protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. In reference to filings initiating a new proceeding, interventions or protests submitted on or before the comment deadline need not be served on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at *http:// www.ferc.gov.* To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above proceedings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also 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 dockets(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.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary. [FR Doc. 2010–9265 Filed 4–21–10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6717–01–P

# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1864-003]

# Upper Peninsula Power Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

April 15, 2010.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations, 18 CFR part 380, Commission staff have prepared an environmental assessment (EA) regarding Upper Peninsula Power Company's plan to replace the spillway at the Bond Falls Development of the Bond Falls Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 1864). The project is located on the Ontonagon River in Ontonagon and Gogebic Counties, Michigan, and Vilas County, Wisconsin, partially on lands within the Ottawa National Forest. The Bond Falls Development is located on the Middle Branch of the Ontonagon River in Ontonagon County, Michigan, and occupies 73.5 acres of land within the Ottawa National Forest.

The EA contains the Commission staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the planned replacement of the Bond Falls spillway and concludes that the spillway replacement, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the EA are available for review in the Public Reference Room 2-A of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The EA may also be viewed on the Commission's Internet Web site (http:// www.ferc.gov) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number in the docket number field to access the document. Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (202) 502-6088, or on the Commission's Web site using the eLibrary link. For assistance with eLibrary, contact FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or tollfree at (866) 208-3372; for TTY contact (202) 502-8659.

# Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM10-13-000]

# Credit Reforms in Organized Wholesale Electric Markets; Notice of Technical Conference

April 15, 2010.

Take notice that on May 11, 2010, the Commission staff will convene a technical conference to discuss issues related to the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on *Credit Reforms in Organized Wholesale Electric Markets.*<sup>1</sup> The technical conference will be held from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (EDT), in the Commission Meeting Room at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. All those that are interested are invited to attend. The conference is free and no registration is necessary. Further notices with detailed information will be issued in advance of this conference.

A free webcast of this event will be available through *http://www.ferc.gov.* Anyone with internet access who desires to listen to this event can do so by navigating *http://www.ferc.gov's* Calendar of Events and locating this event in the calendar. The event will contain a link to its webcast. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for free webcasts and offers the option of listening via phone-bridge for a fee. If you have any questions, visit *http://www.CapitolConnection.org* or call 703–993–3100.

Commission 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 1–866–208–3372 (voice) or 202–208–1659 (TTY), or send a FAX to 202–208–2106 with the required accommodations. For more information on this conference, please contact:

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Innovation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, (202) 502–8456, scott.miller@ferc.gov.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9141-2]

### NACEPT Subcommittee on Promoting Environmental Stewardship

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92–463, EPA gives notice of a meeting of the NACEPT Subcommittee on Promoting Environmental Stewardship.

The purpose of the Subcommittee on Promoting Environmental Stewardship (SPES) of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 130 FERC ¶ 61,055 (2010). This workshop is being held in accordance with the Commission's Order Obtaining Guidance on Regulatory Requirements, 123 FERC ¶ 61,157 (2008).

Technology (NACEPT) is to advise the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on how to promote environmental stewardship practices that encompass all environmental aspects of an organization in the regulated community and other sectors, as appropriate, in order to enhance human health and environmental protection. A copy of the meeting agenda will be posted at http://epa.gov/ncei/ dialogue.htm. This Web site also includes the charge of the SPES, which provides further information about the purpose of the Subcommittee.

Meeting agenda will focus on the Subcommittee's potential stewardshiprelated recommendations for the Agency.

**DATES:** The NACEPT Subcommittee on Promoting Environmental Stewardship will hold an open meeting on May 5 (8 a.m.–5 p.m.) and May 6 (8 a.m.–4 p.m.) Eastern. Less than 15 calendar days notice is being given due to unanticipated difficulty in obtaining suitable meeting space.

**ADDRESSES:** George Washington University Law School, Faculty Conference Center, Fifth Floor, Burns Building, 2000 H Street, NW., Washington DC 20052. The meeting is open to the public, with limited seating on a first-come, first-served basis.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Regina Langton, Designated Federal Officer, *langton.regina@epa.gov*, 202– 566–2178, U.S. EPA Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation (MC1807T), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Requests to make brief oral comments or provide written statements to the SPES should be sent to Jennifer Peyser at (202) 965–6215 or *jpeyser@RESOLV.org.* All requests must be received no later than April 28, 2010.

Meeting Access: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Jennifer Peyser at *jpeyser@RESOLV.org*. To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Jennifer Peyser at least 10 days prior to the meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: April 16, 2010.

### Regina Langton,

Designated Federal Officer. [FR Doc. 2010–9331 Filed 4–21–10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–P

# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9140-8]

# Science Advisory Board Staff Office; Request for Nominations of Experts To Augment the SAB Ecological Processes and Effects Committee (EPEC)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office is requesting public nominations of non-EPA experts to augment the SAB Ecological Processes and Effects Committee (EPEC) to review the design, scope, and progress of EPA research to model, monitor, and map ecosystem services. **DATES:** Nominations should be submitted by May 13, 2010 per instructions below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Any member of the public wishing further information regarding this Notice and Request for Nominations may contact Dr. Thomas Armitage, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), SAB Staff Office, by telephone/voice mail at (202) 343-9995; by fax at (202) 233-0643 or via email at armitage.thomas@epa.gov. General information concerning the EPA Science Advisory Board can be found on the EPA SAB Web site at http:// www.epa.gov/sab. Any inquiry regarding EPA's Ecosystem Services Research Program should be directed to Dr. Rick Linthurst of EPA's Office of Research and Development at linthurst.rick@epa.gov or (919) 541-4909 or Ms. Iris Goodman of EPA's Office of Research and Development at Goodman.iris@epa.gov or 202-343-9854.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

The SAB (42 U.S.C. 4365) is a chartered Federal Advisory Committee that provides independent scientific and technical peer review, advice, consultation, and recommendations to the EPA Administrator on the technical basis for EPA actions. As a Federal Advisory Committee, the SAB conducts business in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App. 2) and related regulations. Generally, SAB meetings are announced in the Federal Register, conducted in public view, and provide opportunities for public input during deliberations. The Ecological Processes and Effects Committee is a standing committee of the chartered SAB. Additional

information about the SAB and its committees can be obtained on the SAB Web site at http://www.epa.gov/sab.

In 2008, the Science Advisory Board (SAB) (see http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/ sabproduct.nsf/3F81610BFF770E30852 574D600718D4F/\$File/EPA-SAB-08-011-unsigned.pdf) reviewed the EPA Office of Research and Development (ORD) draft Ecological Research Program Multi-Year Plan. The draft Plan articulated a new strategic direction for ecological research focused on understanding ecosystem services and their contribution to human health and well-being. In 2009, the SAB provided additional consultative advice and recommendations regarding EPA implementation of the Ecosystem Services Research Program (ESRP) (see http://vosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct. nsf/91190EEC56A44B3F85257641006 BB7D7/\$File/EPA-SAB-09-019unsigned.pdf).

ORD has requested further SAB review of the design, scope, and progress of ESRP research to model, monitor, and map ecosystem services. EPA's ESRP monitoring, mapping, and modeling research aims to provide a publicly accessible, scalable, national atlas; a design framework to inventory ecosystem services; and integrated models for selected ecosystem services that can be directly or indirectly quantified.

# **Request for Nominations**

To augment expertise on the SAB EPEC, the SAB Staff Office is seeking nominations of recognized experts in ecology, environmental economics, social and behavioral science, geographic information systems, and spatial analysis. In particular, we seek nominees with knowledge of: (1) Indicators of ecosystem services; (2) ecosystem services monitoring design; (3) landscape ecology principles, especially as related to ecosystem service indicators and atlas design; and (4) methods to facilitate the integration and interoperability of models to estimate baseline ecosystem services and their response to stressors, including changes in land use, pollutants, and climate change.

# Process and Deadline for Submitting Nominations

Any interested person or organization may nominate individuals qualified in the area of science as described above to be considered for appointment to augment this SAB Committee. Candidates may also nominate themselves. Nominations should be submitted in electronic format (which is preferred over hard copy) following the