

at-risk group of transition-age youth with disabilities. In evaluating the promising practice or practices, the DRRP must use scientifically based research, as defined in section 9101(37) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (20 U.S.C. 7801(37)). Applicants must identify the specific at-risk group or groups of transition-age youth with disabilities they propose to study, provide evidence that the selected population or populations are, in fact, at risk for poor employment outcomes, and explain how the proposed practices are expected to address the needs of the population or populations.

(c) Enhancement of the knowledge base of policy makers, State VR personnel, and personnel of other programs serving transition-age youth with disabilities. The DRRP must contribute to this outcome by conducting targeted dissemination of results from research conducted under paragraphs (a) and (b).

- In addition, through coordination with the NIDRR Project Officer, the DRRP must contribute to this outcome by:

(1) Collaborating with relevant technical assistance grantees from the Rehabilitation Services Administration, such as the Technical Assistance and Continuing Education (TACE) Centers; and

(2) Collaborating with relevant technical assistance grantees from the Office of Special Education Programs, such as the National Secondary Transition Technical Assistance Center.

Types of Priorities:

When inviting applications for a competition using one or more priorities, we designate the type of each priority as absolute, competitive preference, or invitational through a notice in the **Federal Register**. The effect of each type of priority follows: *Absolute priority:* Under an absolute priority, we consider only applications that meet the priority (34 CFR 75.105(c)(3)).

Competitive preference priority: Under a competitive preference priority, we give competitive preference to an application by (1) awarding additional points, depending on the extent to which the application meets the priority (34 CFR 75.105(c)(2)(i)); or (2) selecting an application that meets the priority over an application of comparable merit that does not meet the priority (34 CFR 75.105(c)(2)(ii)).

Invitational priority: Under an invitational priority, we are particularly interested in applications that meet the priority. However, we do not give an application that meets the priority a

preference over other applications (34 CFR 75.105(c)(1)).

Note: This notice does not solicit applications. In any year in which we choose to use this priority, we invite applications through a notice in the **Federal Register**.

Executive Order 12866: This notice has been reviewed in accordance with Executive Order 12866. Under the terms of the order, we have assessed the potential costs and benefits of this regulatory action.

The potential costs associated with this final regulatory action are those resulting from statutory requirements and those we have determined as necessary for administering this program effectively and efficiently.

In assessing the potential costs and benefits—both quantitative and qualitative—of this final regulatory action, we have determined that the benefits of the final priority justify the costs.

Discussion of costs and benefits:

The benefits of the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Programs have been well established over the years in that similar projects have been completed successfully. This final priority will generate new knowledge about transition to employment for youth with disabilities, through research, development, dissemination, utilization, or technical assistance projects.

Another benefit of this final priority is that the establishment of a new DRRP will improve the lives of individuals with disabilities. The new DRRP will generate, disseminate, and promote the use of new information about transition to employment for youth with disabilities. This information will improve the options for youth with disabilities as they transition into adulthood and employment activities.

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Dated: April 27, 2010.

Alexa Posny,

Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

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ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Notice

AGENCY: U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Virtual Public Forum for EAC Standards Board.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, May 17, 2010, 9 a.m. EDT through Tuesday, June 1, 2010, 9 p.m. EDT.

PLACE: EAC Standards Board Virtual Meeting Room at <http://www.eac.gov>. Once at the main page of EAC's Web site, viewers should click the link to the Standards Board Virtual Meeting Room. The virtual meeting room will open on Monday, May 17, 2010, at 9 a.m. EDT and will close on Tuesday, June 1, 2010, at 9 p.m. EDT. The site will be available 24 hours per day during that 16-day period.

PURPOSE: The EAC Standards Board will review and provide comment on three draft chapters of the Election Management Guidelines. The draft chapters contain best practices and recommendations regarding: Accessibility, Elections Office Administration, and Technology in Elections.

The EAC Standards Board Virtual Meeting Room was established to enable the Standards Board to conduct business in an efficient manner in a public forum, including being able to review and discuss draft documents, when it is not feasible for an in-person board meeting. The Standards Board will not take any votes or propose any resolutions during the 16-day forum of May 17–June 1, 2010. Members will post comments about the three draft chapters of the Election Management Guidelines.

This activity is open to the public. The public may view the proceedings of this special forum by visiting the EAC Standards Board Virtual Meeting Room at <http://www.eac.gov> at any time between Monday, May 17, 2010, 9 a.m. EDT and Tuesday, June 1, 2010, 9 p.m.

EDT. The public also may view the three draft chapters of the election management guidelines, which will be posted on EAC's Web site beginning May 17, 2010. The public may file written statements to the EAC Standards Board at standardsboard@eac.gov and by copying Sharmili Edwards at sedwards@eac.gov. Data on EAC'S Web site is accessible to visitors with disabilities and meets the requirements of section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION: Bryan Whitener, Telephone: (202) 566-3100.

Gineen Bresso Beach,

Commissioner, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Electric Transmission Congestion Study

AGENCY: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (OE), Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of 2009 National Electric Transmission Congestion Study and Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (the "Department") gives notice that it has issued a National Electric Transmission Congestion Study (2009 Congestion Study) and is seeking comments on all aspects of the study. The full text of the 2009 Congestion Study is available at <http://www.oe.energy.gov>.

DATES: Written comments may be filed electronically in MS Word and PDF formats. Comments regarding the 2009 Congestion Study should be emailed to congestion09@anl.gov. Comments should be received no later than 5 p.m. EDT June 29, 2010. Also, comments can be filed by mail at the address listed below.

ADDRESSES: Written comments via mail should be submitted to: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, OE-10, Attention: 1221 Comments, U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 6H050, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585.

Note: Delivery of U.S. Postal Service mail sent to the Department continues to be delayed by several weeks due to security screening procedures. Electronic submission of comments is therefore encouraged. Copies of written comments received and other relevant documents and information may be

reviewed at <http://www.congestion09.anl.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Meyer, Office Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, OE-10, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-1411, David.Meyer@hq.doe.gov, or Lot Cooke, Office of General Counsel, GC-76, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-0503, Lot.Cooke@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1221(a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct) directed the Secretary of Energy to conduct periodic nationwide studies of electric transmission congestion. The initial study was to be completed within one year of enactment of the EPAct with subsequent studies every three years thereafter. The American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) further directed the Secretary to include in the 2009 Congestion Study an analysis of significant potential sources of renewable energy that are constrained by lack of adequate transmission capacity. Based on the Congestion Study, and comments concerning it from states and other stakeholders, the Secretary of Energy may designate any geographic area experiencing electric transmission capacity constraints or congestion as a national interest electric transmission corridor (National Corridor).

In August 2006, the Department published its first National Electric Transmission Congestion Study.¹ In 2007, based in part on the findings of that study and after considering the comments of stakeholders, the Secretary designated two National Corridors, one in the Mid-Atlantic area and one covering portions of southern California and western Arizona, reflecting the high impacts of transmission congestion in each area.²

The 2009 Congestion Study has been completed and issued by the Department. The study is available for review at the website listed above. Based on the study, the Department found three classes of congestion areas that merit further federal attention: Critical Congestion Areas, Congestion Areas of Concern, and a Conditional Constrained Area.

The Department stated when it announced the beginning of its work on the 2009 Congestion Study that the study would focus on the identification of existing electric transmission-level congestion based on publicly available

historic information and data related to transmission congestion. The information and data used by DOE in conducting the analysis in the 2009 Congestion Study was that which was available through May 2009. As a result the study does not address the possible impacts of the recent recession on congestion, or any other recent events, reports, or other developments affecting congestion.

The Department is seeking comments from interested persons on the 2009 Congestion Study, and on future steps for identifying and addressing electric transmission congestion, including the possible designation of National Corridors. Commenters may address any aspect of this study they consider appropriate. The Department intends to update, or issue an addendum to, this study in which it may consider the effect of the recession on congestion identified in the study, comments received on this version of the study, and the implications of additional data or information that has become available since May 2009. The Department invites commenters to direct it to data, publications, or other information that they believe relevant to this additional analysis.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 26, 2010.

Patricia A. Hoffman,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Gary E. Hall and Rita Hall; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

April 22, 2010.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations (18 CFR Part 380), Commission staff has reviewed the application for exemption from licensing for the 50-watt Potter Creek Hydroelectric Project, located in Flathead County, Montana, and has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA). The proposed project would be built on private lands owned by the applicant and on 0.51 acres of U.S. Forest Service land in the Flathead National Forest. The EA contains the

¹ See 71 FR 45047 (August 6, 2006).

² See 72 FR 56992 (October 5, 2007).