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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for Issuance of an Incidental Take Permit Associated With a Habitat Conservation Plan for the Beech Ridge Wind Energy Project, Greenbrier and Nicholas Counties, West Virginia; Re-opening and Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; re-opening of comment period; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: In response to substantial public interest and requests to extend the comment period, we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, extend the scoping period on a notice of intent to gather information necessary to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the proposed issuance of an Endangered Species Act (ESA) permit (incidental take permit and associated Habitat Conservation Plan) for the Beech Ridge Wind Energy Project (HCP). Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), we seek suggestions and information from the public on the scope of issues and alternatives to be included in the EIS. Comments previously submitted need not be resubmitted as they have been incorporated into the public record and will be fully considered in the final decision on the permit application.

DATES: The public comment period that closed on August 23, 2010, (75 FR 42767) is reopened and extended until September 23, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Information, written comments, or questions related to the preparation of the EIS and NEPA process should be submitted to Ms. Laura Hill, Assistant Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, West Virginia Field Office, 694 Beverly Pike, Elkins, West Virginia 26241; FAX 304-636-7824; or fw5es_wvfo@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Laura Hill (*See ADDRESSES*) at 304-636-6586, extension 18. Individuals who are hearing-impaired or speech-impaired

may call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8337 for TTY assistance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Comments Solicited

On July 22, 2010, we published in the *Federal Register* (75 FR 42767) a notice of intent to prepare an EIS and a notice of a meeting. On August 9, 2010, we held a public meeting in Rupert, West Virginia, to provide information on the proposed action and to solicit comments and suggestions from the public on the scope of issues and alternatives to be addressed in the draft EIS. The scoping comment period closed on August 23, 2010; however, due to substantial public interest in the proposed action and receipt of requests to extend the comment period, we are hereby reopening and extending the comment period until September 23, 2010.

As stated in the July 22, 2010, *Federal Register* notice, we seek comments, in particular, concerning: (1) Biological information concerning the Indiana bat and Virginia big-eared bat, as well as unlisted bats and birds; (2) relevant data concerning wind power and bat and bird interactions; (3) additional information concerning the range, distribution, population size, and population trends of the Indiana bat and Virginia big-eared bat, as well as unlisted bats and birds; (4) current or planned activities in the subject area and their possible impacts on the environment and resources; (5) the presence of facilities within the project area which are eligible to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places or whether other historical, archeological, or traditional cultural properties may be present; (6) the direct, indirect, and cumulative effects that implementation of any reasonable alternatives could have on endangered and threatened species and their habitats, as well as unlisted bats and birds; (7) adequacy and advisability of proposed minimization and mitigation measures for ESA listed species and other wildlife; (8) post-construction monitoring techniques; and (9) identification of any other environmental issues that we should consider with regard to the proposed development and permit action.

We welcome written comments from interested parties to ensure that the full range of issues related to the permit request is identified. Comments will only be accepted in written form. You may submit written comments by regular mail, electronic mail, or facsimile transmission (*see ADDRESSES*).

All comments and materials we receive, including names and addresses, will become part of the administrative

record and may be released to the public. Comments we receive will be available for public inspection, by appointments, during normal business hours (Monday through Friday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.) at the West Virginia Field Office (*see ADDRESSES*). Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold personally identifying information from public review, we can not guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Background

For background information, please refer to the previous *Federal Register* Notice (75 FR 42767) published on July 22, 2010.

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The primary author of this notice is Laura Hill, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, West Virginia Field Office.

Authority

The authority for this section is the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and National Environmental Policy Act, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*)

Dated: August 23, 2010.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Settlement Agreement Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

Notice is hereby given that on August 24, 2010, a proposed Settlement Agreement in the bankruptcy matter, *In re Chemtura Corp., et al.*, Jointly Administered Case No. 09-11233 (REG), was lodged with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. The Settlement Agreement resolves proofs of claim filed by the United States on behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") against debtor Chemtura Corporation and certain of its affiliates (collectively, "Chemtura") for response costs under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9601–9675, with respect to the following 18 sites: (1) The Beacon Heights Landfill Superfund Site in Connecticut; (2) the Carolawn Superfund Site in South Carolina; (3) the Central Chemical Superfund Site in Maryland; (4) the Cleve Reber Superfund Site in Louisiana; (5) the Cooper Drum Company Superfund Site in California; (6) the Delaware Sand and Gravel Superfund Site in Delaware; (7) the Diamond Alkali Superfund Site in New Jersey; (8) the El Dorado Site in Arkansas; (9) the Halby Chemical Superfund Site in Delaware; (10) the Interstate Lead Company Superfund Site in Alabama; (11) the Jadco Hughes Superfund Site in North Carolina; (12) the Landia Chemical Company Superfund Site in Florida; (13) the LWD Site in Kentucky; (14) the Malone Service Company Superfund Site in Texas; (15) the Red Panther Chemical Company Site in Mississippi; (16) the Stauffer-LeMoyné Superfund Site in Alabama; (17) the Stoney Creek Technologies Site in Pennsylvania; and (18) the Swope Oil Superfund Site in New Jersey.

The Settlement Agreement further resolves: (1) a claim of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration against Chemtura for past assessment costs relating to natural resource damages with respect to the Diamond Alkali Superfund Site; and (2) a claim of EPA against Chemtura for civil penalties with respect to the Bio-Lab Facility in Georgia pursuant to the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q; the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1251–1387; CERCLA; and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act, 42 U.S.C. 11001–11050.

Under the Settlement Agreement, EPA and NOAA collectively will receive allowed general unsecured claims in the bankruptcy totaling \$16,928,038.

The United States will also receive cash payments totaling \$9,119,423, in connection with the following eight sites: (1) The Beacon Heights Superfund Site in Connecticut; (2) the Cleve Reber Superfund Site in Louisiana; (3) the Cooper Drum Superfund Site in California; (4) the Delaware Sand and Gravel Superfund Site in Delaware; (5) the Halby Chemical Superfund Site in Delaware; (6) the Interstate Lead Company Superfund Site in Alabama; (7) the Stauffer-LeMoyné Superfund Site in Alabama; and (8) the Stoney Creek Superfund Site in Pennsylvania.

The Settlement Agreement further requires Chemtura to continue to perform its existing work obligations at one Superfund site, the Laurel Park, Inc. Superfund Site in Connecticut.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of fifteen days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the Settlement Agreement. To be considered, comments must be received by the Department of Justice by the date that is fifteen days from the date of this publication. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and either e-mailed to pubcommentees.enrd@usdoj.gov or mailed to P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044–7611, and should refer to *In re Chemtura Corp., et al.*, D.J. Ref. 90–11–3–09736. Commenters may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with Section 7003(d) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d).

The Settlement Agreement may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, 86 Chambers Street, 3rd Floor, New York, New York 10007, and at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460. During the public comment period, the Settlement Agreement may also be examined on the following Department of Justice Web site, http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/Consent_Decrees.html. Copies of the Settlement Agreement may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044–7611 or by faxing or e-mailing a request to Tonia Fleetwood (tonia.fleetwood@usdoj.gov), fax no. (202) 514–0097, phone confirmation number (202) 514–1547. In requesting a copy from the Consent Decree Library, please enclose a check in the amount of \$10.50 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the U.S. Treasury or, if by e-mail or fax, please forward a check in that amount to the Consent Decree Library at the stated address.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

Notice of Information Collection

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

Notice: (10–095).

ACTION: Notice of information collection.

SUMMARY: The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: All comments should be submitted within 60 calendar days from the date of this publication.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to Lori Parker, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546–0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Lori Parker, NASA Clearance Officer, NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street, SW., JF0000, Washington, DC 20546, (202) 358–1351, Lori.Parker@nasa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

NASA's portfolio of higher education projects aims to educate students, support the research and professional development of faculty and administrators, and enhance research and education capacity at institutions of higher education with the ultimate goal of strengthening the Nation's aerospace and aerospace-related science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) workforce. NASA intends to conduct a multi-staged evaluation of their cumulative investments in these higher education projects. Phase one of this evaluation will collect data on the degree completion and career placement of individuals who previously participated in a NASA project as an undergraduate or graduate student. Data from this collection will be used by NASA to respond to OMB and congressional inquiries, document the education and employment outcomes of NASA's higher education investments, and inform decisions about future project modifications and funding priorities.

II. Method of Collection

Data will be collected by means of a Web-based survey of former students who participated in or applied to NASA's higher education projects and telephone interviews of a sample of these students.