

Dated: March 5, 2012.

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*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** International Trade  
Administration, Department of  
Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Federal Advisory  
Committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the  
schedule and proposed agenda of a  
meeting of the Environmental  
Technologies Trade Advisory  
Committee (ETTAC).

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for  
Thursday, April 27, 2012, at 9 a.m.  
Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in  
Room 4830 at the U.S. Department of  
Commerce, Herbert Clark Hoover  
Building, 1401 Constitution Avenue  
NW., Washington, DC 20230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr.  
Todd DeLelle, Office of Energy &  
Environmental Industries (OEEI),  
International Trade Administration,  
Room 4053, 1401 Constitution Avenue  
NW., Washington, DC 20230. (Phone:  
202-482-4877; Fax: 202-482-5665;  
email: [todd.delelle@trade.gov](mailto:todd.delelle@trade.gov)). This  
meeting is physically accessible to  
people with disabilities. Requests for  
sign language interpretation or other  
auxiliary aids should be directed to  
OEEI at (202) 482-5225 no less than one  
week prior to the meeting.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The  
meeting will take place from 9 a.m. to  
3:30 p.m. EDT. This meeting is open to  
the public and time will be permitted  
for public comment from 3:00–3:30 p.m.  
EDT. Written comments concerning  
ETTAC affairs are welcome any time  
before or after the meeting. Minutes will  
be available within 30 days of this  
meeting.

**Topics to be Considered:** The agenda  
for the April 27, 2011 ETTAC meeting  
will include discussion of various issues  
and policies that affect environmental  
trade. These subjects will encompass  
the harmonization of global  
environmental regulations, standards,  
and certification programs; analysis of  
existing environmental goods and  
services data sources; trade  
liberalization negotiations; development

of trade promotion programs; and issues  
related to innovation in the  
environmental technology sector.

**Background:** The ETTAC is mandated  
by Public Law 103-392. It was created  
to advise the U.S. government on  
environmental trade policies and  
programs, and to help it to focus its  
resources on increasing the exports of  
the U.S. environmental industry.  
ETTAC operates as an advisory  
committee to the Secretary of Commerce  
and the Trade Promotion Coordinating  
Committee (TPCC). ETTAC was  
originally chartered in May of 1994. It  
was most recently re-chartered until  
October 2012.

**Edward A. O'Malley,**

*Director, Office of Energy and Environmental  
Industries.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Incidental Take Permit and Habitat Conservation Plan for PacifiCorp Klamath Hydroelectric Project Interim Operations

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries  
Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and  
Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),  
Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the  
availability of the Final Environmental  
Assessment (EA) on the application  
from PacifiCorp Energy (PacifiCorp or  
applicant) for an Incidental Take Permit  
(ITP) and Habitat Conservation Plan  
(HCP) for take of a threatened species in  
accordance with the Endangered  
Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA).  
NMFS and PacifiCorp have also  
developed an implementing agreement  
(IA) which details how NMFS and  
PacifiCorp will work together to  
implement the HCP. This notice also  
announces that NMFS has made a  
decision to issue an ITP to PacifiCorp  
for the covered activities described in  
their HCP, and has authorized the  
incidental take of Southern Oregon/  
Northern California Coast (SONCC)  
Evolutionarily Significant Unit (ESU)  
coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*) as  
a result of operation and maintenance of  
its Klamath Hydroelectric Project  
(Project) in and near the Klamath River  
in Southern Oregon and Northern  
California, and implementation of the

HCP during a ten-year period. This  
notice is provided under National  
Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)  
regulations and NMFS ESA permit  
regulations to inform the public that the  
Final EA HCP, responses to public  
comments, and associated documents  
are available for review; and NMFS has  
made a decision to issue the ITP.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For  
further information, or to receive a copy  
of the documents, please call Lisa  
Roberts, Fisheries Biologist, NMFS, at  
(707) 825-5178.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Availability of Documents

Copies of the Final EA, HCP, IA, and  
associated documents are available for  
public inspection during regular  
business hours at the Northern  
California National Marine Fisheries  
Office located at: 1655 Heindon Road,  
Arcata, CA 95521 (see **FOR FURTHER  
INFORMATION CONTACT**). The Final EA,  
HCP, and IA are also available  
electronically for review on the NMFS  
Southwest Region Web site at: [http://  
swr.nmfs.noaa.gov/nepa.htm](http://swr.nmfs.noaa.gov/nepa.htm).

##### Background

Section 9 of the Federal ESA prohibits  
the take of fish or wildlife species listed  
as endangered or threatened by either  
the FWS or NMFS (16 U.S.C. 1538). The  
ESA defines the term “take” as: “harass,  
harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill,  
trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to  
engage in any such conduct” (16 U.S.C.  
1532(19)). NMFS has defined “harm” as  
an act which actually kills or injures  
fish or wildlife, and such acts may  
include “significant habitat  
modification or degradation which  
actually kills or injures fish or wildlife  
by significantly impairing essential  
behavioral patterns, including breeding,  
spawning, rearing, migrating, feeding, or  
sheltering” (50 CFR 222.102). Pursuant  
to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA (16  
U.S.C. 1539(a)(1)(B)), NMFS may issue  
ITPs authorizing the take of listed  
species if, among other things, such  
taking is incidental to, and not the  
purpose of, otherwise lawful activities.

To receive an ITP under the ESA, an  
applicant must prepare an HCP that  
specifies the following: (1) the impact  
which will likely result from the taking;  
(2) steps the applicant will take to  
minimize and mitigate the impacts; (3)  
funding available to implement the  
steps; (4) what alternative actions to the  
taking the applicant considered and the  
reasons why these alternatives were not  
used; and (5) any other measures NMFS  
may require as being necessary or  
appropriate for purposes of the HCP (16

U.S.C. 1539(a)(2)(A)). To issue a permit, NMFS must find that: (1) the taking will be incidental; (2) the applicant will minimize and mitigate impacts of the taking to the maximum extent practicable; (3) the applicant will ensure adequate funding for the HCP; (4) the taking will not appreciably reduce the likelihood of the survival and recovery of the species in the wild; and (5) the applicant will meet other measures required by NMFS. Regulations governing issuance of NMFS-issued permits can be found at 50 CFR 222.301 through 307.

The applicant requested an ITP from NMFS for the SONCC coho salmon ESU. The Final PacifiCorp HCP for the Project includes a series of conservation measures to minimize and mitigate the effects of operation of the Project on potential incidental take of SONCC ESU coho salmon during the 10-year permit term. In general, the Covered Activities under the ITP and HCP include the following: (1) Operate and maintain the spill gates at Link River dam for regulation and releases of flows from Link River dam for purposes of hydroelectric generation, (2) Operate and maintain the East Side and West Side canals, penstocks, turbines, and powerhouse facilities, (3) Operate and maintain Keno dam, spill gates, and fish ladder, (4) Regulate the water level upstream of Keno dam in accordance with the agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) (per PacifiCorp's existing Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license) and for irrigation withdrawal activities, (5) Operate and maintain J.C. Boyle dam, fish bypass system, water conveyance system, (6) Maintain an instream flow release from the J.C. Boyle dam to the river of not less than 100 cfs (per PacifiCorp's existing FERC license), (7) Regulate flows from J.C. Boyle dam and powerhouse during normal operations such that ramping rates of flow in the river do not exceed 9 inches per hour (as measured at the United States Geological Survey (USGS) gage located 0.5 mile downstream of the J.C. Boyle powerhouse) per PacifiCorp's existing FERC license, (8) Operate and maintain Copco No. 1 and Copco No. 2 dams, water conveyance systems, turbines, and powerhouse facilities, (9) Operate and maintain Iron Gate dam (and associated appurtenances), penstocks, turbines, and powerhouse facilities, (10) Regulate releases from Iron Gate dam in accordance with NMFS' biological opinion on Reclamation's Klamath Project operations which identifies instream flow and ramping rate requirements (as

measured at the USGS gage located 0.5 mile downstream of Iron Gate dam), and (11) Regulate water levels at Keno, J.C. Boyle, Copco, and Iron Gate reservoirs.

The stated biological goals of PacifiCorp's HCP are to: (1) Offset biological effects of blocked habitat upstream of Iron Gate dam by enhancing the viability of the Upper Klamath coho salmon population, (2) Enhance coho salmon spawning habitat downstream of Iron Gate dam, (3) Improve instream flow conditions for coho salmon downstream of Iron Gate dam, (4) Improve water quality for coho salmon downstream of Iron Gate dam, (5) Reduce disease incidence and mortality in juvenile coho salmon downstream of Iron Gate dam, (6) Enhance migratory and rearing habitat for coho salmon in the Klamath River mainstem corridor, and (7) Enhance and expand rearing habitat for coho salmon in key tributaries.

A Notice of Availability (NOA) of the draft environmental assessment, habitat conservation plan, implementing agreement, receipt of application for the ITP, and notice of a public meeting was published in the **Federal Register** on May 4, 2011 (76 FR 25307). The public review period occurred for 60 days, and no oral comments were received at a public meeting held in Redding, California on June 29, 2011. A total of eleven (11) individual comment letters were received by the July 5, 2011 public comment deadline. Two separate individual comment letters were received after the public comment deadline, and responses to concerns raised in these letters have been provided separately from the final environmental assessment. NMFS reviewed the comments received and identified 79 separate comments regarding either the Draft EA or the HCP. A response to each of the comments received during the public comment period is included in the Final EA.

#### National Environmental Policy Act

The proposed permit issuance triggered the need for compliance with NEPA and accordingly NMFS prepared a NEPA document. The Final EA analyzes the proposed action and one other alternative (No Action). Under the proposed action, NMFS would issue the ITP and PacifiCorp would implement its HCP within the Klamath River basin. Under the No Action Alternative, the requested ITP would not be issued, and PacifiCorp would not implement the HCP. NMFS is responsible for compliance under NEPA and is providing notice of the availability of the Final EA and is making available for

public review the responses to comments on the Draft EA.

Dated: March 6, 2012.

**Angela Somma,**

*Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648-XB078**

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council's (Council) Groundfish Oversight Committee will meet to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, March 29, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Providence Biltmore Hotel, 11 Dorrance Street, Providence, RI 02903; telephone: (401) 421-0700.

*Council Address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Agenda

The Groundfish Committee will meet to continue development of two management actions. The Committee will continue development of an action to modify measures that apply to sectors. This discussion is expected to focus primarily on monitoring issues, including goals and objectives and possible funding mechanisms. The Committee may also discuss full retention of allocate groundfish species and other sector framework issues. The Committee will discuss an action to establish acceptable biological catches (ABCs) and annual catch limits (ACLs) for fishing years 2013 and 2014. As part of this discussion the Committee will receive a preliminary report on recently updated assessments and may discuss further the Council's response to the