DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register**.

DATES:

November 14, 2012: 1:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

November 15, 2012: 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, 480 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elliott Levine, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586–1476; email: Elliott.Levine@ee.doe.gov or Roy Tiley at (410) 997–7778 ext. 220; email: rtiley@bcs-hq.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and guidance that promotes research and development leading to the production of biobased fuels and biobased products.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include the following:

- Update on USDA Biomass R&D Activities
- Update on DOE Biomass R&D Activities
- Annual Committee Recommendations
- Update on the Biomass Research and Development Initiative
- USDA/DOE Project Presentations
- Update on Joint DPA Initiative

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you must contact Elliott Levine at 202–586–1476; email: Elliott.Levine@ee.doe.gov or Roy Tiley at (410) 997–7778 ext. 220; email: rtiley@bcs-hq.com at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in

which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Co-chairs of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Co-chairs will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at the following Web site: http://biomassboard.gov/committee/meetings.html.

Issued at Washington, DC on October 18, 2012

LaTanya R. Butler,

Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14332-000]

Historic Harrisville, Inc.; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing With the Commission, Intent To Waive Scoping, Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests, Ready for Environmental Analysis, Soliciting Comments, Terms and Conditions, and Recommendations, and Establishing an Expedited Schedule for Processing

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. *Type of Application:* Exemption from Licensing.
 - b. *Project No.:* 14332–000.
 - c. Date Filed: December 5, 2011.
 - d. Applicant: Historic Harrisville, Inc.
- e. *Name of Project:* Cheshire Mills Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: On Nubanusit Brook, in the Town of Harrisville, Cheshire County, New Hampshire. The project would not occupy lands of the United States.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 U.S.C. 2705, 2708.
- h. *Applicant Contact*: Ms. Linda Willett, Historic Harrisville, Inc., P.O. Box 79, 69 Main Street, Harrisville, NH 03450, (603) 827–3722.
- i. FERC Contact: Brandon Cherry, (202) 502–8328 or brandon.cherry@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests, comments, terms and conditions, and recommendations: Due to the small size and particular location of this project and the close coordination with state and federal agencies during the preparation of the application, the 60-day timeframe in 18 CFR 4.34(b) is shortened. Instead, motions to intervene and protests, comments, terms and conditions, and recommendations will be due 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 45 days from the date of this notice.

All documents may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov; call toll free at 1-866-208-3676; or, for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. This application has been accepted for filing and is now ready for environmental analysis.

l. The proposed Cheshire Mills Hydroelectric Project would consist of: (1) The existing 94-foot-long, 29-foot-high quarried-stone Cheshire Mills Dam with a 38-foot-long, 27-foot-high spillway section; (2) an existing 0.2-acre impoundment with a normal maximum water surface elevation of 1,282.85 feet mean sea level; (3) an existing intake structure with a 24-foot-high, 5-foot-wide trashrack that would be modified to have 1-inch clear bar spacing, and a 4-foot-high, 4-foot-wide sluice gate; (4) an existing 128-foot-long, 42-inch-