experts will rate the quality of a sample of products and services from each Center along three dimensions: adherence to scientifically based standards, relevance to the field, and usefulness. The IHE Study will collect data through a survey of proposed Project Directors of funded and nonfunded projects, as well as a collection of materials documenting improvement of funded courses of study. It will address (a) status; (b) focus; (c) entry and completion requirements; (d) grant support for students; (e) changes to the course of study since the time of the application; (f) enrollment and completion information; (g) standardized exit exam scores; (h) allocation of PDP grant funds; and (i) information about formal data collection from program.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from http://edicsweb.ed.gov, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3963. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202–401–0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to *ICDocketMgr@ed.gov*. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq., intends to extend for three years an information collection request with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) concerning health and safety reporting requirements for DOE contractors. The information collected will be used by DOE to exercise

management oversight and control over Management and Operating (M&O) contractors of DOE's Government-Owned Contractor-Operated (GOCO) facilities, and offsite contractors. The contractor management oversight and control function concerns the ways in which DOE contractors provide goods and services for DOE organizations and activities in accordance with the terms of their contract; the applicable statutory, regulatory and mission support requirements of the Department; and regulations in the functional area covered in this request. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the extended information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB review and approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before April 27, 2009. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to: Vincent Le, HS-1.22, Germantown Building, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290. Or by fax at 301-903-6081 or by e-mail at vinh.le@hq.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the proposed information collection instrument and instructions may be obtained at http://www.hss.energy.gov/pra.html.

Alternatively, requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to the person listed above in ADDRESSES.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information collection request contains the following: (1) OMB No: 1910–0300. (2) Package Title: Environment, Safety and Health. (3) Type of Review: Renewal. (4) Purpose: for DOE

management oversight and control over its contractors ensuring that environment, safety and health resources and requirements are managed efficiently and effectively. (5) Respondents: 2,469. (6) Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 68,136; and Estimated Annual Cost Burden: \$12,741,432.

Statutory Authority: Department of Energy Organization Act, Public Law No. 95–91, 91 Stat. 565 (1977).

Issued in Washington, DC on January 21, 2009.

Lesley A. Gasperow,

Director, Office of Resource Management, Office of Health, Safety and Security. [FR Doc. E9–4106 Filed 2–25–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board Chairs

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) Chairs. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the Federal Register.

DATES: Wednesday, March 18, 2009, 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 19, 2009, 8 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Augusta Marriott Hotel & Suites, Two Tenth Street, Augusta, Georgia, Phone: (706) 722–8900, Fax: (706) 823–6513.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Catherine Alexander Brennan, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; Phone: (202) 586–7711.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

Tentative Agenda Topics:

Wednesday, March 18, 2009

- EM Visions and Priorities—2009 and Beyond Discussion.
- Round Robin: Top Three Site-Specific Issues and EM SSAB Accomplishments.
- EM Headquarters Update and Initiatives: EM Budget and Technology Issues.

- Savannah River Site Presentations.
- EM SSAB Chairs' Roundtable Discussion.

Thursday, March 19, 2009

- Waste Disposition Presentation.
- EM SSAB Chairs' Roundtable Discussion.
- Savannah River Site E-Meeting Demonstration.

Public Participation: The EM SSAB Chairs welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Catherine Alexander Brennan at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed either before or after the meeting with the Designated Federal Officer, Catherine Alexander Brennan, at the address or telephone listed above. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should also contact Catherine Alexander Brennan. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The 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 Catherine Alexander Brennan at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: http://www.em.doe.gov/stakepages/ssabchairs.aspx.

Issued at Washington, DC on February 19, 2009.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. E9–4105 Filed 2–25–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450-01-P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP09-61-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission, LP; Notice of Application

February 19, 2009.

Take notice that on February 4, 2009, Texas Eastern Transmission, LP (Texas Eastern), 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 77056, filed in the

above referenced docket an application pursuant to sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations, for an order granting the authorization (i) to construct, own, operate, and maintain a 12,500 horsepower (HP) compressor and related appurtenances necessary to facilitate interconnection with Texas Gas Transmission, LLC's (Texas Gas) Greenville Lateral at Kosciusko, Mississippi; (ii) to abandon by removal an outdated 12,500 HP compressor and related appurtenances; (iii) to utilize its existing system firm and interruptible rates for the Kosciusko Project facilities; and (iv) any waivers, authority, and further relief as may be necessary to implement the subject proposal, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing 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 at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Garth Johnson, General Manager, Rates and Certificates, Texas Eastern Transmission, LP, P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas 77251–1642, at (713) 627–5415.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made in the proceeding with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments

considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commentors will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at http://www.ferc.gov, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: March 12, 2009.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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