August 19, 2005, in Order No. EA–182– B. That Order will expire on August 21, 2010. On May 13, 2010, HQUS filed an application with DOE for renewal of the export authority contained in Order No. EA–182–B for an additional five-year term.

The electric energy that HQUS proposes to export to Canada would be surplus energy purchased from electric utilities, Federal power marketing agencies and other entities within the United States. The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by HQUS have previously been authorized by Presidential permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties.

Procedural Matters: Any person desiring to become a party to these proceedings or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment, or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the HQUS application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket No. EA-182-C. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Helene Cossette, Hydro-Quebec Production, 75, boulevard Rene-Levesque West, 17th Floor, Montreal Canada H2Z 1A4 and Jerry L. Pfeffer, Skaden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, 1440 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20005. A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and a determination is made by DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above, by accessing the program Web site at *http:// www.oe.energy.gov/ permits_pending.htm,* or by emailing Odessa Hopkins at Odessa.Hopkins @hq.doe.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Implementing the National Broadband Plan by Empowering Consumers and the Smart Grid: Data Access, Third Party Use, and Privacy

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

SUMMARY: On May 11, 2010, the Department of Energy (DOE) published a Request for Information seeking comments and information from interested parties to assist DOE in understanding current and potential practices and policies for the states and other entities to empower consumers (and perhaps others) through access to detailed energy information in electronic form-including real-time information from smart meters, historical consumption data, and pricing and billing information. DOE will hold a public meeting as part of this request for information.

DATES: The Department will hold a public meeting on June 29, 2010, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Washington, DC. Any person wishing to speak at the public meeting should submit a request to do so before 4 p.m., June 25, 2010. If there are time constraints, those who have submitted a request will be given preference. Written comments are welcome, especially following the public meeting, and should be submitted by July 12, 2010 and reply comments by July 26, 2010. ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 8e069, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. Please note that foreign nationals participating in the public meeting are subject to advance security screening procedures. If a foreign national wishes to participate in the public meeting, please inform DOE of this fact as soon as possible by contacting Katharine Dickerson at 202-586-5281 so that the necessary procedures can be completed.

Interested persons may submit comments, identified by "NBP RFI: Data Access," by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: http:// www.regulations.gov Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

E-mail: broadband@hq.doe.gov. Include "NBP RFI: Data Access" in the subject line of the message.

Mail: U.S. Department of Energy, Office of the General Counsel, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 6A245, Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maureen C. McLaughlin, Senior Legal

Advisor to the General Counsel (202) 586–5281; broadband@hq.doe.gov.

For Media Inquires you may contact Jen Stutsman at 202–586–4940

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 11, 2010, the Department of Energy (DOE) published a Request for Information seeking comments and information from interested parties to assist DOE in understanding current and potential practices and policies for the states and other entities to empower consumers (and perhaps others) through access to detailed energy information in electronic form—including real-time information from smart meters, historical consumption data, and pricing and billing information. (75 FR 26203) The request for information asked interested parties, including industry, consumer groups and state governments, to report on state efforts to enact Smart Grid privacy and data collection policies. The request for information also sought input regarding individual electric utility practices and policies regarding data access and collection; third party access to detailed energy information; and the role of the consumer in balancing the benefits of access and privacy. Finally, the request for information sought comment on what policies and practices should guide policymakers in determining who can access consumers' energy information and under what conditions.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Implementing the National Broadband Plan by Studying the Communications Requirements of Electric Utilities To Inform Federal Smart Grid Policy

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

SUMMARY: On May 11, 2010, the Department of Energy (DOE) published a Request for Information seeking comments and information from interested parties to assist DOE in understanding the communications requirements of utilities. DOE will hold a public meeting as part of this Request for Information.

DATES: The Department will hold a public meeting on June 17, 2010, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Washington, DC. Any person wishing to speak at the public meeting should submit a request to do so before 4 p.m., June 15, 2010.