On October 23, 2015, pursuant to section 111(b) of the CAA, the EPA published the final rule titled “Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from New, Modified, and Reconstructed Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units.” (“section 111(b) greenhouse gas (GHG) new source performance standards (NSPS)”) 80 FR 64510. Following publication of the final rule, the Administrator received petitions for reconsideration of certain provisions of the final rule pursuant to CAA section 307(d)(7)(B).

CAA section 307(d)(7)(B) requires the EPA to convene a proceeding for reconsideration of a rule if a party raising an objection to the rule “can demonstrate to the Administrator that it was impracticable to raise such objection within the public comment period or if the grounds for such objection arose after the period for public comment (but within the time specified for judicial review) and if such objection is of central relevance to the outcome of the rule.” The requirement to convene a proceeding to reconsider a rule is, thus, based on the petitioner demonstrating to the EPA both: (1) That it was impracticable to raise the objection during the comment period, or that the grounds for such objection arose after the comment period but within the time specified for judicial review (i.e., within 60 days after publication of the final rulemaking notice in the Federal Register); see CAA section 307(b)(1)); and (2) That the objection is of central relevance to the outcome of the rule.

The EPA received six petitions for reconsideration of the CAA section 111(b) greenhouse gas (GHG) new source performance standard (NSPS) from the following entities: the Utility Air Regulatory Group (UARG); American Electric Power (AEP); Ameren Corp. (Ameren); the Energy and Environmental Legal Institute (EELI); State of Wisconsin; and the Biogenic CO₂ Coalition. The EPA is denying all but the last of these petitions as not satisfying one or both of the statutory conditions for compelled reconsideration. The EPA is deferring action on the petition of the Biogenic CO₂ Coalition pending our further ongoing consideration of the underlying issue of whether and how to account for biomass when co-firing with fossil fuels.

We discuss each of the five petitions we are denying and the basis for those denials in a separate, docketed memorandum titled “Basis for Denial of Petitions to Reconsider the CAA section 111(b) Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from New, Modified, and Reconstructed Fossil Fuel-Fired Electric Utility Generating Units.” For reasons set out in the memorandum, the petitions for review of UARG, AEP, Ameren, EELI, and the State of Wisconsin (with the exception of the issue regarding treatment of biomass) are denied.


Gina McCarthy,
Administrator.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

General Information

How can I get copies of this docket and other related information?

1. The EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OARM–2016–0214. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically through www.regulations.gov or in hard copy at the FY 2015 Service Contract Inventory Docket in the EPA Docket Center, (EPA/DC) EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566–1744, and the telephone number for the FY 2015 Service Contract Inventory Docket is (202) 566–1752.

2. Electronic Access. You may access this Federal Register document electronically through the EPA Internet under the “Federal Register” listings at http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Parts of this meeting of the Board will be open to the public (limited space available), and parts will be closed to the public. Please send an email to VisitorRequest@FCA.gov at least 24 hours before the meeting. In your email include: Name, postal address, entity you are representing (if applicable), and telephone number. You will receive an email confirmation from us. Please be prepared to show a photo identification when you arrive. If you need assistance for accessibility reasons, or if you have any questions, contact Dale L. Aultman, Secretary to the Farm Credit Administration Board, at (703) 883–4009. The matters to be considered at the meeting are:

Open Session
A. Approval of Minutes
• April 14, 2016
B. Reports
• Update on Farmland Values
• Economic Conditions in the Almond Industry

Closed Session*
• Office of Secondary Market Oversight Quarterly Report

Dated: April 12, 2016.

John R. Bashista,
Director, Office of Acquisition Management.
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FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Farm Credit Administration Board; Sunshine Act; Regular Meeting

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act, of the regular meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board (Board).

DATES: The regular meeting of the Board will be held at the offices of the Farm Credit Administration in McLean, Virginia, on May 12, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. until such time as the Board concludes its business.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dale L. Aultman, Secretary to the Farm Credit Administration Board, (703) 883–4009, TTY (703) 883–4056.

ADDRESSES: Farm Credit Administration, 1301 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102–5090. Submit attendance requests via email to VisitorRequest@FCA.gov. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for further information about attendance requests.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Information Collection Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission’s burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number.

DATES: Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before July 5, 2016. 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, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Nicole Ongele, FCC, via email PRA@fcc.gov and to Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the information collection, contact Nicole Ongele at (202) 418–2991.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060–0804.

Title: Universal Service—Rural Health Care Program.

Form Numbers: FCC Forms 460, 461, 462, 463, 465, 466, and 467.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; federal government; and state, local, or Tribal governments.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 18,534 respondents; 134,912 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 0.1–40 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, one-time, annual, quarterly, and monthly reporting requirements.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this collection of information is contained in sections 1, 4(i), 4(j), 201–205, 214, 254, and 403 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 151–154, 201–205, 212–220, 254, 303(f), 405 and 406.

Total Annual Burden: 287,817 hours.