FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Raymond Swider, 703–607–1122. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Department of Defense (DoD) provides the GPS Standard Positioning Service (SPS) for peaceful civil, commercial, and scientific uses on a continuous worldwide basis free of direct user fees. The SPS is a single-frequency GPS service which is presently limited to the coarse acquisition (C/A) code on the L1 frequency.

Access to two or more civil signals are needed to enable high accuracy civil applications. Civil users are currently employing codeless or semi-codeless techniques to gain access to encrypted GPS signals, L1 P(Y) and L2 P(Y). To facilitate expansion of civil GPS applications, the DoD has planned and begun to broadcast additional civil signals that will obviate the further need for use of codeless and semi-codeless techniques. The second coded civil GPS signal (L2C) and the third coded civil GPS signal (L5) are planned to be broadcast from 24 GPS satellites in 2016 and 2018, respectively. Full operational capability of the L2C and L5 GPS signals in combination with the existing L1 C/ A signal will enable the full spectrum of dual frequency applications without using the P(Y) signals.

The U.S. Government acknowledges global use of GPS codeless and semicodeless techniques and commits to maintaining the existing GPS L1 C/A, L1 P(Y), L2C and L2 P(Y) signal characteristics until December 31, 2020 when the second and third civil signals (L2C and L5) are planned to be broadcast from a minimum of 24 GPS satellites. After the planned transition date, the characteristics of the L1 P(Y) and L2 P(Y) signals transmitted by any or all GPS satellites broadcasting two or more civil-coded signals may change without further notice and may preclude the use of P(Y) coded signals for high accuracy applications.

The U.S. Government is committed to support civil PNT services based on GPS civil signals: L1 C/A, L2C, L5, and L1C. To this end, GPS civil signal characteristics are specified in the relevant Interface Specifications (ISs) and will be included in Performance Standards (PSs) subject to the operating descriptions contained in the Federal Radionavigation Plan (FRP). The U.S. Government has met or exceeded GPS service performance commitments in the Standard Positioning Service Performance Standard since 1993 and is committed to continually improving GPS services as codeless and semicodeless users complete a timely

transition to dual-coded civil GPS equipment.

Dated: September 16, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Idaho National Laboratory

AGENCY: Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Idaho National Laboratory. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the Federal Register.

DATES: Tuesday, October 7, 2008 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Opportunities for public participation will be held on Tuesday, October 7, 2008, from 1 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. and from 3:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

These times are subject to change; please contact the Federal Coordinator (below) for confirmation of times prior to the meeting.

ADDRESSES: Coeur d'Alene Hampton Inn, 1500 Riverstone Drive, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert L. Pence, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 1955 Fremont Avenue, MS–1203, Idaho Falls, ID 83415. Phone (208) 526–6518; Fax (208) 526–8789 or e-mail: pencerl@id.doe.gov or visit the Board's Internet home page at: http://www.inlemcab.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Topics (agenda topics may change up to the day of the meeting; please contact Robert L. Pence for the most current agenda):

- Progress to Cleanup.
- Advanced Mix Waste Treatment Plant—Performance Status Review.
- Waste Area Group 7 (WAG-7) Final Record of Decision.
- Implementation of Buried Waste Agreement.
 - WAG-10 Proposed Plan.

- Preparation to Process Offsite-Generated Waste.
- Fiscal Year 2009 EM Idaho Cleanup Project Budget.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral presentations pertaining to agenda items should contact Robert L. Pence at the address or telephone number listed above. The request must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Robert L. Pence, Federal Coordinator, at the address and phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: http://www.inlemcab.org/meetings.html.

Issued at Washington, DC, on September 18, 2008.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2244-022]

Energy Northwest; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, and Soliciting Motions To Intervene

September 16, 2008.

Take notice that we are soliciting motions to intervene for the Packwood Lake Hydroelectric Project application. Notice of the Application's tendering was issued on March 7, 2008. The Commission accepted the application and deemed the application ready for environmental analysis by public notice on June 19, 2008, and solicited comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions. We are now soliciting motions to intervene. The application, associated filings and issuances are available for public inspection.

- a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.
 - b. Project No.: 2244-022.
 - c. Date filed: February 25, 2008.

d. Applicant: Energy Northwest.

e. Name of Project: Packwood Lake

Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: The existing project is on Lake Creek, a tributary to Cowlitz River, in Lewis County in southwestern Washington near the unincorporated town of Packwood. The upper portion of the lake lies within the Goat Rocks Wilderness Area. The project occupies 511.65 acres of United States Forest Service land, 23.66 acres of Energy Northwest-owned land, 8.78 acres of Washington State lands, and 1.52 acres of Lewis County Public Utility District lands.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C.791 (a)—825(r).

h. Applicant Contact: Jack W. Baker, Vice President, Energy Northwest, Mail Drop 1035, P.O. Box 968, Richland, WA 99352-0968; telephone (509) 377-5078, or e-mail at jwbaker@energynorthwest.com; or D.L. Ross, Energy Northwest, Mail Drop 1030, P.O. Box 968, Richland, WA 99352-0968.

i. FERC Contact: Kenneth Hogan, telephone (202) 502-8464, or e-mail at

kenneth.hogan@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene is 60 days from the issuance of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: 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.

Motions to intervene may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (http://www.ferc.gov) under the "e-Filing" link.

k. This application has been accepted for filing, as of February 25, 2008.

1. Project description: The existing project consists of the following: (1) An intake canal, a concrete drop structure (dam), intake building on Lake Creek located about 424 feet downstream from the outlet of Packwood Lake, a 21,691foot system of concrete pipe and tunnels, a 5,621-foot penstock, a surge tank, and a powerhouse with a 26.1megawatt turbine generator; (2) a 452-

acre reservoir (Packwood Lake) at a normal full pool elevation of 2,857 feet above mean sea level with approximately 4,162 acre-feet of usable storage; and (3) appurtenant facilities. The average annual generation at the project is about 90,998 megawatt-hours.

The applicant proposes a modified reservoir operational regime and higher instream flow releases to the bypassed reach on Lake Creek. Several other proposed measures for the project include: (1) Developing and implementing a stream restoration and enhancement plan in the anadromous zone in lower Lake Creek; (2) improving fish passage on Snyder Creek where it crosses the tailrace canal; (3) maintaining and monitoring of tailrace fish barrier; and (4) developing and implementing numerous resource protection and enhancement plans.

m. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary link". Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport @ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "MOTION TO INTERVENE"; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings

September 17, 2008.

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings: Docket Numbers: RP08-481-001. Applicants: Texas Gas Transmission, LLC.

Description: Texas Gas Transmission, LLC submits Substitute Fourth Revised Sheet 240 to FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, to be effective 09/01/2008.

Filed Date: 09/11/2008.

Accession Number: 20080912-0081. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, September 22, 2008.

Docket Numbers: RP08–621–000. Applicants: CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company.

Description: CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company submits Eighteenth Revised Sheet No. 17, et al., to FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1, to be effective 10/01/

Filed Date: 09/15/2008. Accession Number: 20080917-0122. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, September 29, 2008.

Docket Numbers: RP08-622-000. Applicants: CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company.

Description: CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company submits First Revised Sheet No. 229, et al., to FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1, to be effective 11/01/2008.

Filed Date: 09/15/2008. Accession Number: 20080917-0123. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time Monday, September 29, 2008.

Docket Numbers: CP06-76-003. Applicants: Algonquin Gas Transmission LLC.

Description: Algonquin Gas Transmission LLC submits an application for amendment to certificate of public convenience and necessity and request for expedited treatment.

Filed Date: 09/10/2008. Accession Number: 20080916-0030. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, September 22, 2008.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. It is not necessary to separately intervene