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Supplementary Information:

Summary of Information Collection

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Dated: February 16, 2000.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Idaho High-Level Waste and Facilities Disposition Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Extension of Comment Period and Additional Public Hearing.

SUMMARY: In response to the public's request, the Department of Energy (DOE) announces the extension of the public comment period for the Idaho High-Level Waste and Facilities Disposition Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to April 19, 2000, an additional 30 days. This will result in a comment period totaling 90 days. DOE also announces that an additional public hearing has been added in Fort Hall,

Idaho. This new hearing has been publicized in the local media.

DATES: The public is invited to submit written and oral comments at the public hearings shown below. The hearing in Fort Hall, Idaho will be held at the Fort Hall Tribal Business Center on March 2, 2000, at 6:00 p.m. The location of the Boise, Idaho, meeting has been changed to the Doubletree Riverside, 2900 Chinden Blvd., Boise, Idaho 83714. Meetings will include overview presentations, a question and answer session, and an oral comment session. To schedule a time to submit oral comments during the hearings, please call 1-888-918-5100. Persons wishing to provide oral comments who have not registered in advance may register at the hearings.

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Cities	Dates	Meeting times	Meeting locations
Idaho Falls, ID	Monday, February 7, 2000	7 p.m.	Shilo Inn.
Pocatello, ID	Tuesday, February 8, 2000	6 p.m.	Idaho State University.
Jackson, WY	Wednesday, February 9, 2000	6 p.m.	Snow King Lodge.
Twin Falls, ID	Tuesday, February 15, 2000	6 p.m.	College of Southern Idaho, Taylor Bldg.
Boise, ID	Thursday, February 17, 2000	6 p.m.	Doubletree Riverside.
Portland, OR	Tuesday, February 22, 2000	6 p.m.	Doubletree Lloyd Center.
Pasco, WA	Thursday, February 24, 2000	6 p.m.	Doubletree Pasco.
Fort Hall, ID	Thursday, March 2, 2000	6 p.m.	Tribal Business Center.

* There will be a 1-hour open house prior to the start of each meeting.

ADDRESSES: Other options for submitting comments on the Draft EIS are as follows:

- Comments may be mailed to: Thomas L. Wichmann, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 850 Energy Drive, MS 1108, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563, Attn: EIS Public Comment.

- Comments may be transmitted by facsimile to: 1-208-526-1184.

- Comments may be submitted over the Internet at: <http://www.jason.com/hlwfdeis>.

DOE will consider all comments transmitted or postmarked by April 19, 2000. Comments submitted after this date will be considered to the extent practicable.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thomas L. Wichmann, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, at (208) 526-0535; or Ann Dold, State of Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, at (208) 528-2600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On January 21, 2000, the DOE published a Notice of Availability (65 FR 3432) of its Idaho High-level Waste and Facilities Disposition Draft Environmental Impact Statement and

announced a 60-day public comment period ending March 20, 2000. Copies of the Draft EIS have been provided to Federal, state, tribal, and local government agencies and other interested parties. The Draft EIS is available on the Internet via the DOE National Environmental Policy Act website at <http://tis.eh.doe.gov/nepa/docs/docs.htm>. In addition, the Draft EIS is available at 20 public reading rooms across the country and may be requested by calling 1-888-918-5100.

References used in the preparation of the Draft EIS are available for review at the EIS Project Office at DOE Idaho, 785 DOE Place, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

DOE is extending the public comment period for the Draft EIS to April 19, 2000, an additional 30 days. This will result in a comment period totaling 90 days. At the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe's request, DOE also is adding a public hearing at Fort Hall, Idaho on March 2, 2000, which has been publicized in the local media.

Mark W. Frei,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Project Completion, Environmental Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Tanner Tap to Snoqualmie-Lake Tradition No.1 115-kV Transmission Line

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of Floodplain and Wetlands Involvement.

SUMMARY: This notice announces BPA's proposal to site a new 115,000-volt (115-kV) transmission line across a number of wetlands and a floodplain. The line will be constructed in central King County, Washington, to provide Tanner Electric Cooperative (Tanner), one of BPA's full requirements customers, a new point of delivery at Tanner's proposed substation in the City of North Bend. The action is necessary to allow Tanner to meet their existing and future loads in the North Bend area. The effect on the public will be the construction and operation of a new 4.5-mile-long transmission line where no transmission line has existed before. In accordance with DOE regulations for compliance with floodplain and wetlands environmental review

requirements, BPA will prepare a floodplain and wetlands assessment and would perform this proposed action in a manner so as to avoid or minimize potential harm to or within the affected floodplain and wetlands. After BPA issues the assessment, a floodplain statement of findings will be published in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Comments are due to the address below no later than March 10, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments to Communications, Bonneville Power Administration—KC-7, P.O. Box 12999, Portland, Oregon, 97212. Internet address: comment@bpa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gene Lynard, Environmental Project Lead, KECN-4, Bonneville Power Administration, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon, 97208-3621, phone number 503-230-3790, fax number 503-230-5699.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Wetlands in the project area are primarily associated with the floodplains of the Snoqualmie River and its tributaries. The proposed transmission line route would cross a number of small wetlands, which support no unique flora or fauna. Most wetlands crossed are narrow and would be spanned where practical. Impacts would be primarily related to the removal of trees, which would threaten transmission line safety from wetlands and associated buffers. The largest wetland area crossed is located about one mile northwest of the City of North Bend along North Bend Way in Section 5, 23N, 8E. This is a large diverse wetland associated with Kimball Creek. The proposed transmission line alignment bisects this Pulustrian scrub/shrub and forested wetland for a distance of about 0.8 kilometers (0.5 miles). The project would be located within the North Bend Way right-of-way (at this location) and no structures would be placed within the wetland; however, the transmission line would be located within the 50-foot buffer of this sensitive area.

Wetlands could be affected if construction activities alter wetland vegetation, soils or hydrology. Construction and clearing activities and any necessary road improvements could also potentially affect sediment transport, damage vegetation and wildlife habitat, and reduce a wetland's ability to provide for flood and sediment control.

Maps and further information are available from BPA at the address above.

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James M. Kehoe,

Manager, Policy and Strategic Planning.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Supplemental Announcement Number 02, Hydrogen Technical Analysis, to the Broad Based Solicitation (DE-PS36-00GO10482) for Submission of Financial Assistance Applications Involving Research, Development and Demonstration

AGENCY: The Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Request for applications for technical analysis efforts in support of the DOE Hydrogen Program.

SUMMARY: The DOE Office of Power Technologies is funding a competitive financial assistance program in support of the DOE Hydrogen Program. Applications are requested under a DOE Broad Based Solicitation that is anticipated to result in the award of one or more cooperative agreements in Fiscal Year 2000.

Background Information

The Office of Power Technologies (OPT) of the DOE Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) is supporting the issuance of a Supplemental Announcement to the EERE Broad Based Solicitation for Submission of Financial Assistance Applications Involving Research, Development and Demonstration, DE-PS36-00GO10482. The Broad Based Solicitation contains information that must be used in conjunction with the Supplemental Announcement when applying for an award. Thus, in order to prepare a complete application, it is mandatory to comply with the requirements of the overall Broad Based Solicitation document, DE-PS36-00GO10482 (found on the Golden Field Office Home Page at <http://www.eren.doe.gov/golden/solicitations.html>) as well as the requirements of the Supplemental Announcement 02 document.

Under this Supplemental Announcement, DOE is seeking applications for technical analysis that can advance hydrogen production, storage, and utilization technologies. The objectives are to provide analysis in the following areas: (1) Technical analysis of projects now funded by the

DOE Hydrogen Program, (2) analysis of novel hydrogen systems not currently being researched in the Program, (3) assistance in disseminating hydrogen-related information to the public and industry, and (4) technical analysis on matters affecting hydrogen-related issues being considered by the International Energy Agency.

It is anticipated that projects may be selected for initial 12-month awards with possible continuations for up to two additional years. DOE is proposing to undertake this effort under the Hydrogen Future Act of 1996, Public Law 104-271. Awards, if any, will result from a merit review process applied to the applications.

DATES: Applications should be submitted as described in the Supplemental Announcement by March 31, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: U.S. Department of Energy, Golden Field Office, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401. The Contract Specialist is Beth H. Peterman, at facsimile (303) 275-4788, or e-mail at beth_peterman@nrel.gov. The Supplemental Announcement can be obtained from the GFO website at www.eren.doe.gov/golden/solicitations.html as of February 22, 2000.

Issued in Golden, Colorado, on February 15, 2000.

Mary Hartford,

Contracting Officer, GO.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Entergy Power Marketing Corporation v. Southwest Power Pool; Notice of Complaint

February 17, 2000.

Take notice that on February 16, 2000, Entergy Power Marketing Corporation tendered for filing a complaint against the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) alleging violations of the SPP's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests