

Act of 1993 (GPRA), the Department has established three performance measures for the Vocational Rehabilitation Services Projects for American Indians with Disabilities program. The measures are (1) the percentage of individuals who leave the program with an employment outcome, (2) the percentage of projects that demonstrate an average annual cost per employment outcome of no more than \$35,000, and (3) the percentage of projects that demonstrate an average annual cost per participant of no more than \$10,000. Each grantee must annually report its performance on these measures through the Annual Progress Reporting Form for the American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services (AIVRS) Program.

In addition, this program is part of the Administration's job training and employment common measures initiative. The common measures for job training and employment programs targeting adults are—entered employment (percentage employed in the first quarter after program exit); retention in employment (percentage of those employed in the first quarter after exit that were still employed in the second and third quarter after program exit); earnings increase (percentage change in earnings pre-registration to post-program and first quarter after exit to third quarter after exit); and efficiency measure (annual cost per employment outcome and per participant). The Department is currently working toward implementing these common measures. Each grantee will be required to collect and report data for the common measures when implemented.

## VII. Agency Contact

*For Further Information Contact:* August Martin, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 5088, Potomac Center Plaza (PCP), Washington, DC 20204-2800. Telephone: (202) 245-7410.

If you use a TDD, call the FRS, toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

## VIII. Other Information

*Alternative Format:* Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotope, or computer diskette) by contacting the Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 5075, PCP, Washington, DC 20202-2550. Telephone: (202) 245-7363. If you use a TDD, call the FRS, toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

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**Tracy R. Justesen,**

*Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; EAC's Voting System Test Laboratory Accreditation Program Manual

**AGENCY:** U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC).

**ACTION:** Notice; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The EAC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a proposed information collection, EAC's Voting System Test Laboratory Accreditation Program Manual. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 information collection, 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 information collection on respondents. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included

in the request for approval of this information collection by the Office of Management and budget; they also will become a matter of public record. This notice requests comments solely on the four criteria above. A separate notice will be published on the Federal Register to request substantive comments on the proposed information collection; please refer to the EAC's Web site, <http://www.eac.gov>, for further information regarding the submission of substantive comments.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before 5 p.m. EDT on April 4, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection must be submitted in writing through either: (1) Electronically to [pracomment@eac.gov](mailto:pracomment@eac.gov), or (2) U.S. postal mail to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005, *Attn:* Laiza N. Otero, Election Research Specialist. To ensure receipt and proper handling, comments submitted via U.S. postal mail shall clearly indicate that they are in response to this **Federal Register** notice by writing "Paperwork Reduction Act" in the heading section of the letter.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the EAC's Voting System Test Laboratory Accreditation Program Manual, please, write to the above address or contact Laiza N. Otero, Election Research Specialist, at (202) 566-3100. You may also view the proposed collection instrument by visiting the EAC's Web site at <http://www.eac.gov>.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Voting System Test Laboratory Accreditation Program Manual.

*OMB Number:* Pending.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Needs and Uses:* Section 231(b) of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15371(b)) requires that the EAC provide for the accreditation and revocation of accreditation of independent, non-federal laboratories qualified to test voting systems to Federal standards. Generally, the EAC considers for accreditation those laboratories evaluated and recommended by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) pursuant to HAVA Section 231(b)(1). However, consistent with HAVA Section 231(b)(2)(B), the Commission may also vote to accredit laboratories outside of those recommended by NIST upon publication of an explanation of the reason for any such accreditation. In

order to meet its statutory requirements under HAVA Section 15371(b), the EAC has developed the EAC's Voting System Test Laboratory Accreditation Program. The procedural requirements of the program are established in the proposed information collection, the EAC *Voting System Test Laboratory Accreditation Program Manual*. Although participation in the program is voluntary, adherence to the program's procedural requirements is mandatory for participants. The procedural requirements of this Manual will supersede any prior laboratory accreditation requirements issued by the EAC. This manual shall be read in conjunction with the EAC's *Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual* (OMB 3265-0004).

*Affected Public:* Voting system test laboratories.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 8.

*Total Annual Responses:* 8.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden*

*Hours:* 200 hours.

**Thomas R. Wilkey,**

*Executive Director, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### Request for Substantive Comments; EAC's Voting System Test Laboratory Accreditation Program Manual

**AGENCY:** United States Election Assistance Commission (EAC).

**ACTION:** Notice; request for substantive comments.

**SUMMARY:** The EAC has drafted a procedural manual for its Voting System Test Laboratory Accreditation Program. This manual establishes the administrative procedures for obtaining an EAC accreditation for Voting System Test Laboratories (VSTL). Section 231(b) of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15371(b)) requires that the EAC provide for the accreditation and revocation of accreditation of independent, non-federal laboratories qualified to test voting systems to Federal standards. In order to meet its statutory requirements under HAVA 15371(b), the EAC has developed the EAC's Voting System Test Laboratory Accreditation Program. Although participation in the program is voluntary, adherence to the program's procedural requirements is mandatory for participants. The procedural requirements of this Manual will supersede any prior laboratory accreditation requirements issued by the

EAC. This manual shall be read in conjunction with the EAC's *Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual* (OMB 3265-0004). The purpose of this notice is to request public comment on the substantive aspects of the program.

*Substantive Comments:* The EAC seeks substantive comments from the public on its proposed procedural manual. Please submit comments consistent with the information below. Comments should identify and cite the section of the manual at issue. Where a substantive issue is raised, please propose a recommended change or alternative policy. All comments submitted will be published at the end of the comment period on the EAC's Web site <http://www.eac.gov>. This publication and request for comment is not required under the rulemaking, adjudicative, or licensing provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act (APA). It is a voluntary effort by the EAC to gather input from the public on the EAC's administrative procedures for accrediting Voting System Test Laboratories. Furthermore, this request by the EAC for public comment is not intended to make any of the APA's rulemaking provisions applicable to development of this or future EAC procedural programs. However, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, a separate notice will be published on the **Federal Register** to request comments regarding the burden of responding to the information collection activities of the proposed manual; please refer to the EAC's Web site, <http://www.eac.gov>, for further information about the submission of comments regarding burden.

**DATES:** Submit written or electronic comments on this draft procedural manual on or before 5 p.m. EDT on April 4, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments via e-mail to [testlaboratoryaccreditation@eac.gov](mailto:testlaboratoryaccreditation@eac.gov); via mail to Brian Hancock, Director of Voting System Certification, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1225 New York Avenue, Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005; or via fax to 202-566-1392. An electronic copy of the proposed guidance may be found on the EAC's Web site <http://www.eac.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Matthew Masterson, Testing and Certification Program Associate, 1225 New York Avenue, Suite 1100,

Washington, DC, (202) 566-3100, *Fax:* (202) 566-1392.

**Thomas R. Wilkey,**

*Executive Director, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-36-000]

#### Chestnut Ridge Storage L.P.; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Junction Natural Gas Storage Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

January 28, 2008.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Junction Natural Gas Storage Project involving construction and operation of natural gas storage and pipeline header facilities by Chestnut Ridge Storage L.P. (Chestnut Ridge) in Fayette County, Pennsylvania and Preston and Monongalia Counties, West Virginia. The EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help determine which issues need to be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on February 29, 2008. Details on how to submit comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice.

This notice is being sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. State and local government representatives are asked to notify their constituents of this proposed project and to encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission's proceedings. It is available for viewing