Comments to DOE's Notice of intent to seek approval of Information Collection 1910-5149 which was published in the Federal Register August 10, 2011, Vol. 76, No. 154, page 49460.

1. Comment Submitted Tuesday, September 27, 2011:

This email is in reference to the U.S Department of Energy, Notice and Request for Comments, monthly vs. quarterly reporting.

The importance of reporting and collecting project information is strongly supported, but monthly reporting has proven to be overly burdensome. The initial contract requirement stated monthly reporting would be required for the first six months and quarterly reporting thereafter. Extending this modification is not practical and is unnecessary. The monthly reports tend to be repetitive and show no real change in project status, since many project processes extend over a 30 day period. Current monthly reporting efforts, involve several levels, including time to develop the report, report merging (sub-recipients), final review, and uploading, which in the past have been very time consuming. Moving to quarterly reporting will cut this burden, maintain accuracy, quality, and purposeful information.

Thank you,

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