

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Proposed Emergency Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed emergency collection of information that DOE is developing for management of financial assistance grants funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information 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 collection of information, 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 collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before February 18, 2010. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.
ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to: Matthew Grosso, U.S. Department of Energy, OE/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585 or by fax at 202-586-5860, or by e-mail at *matthew.grosso@hq.doe.gov* and DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Matthew Grosso at *matthew.grosso@hq.doe.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This emergency information collection request contains: (1) *OMB No.:* New; (2) *Information Collection Request Title:* Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability Recovery Act Smart Grid Grant Program Status Report; (3) *Type of Review:* Emergency; (4) *Purpose:* To collect information on the status of

grantee activities, expenditures, and results, to ensure that program funds are being used appropriately, effectively and expeditiously (especially important for Recovery Act funds); (5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 132; (6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 1,656; (7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 3,312; (8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$621,000 for the first year, \$138,000 each subsequent year.

Authority: Title V, Subtitle E of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA; Pub. L. 110-140).

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 28, 2010.

Terri T. Lee,
Chief Operating Officer, Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice Providing Agenda for Technical Conference on RTO/ISO Responsiveness

January 27, 2010.

California Independent System Operator Corporation	Docket No. ER09-1048-000.
Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc	Docket No. ER09-1049-000.
Southwest Power Pool, Inc	Docket Nos. ER09-1050-000, ER09-1192-000.
ISO New England, Inc. and New England Power Pool	Docket No. ER09-1051-000.
PJM Interconnection, LLC	Docket No. ER09-1063-000.
New York Independent System Operator, Inc	Docket No. ER09-1142-000.

On November 13, 2009, the Commission issued a notice announcing that the Commission staff would hold a technical conference in the near future to address issues raised in the above-referenced Order No. 719 compliance proceedings.¹ The notice indicated that the date, time, and agenda for the conference would be announced in a subsequent notice. On January 8, 2010, the Commission issued a notice providing an agenda for the conference. The notice indicated that the panelists were subject to change. Attached is an up-dated agenda with the panelists as of the date of this notice.

The staff technical conference will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2010, from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (EST) in the Commission Meeting Room at the Commission's Washington, D. headquarters, 888 First Street, NE.

This conference will be webcast. All interested parties are invited, and there is no registration fee to attend.

FERC conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations please send an e-mail to *accessibility@ferc.gov* or call toll free (866) 208-3372 (voice) or (202) 502-8659 (TTY), or send a fax to (202) 208-2106 with the required accommodations.

Questions about the technical conference may be directed to Kurt

Longo at *kurt.longo@ferc.gov*, (202) 502-8048.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

Agenda—Technical Conference on RTO/ISO Responsiveness

February 4, 2010

- 12:30 Panel 1—Stakeholder Process Bill Fields, Maryland Office of People's Counsel
- Paul Williams, Portland Cement Association (Industrial Consumers)
- John Anderson, Electric Consumers Resource Council
- Patrick E. McCullar, Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation, on behalf of American Public Power Association
- Tamara Linde, Public Service Electric & Gas

¹ *Wholesale Competition in Regions with Organized Electric Market*, Order No. 719, 73 FR 64,100 (Oct. 28, 2008), FERC Stats & Regs. ¶ 31,281 (2008); *order on reh'g*, 74 FR 37,772 (July 29, 2009), 128 FERC ¶ 61,059 (2009) (Order No. 719-A).

Don Fuller, California Independent System Operator Corporation
 Stephen Kozey, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.
 Stacy Duckett, Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
 Ray Hepper, ISO New England, Inc.
 Andrew Ott, PJM Interconnection, LLC
 Robert Fernandez, New York Independent System Operator, Inc.
 2:15 Break
 2:30 Panel 2—Board Process and other Governance Issues
 Janine Migden-Ostrander, Office of the Ohio Consumers' Counsel
 Randy Rismiller, Illinois Commerce Commission
 Lisa Fink, Maine Public Utilities Commission
 Jed Nosal, Assistant Attorney General for the State of Massachusetts
 Tamara Linde, Public Service Electric & Gas
 Don Fuller, California Independent System Operator Corporation
 Stephen Kozey, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.
 Stacy Duckett, Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
 Ray Hepper, ISO New England, Inc.
 Vincent Duane, PJM Interconnection, LLC
 Robert Fernandez, New York Independent System Operator, Inc.
 4:15 Closing Remarks
 * Panelists subject to change.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13653-000]

Claverack Creek, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

January 27, 2010.

On January 11, 2010, Claverack Creek, LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Claverack Creek Hydroelectric Project No. 13653, to be located on Claverack Creek, in Columbia County, New York.

The proposed project would consist of: (1) The existing 16-foot-high, 170-foot-long Stottville Mill Dam; (2) an existing 11.4-acre impoundment with a normal water surface elevation of 106 feet mean sea level; (3) an existing turbine with a new generator and a new

turbine-generator with a total capacity of 450 kilowatts; (4) an existing 10-foot-wide, 8-foot-deep intake canal; (5) new trash racks, head gates, and stop log structure; (6) an existing 6-foot-diameter, 10-foot-long penstock and a new 10-foot-long penstock extension; (7) a new 40-foot-wide, 60-foot-long powerhouse; (8) an existing 10-foot-wide, 20-foot-long tailrace; (9) a new approximately 200-foot-long, 13.2-kilovolt transmission line from the powerhouse to a nearby distribution line; (10) a redeveloped 100-foot-long access road; (11) and appurtenant facilities. The project would have an estimated annual generation of 2,182 megawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: William Fay, 189 River Road, Ware, MA 01082, (413) 244-6445.

FERC Contact: Brandon Cherry, (202) 502-8328.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing application: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "eFiling" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission's Web site located at <http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp>.

More information about this project can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13653) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL10-36-000]

Green Borders Geothermal, LLC, Complainant, v. Terra-Gen Dixie Valley, LLC, Respondent; Notice of Complaint

January 28, 2010.

Take notice that on January 25, 2010, Green Borders Geothermal, LLC (Green Borders) filed a formal complaint against Terra-Gen Dixie Valley, LLC (f/k/a Caithness Dixie Valley, LLC) (Terra-Gen) pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act, and 18 CFR 385.206, alleging that Terra-Gen violated prior Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) Orders¹ and the Commission's open access policies² when it failed to file an Open Access Transmission Tariff and Large Generator Interconnection Agreement with the Commission once Green Borders requested open access interconnection and transmission service on Terra-Gen's Dixie Valley Line that extends from Churchill County, Nevada through Mineral County, Nevada and ultimately interconnects with Southern California Edison Company's ("SCE") transmission system at SCE's Control Substation within the California Independent System Operator Corp.'s Control Area.

Green Borders certifies that copies of the complaint were served on the contacts for Terra-Gen, as listed on the Commission's list of Corporate Officials.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the

¹ *Oxbow Power Marketing, Inc.*, 76 FERC ¶ 61,031 (1996) and *Oxbow Power Marketing, Inc.*, 79 FERC ¶ 61,193.

² *Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-Discriminatory Transmission Servs. by Pub. Utils.; Recovery of Stranded Costs by Pub. Utils. and Transmitting Utilities*, Order No. 888, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,036 (1996), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,048 (1997), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-B, 81 FERC ¶ 61,248 (1997), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-C, 82 FERC ¶ 61,046 (1998), *aff'd in part and rev'd in part sub nom. Transmission Access Policy Study Group, et al. v. FERC*, 225 F.3d 667 (D.C. Cir. 2000), *cert. granted in part and denied in part, New York v. FERC*, 535 U.S. 1 (2002); see also *Preventing Undue Discrimination and Preference in Transmission Serv.*, Order No. 890, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,241, *order on reh'g*, Order No. 890-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,261 (2007), *order on reh'g and clarification*, Order No. 890-B, 123 FERC ¶ 61,299 (2008), *order on reh'g and clarification*, Order No. 890-C, 126 FERC ¶ 61,228 (2009), *order on reh'g and clarification*, Order No. 890-D, 129 FERC ¶ 61,126 (2009).