; waste management and disposition; stabilization and disposition of non-stockpile nuclear materials; excess facilities; future land use; long-term stewardship; risk assessment and management; and science and technology activities.

Furthermore, the renewal of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board has been determined to be essential to the conduct of Department of Energy business and to be in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of Energy by law and agreement. The Board will operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, and rules and regulations issued in implementation of those Acts.

Further information regarding this Advisory Board may be obtained from Ms. Sandra L. Waisley at (202) 586–3087.

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James N. Solit,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12056–001]

Trinity River Authority of Texas; Notice of Surrender of Preliminary Permit

May 20, 2004.

Take notice that Trinity River Authority of Texas, permittee for the proposed Lake Livingston Dam Project, has requested that its preliminary permit be terminated. The permit was issued on September 27, 2001, and would have expired on August 31, 2004.[1] The project would have been located on the Trinity River in San Jacinto, Polk, Walker, and Trinity Counties, Texas.

The permittee filed the request on April 21, 2004, and the preliminary permit for Project No. 12056 shall remain in effect through the 30th day after issuance of this notice unless that day is a Saturday, Sunday, part-day holiday that affects the Commission, or legal holiday as described in section 18 CFR 385.2007, in which case the effective date is the first business day following that day. New applications involving this project site, to the extent provided for under 18 CFR part 4, may be filed on the next business day.

Linda Mitry,

Acting Secretary.

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[1] 96 FERC ¶ 62,322.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EC04–110–000, et al.]

Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Filings

May 19, 2004.

The following filings have been made with the Commission. The filings are listed in ascending order within each docket classification.

1. Michigan Electric Transmission

[Docket Nos. EC04–110–000 and ER04–847–000]

Take notice that on May 17, 2004, Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC (METC) submitted an application under sections 203 and 205 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824b and 824d and parts 33 and 35 of the Commission's regulations, 18 CFR parts 33 and 35, for approval to transfer undivided ownership interests in certain of METC's extra high voltage transmission facilities to the Michigan South Central Power Agency (MSCPA) and Michigan Public Power Agency (MPPA) (jointly, the Michigan Agencies) and for approval or acceptance of (1a) a new MSCPA 2004 Transmission Ownership and Operating Agreement between METC and MSCPA; and (2) a new MPPA 2004 Transmission Ownership and Operating Agreement between METC and MPPA (collectively, 2004 O&O Agreements). METC seeks an effective date for the 2004 O&O Agreements of the closing date of the transfers described above.

Comment Date: June 8, 2004.