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2800 have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3507 and assigned clearance numbers 1004-0102 and 1004-0107. The information is being collected to permit the authorized officer to determine if use of the public lands should be granted for rights-of-way grants or temporary use permits. The information will be used to make this determination. A response is required to obtain a benefit.

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Subpart 2881—Terms and Conditions of Right-of-Way Grants and Temporary Use Permits

§ 2881.1 Nature of interest.

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(a) The United States retains a right to use a right-of-way and temporary use permit area or authorize the use of it to others in any manner not inconsistent with pipeline construction, operation, maintenance, and termination. The holder of a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit has no right to any of the products of the land including, but not limited to, timber, forage, mineral, and animal resources. The holder may not allow the use of a right-of-way or temporary use permit area by others except its contractors, subcontractors, employees, agents or servants for purposes of construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of the pipeline.

(b) A holder shall not use a right-of-way and temporary use permit area for any purpose other than for the construction, operation, maintenance, and termination of the pipeline specified in the holder's right-of-way grant. A holder shall not locate or construct any other pipelines, including looping lines, or other improvements within a right-of-way without first securing appropriate authorization therefor.

(c) The width of a right-of-way shall not exceed 50 feet plus the ground occupied by the pipeline (that is, the pipe and related facilities) unless the authorized officer finds and records the reasons for his finding, that a wider right-of-way is necessary for operation and maintenance after construction, or

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to protect the environment or public safety.

(d) An applicant may apply to the authorized officer for a wider right-of-way in limited areas, if necessary:

(1) For the operation and maintenance of the project after construction;

(2) To protect the environment; or

(3) To provide for the public safety. If the authorized officer finds that the additional width is necessary for one of the above reasons, he may authorize a wider width. Such authorization shall include a written report recording the reasons why the additional width is necessary.

(e) A right-of-way grant issued or renewed under these regulations shall be limited to a reasonable term, not to exceed 30 years. No term shall be longer than is necessary to accomplish the purpose of the grant. The authorized officer shall determine the duration of each right-of-way grant, taking into consideration, among other things:

(1) The cost of the facility,

(2) Its useful life,

(3) Any public purpose it serves, and

(4) Potentially conflicting uses of the land.

(f) Except where a right-of-way grant has terminated by its terms upon the occurrence of a fixed or agreed upon condition, event, or time, it shall be renewed if the pipeline is being operated and maintained in accordance with all provisions of the right-of-way grant, these regulations and the Act. The authorized officer may modify the terms and conditions of the right-of-way grant at the time of renewal.

(g) No purported transfer of an interest in a right-of-way grant, a right-of-way, or any portion of a pipeline system located within a right-of-way, shall be valid without the prior written approval of the authorized officer. Applications for such approval shall be directed to the authorized officer. A transferee shall meet all the requirements of an original pipeline right-of-way grantee is bound by and shall assume all of the transferor's responsibility to the United States with respect to the transferred interest and shall agree to be bound by all terms of any outstanding right-of-way grant or temporary use permit. Applications for a

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transfer of interest shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable fee of \$50, except that where a holder assigns more than 1 right-of-way grant as part of a single action, the authorized officer, due to economies of scale, may set a fee of less than \$50 per assignment.

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§ 2881.1-2 Nature of temporary use permit interest.

(a) A temporary use permit does not grant any interest in land and is revocable at will by the authorized officer.

(b) The area covered by a temporary use permit shall be no greater than is necessary to accommodate the authorized use or to protect the environment or provide for public safety.

(c) The duration of a temporary use permit shall be determined by the authorized officer in a manner that is consistent with construction activities, and is not to exceed that length of time needed to accomplish the purpose for which the permit is sought. The term of a temporary use permit shall not exceed 3 years subject to the provisions of this section.

(d) A temporary use permit may be renewed at the discretion of the authorized officer, but the permittee has no right of renewal. The authorized officer may modify the terms and conditions of the temporary use permit at the time of renewal.

(e) A temporary use permit may be assigned at the discretion of the authorized officer, provided the use for which the permit was issued continues.

§ 2881.1-3 Reservation of rights to the United States.

All rights in Federal lands subject to a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit not expressly granted are retained by the United States. These rights include, but are not limited to:

(a) A continuing right of access across right-of-way and temporary use permit areas to all Federal lands (including the subsurface and air space);

(b) A continuing right of physical entry to any part of the pipeline system for inspection, monitoring, or for any other purpose or reason consistent with any right or obligation of the

United States under any law or regulation; and

(c) The right to make, issue, or grant right-of-way grants, temporary use permits, easements, leases, licenses, contracts, patents, permits and other authorizations to or with third parties for compatible uses on, under, above, or adjacent to the Federal lands subject to a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit.

§ 2881.2 Terms and conditions of interest granted.

(a) An applicant, by accepting a right-of-way grant or a temporary use permit, agrees and consents to comply with and be bound by the following terms and conditions, excepting those which the Secretary may waive in a particular case:

(1) To the extent practicable, all State and Federal laws applicable to the pipeline system construction, operation and maintenance which is authorized and all such additional State and Federal law, along with the implementing regulations, that may be enacted and issued during the term of the grant or permit;

(2) That in the construction, operation and maintenance of the pipeline and related facilities, there shall be no discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex or national origin and all subcontracts shall include an identical provision;

(3) To build and repair roads, fences and trails that may be destroyed or damaged by construction, operation or maintenance of the pipeline and related facilities and to build and maintain suitable crossings for roads and trails that intersect the right-of-way and related facilities; and

(4) To do everything reasonably within his or her power, both independently and upon request of the authorized officer, to prevent and suppress fires on or near the right-of-way and related facilities. This includes making available such construction and maintenance forces as may be reasonably obtained for the suppression of fires.

(b) All right-of-way grants and temporary use permits issued, renewed, or amended under these regulations shall contain such terms, conditions, and