U.S. Forest Service within the Chugach National Forest. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission. The proposed project would consist

of: (1) Either (a) a 2-foot-high by 120foot-long, concrete gravity dam at Grant Lake, or (b) a natural lake outlet, with a 48-inch-diameter pipe extending back into Grant lake, a gate house, regulating gate, controls, and monitoring equipment; (2) Grant Lake, the project reservoir, with a total storage capacity of 15,900 acre-feet and a water surface area of 1,790 acres at full pool elevation of 700 feet above mean seal level; (3) a 3,200-foot-long, 10-foot-diameter horseshoe tunnel; (4) a 72-inchdiameter, 360-foot-long, welded steel penstock; (5) a 200-foot-long open channel tailrace; (6) a 45-foot by 60-foot by 30-foot-high powerhouse containing two horizontal Francis type turbine units totaling 5 megawatts (MW) (1 x 4 MW unit and 1 x 1 MW unit) of generating capacity; and (7) a transmission line consisting of either a 3.5-mile-long, 24.9 kilovolt (kV) transmission line, or a 1-mile-long, 115 kV transmission line, connecting the powerhouse to the City of Seward's or to Chugach Electric's transmission line. The total energy output would be 19,700 megawatthours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Mike Salzetti, Kenai Hydro, LLC, 3977 Lake Street, Homer, AK 99603; phone (907) 283– 2375.

FERC Contact: Kenneth Hogan; phone: (202) 502–8434.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. 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 http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at *http://* www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance,

please contact FERC Online Support at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov* or toll free at 1–(866) 208–3676, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-13212) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: December 29, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Commission Staff Attendance

December 29, 2011.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of the Commission's staff may attend the following meetings related to the transmission planning activities of the PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. (PJM):

Combined PJM Regional Transmission Planning Task Force/PJM Interconnection Process Senior Task Force

January 6, 2012, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m., Local Time.

January 27, 2012, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m., Local Time.

February 17, 2012, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m., Local Time.

March 9, 2012, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m., Local Time.

March 28, 2012, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m., Local Time.

April 20, 2012, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m., Local Time.

Combined PJM Markets and Reliability Committee/Members Committee

January 26, 2012, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Local Time.

The above-referenced meetings will be held at:

The Chase Center on the Riverfront, Wilmington, DE.

The above-referenced meetings are open to stakeholders.

Further information may be found at www.pjm.com. The discussions at the meetings described above may address matters at issue in the following proceedings: Docket No. EL05–121, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. Docket No. ER06-456, ER06-954, ER06-1271, ER07-424, ER06-880, EL07-57, ER07-1186, ER08-229, ER08-1065, ER09–497, and ER10–268, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. Docket No. ER10-253 and EL10-14, Primary Power, L.L.C. Docket No. EL10–52, Central Transmission, LLC v. PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. Docket No. ER11-4070, RITELine Indiana et. al. Docket No. ER11-2875 and EL11-20, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. Docket No. ER08-386 and ER09-1256, Potomac-Appalachian Transmission Highline, L.L.C. Docket No. ER09–1589, FirstEnergy Service Company Docket No. EL11–56, *FirstEnergy* Service Company Docket No. ER11-1844, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. Docket No. EL12–10, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. For more information, contact Jonathan Fernandez, Office of Energy Market Regulation, Federal Energy

Regulatory Commission at (202) 502– 6604 or *jonathan.fernandez@ferc.gov.*

Dated: December 29, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-1016; FRL-9331-5]

Kasugamycin; Receipt of Application for Emergency Exemption for Use on Apples in Michigan, Solicitation of Public Comment

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

SUMMARY: EPA has received a specific exemption request from the Michigan Department of Agriculture to use the pesticide Kasugamycin (CAS No. 6980–18–3) to treat up to 10,000 acres of apples to control fire blight. The applicant proposes the use of a new chemical which has not been registered by the EPA. EPA is soliciting public comment before making the decision whether or not to grant the exemption.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 6, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-1016, by one of the following methods:

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

• *Mail:* Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001.

• *Delivery:* OPP Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. S–4400, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. Deliveries are only accepted during the Docket Facility's normal hours of operation (8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays). Special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305–5805.

Instructions: Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-1016. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the docket without change and may be made available on-line at http://www. *regulations.gov,* including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through regulations.gov or email. The regulations.gov Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA without going through regulations.gov, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the docket index available

at *http://www.regulations.gov.* Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available either in the electronic docket at http://www. *regulations.gov*, or, if only available in hard copy, at the OPP Regulatory Public Docket in Rm. S-4400, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. The hours of operation of this Docket Facility are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Keri Grinstead, Registration Division (7505P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001; telephone number: (703) 308–8373; fax number: (703) 605– 0781; email address: grinstead.keri@epa. gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this action apply to me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer, or pesticide manufacturer. Potentially affected entities may include, but are not limited to:

Crop production (NAICS code 111).
Animal production (NAICS code 112).

• Food manufacturing (NAICS code 311).

• Pesticide manufacturing (NAICS code 32532).

This listing is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed in this unit could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether this action might apply to certain entities. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

B. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA?

1. Submitting CBI. Do not submit this information to EPA through www.regulations.gov or email. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD-ROM that you mail to EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD–ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD-ROM the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

2. Tips for preparing your comments. When submitting comments, remember to:

i. Identify the document by docket ID number and other identifying information (subject heading, **Federal Register** date and page number).

ii. Follow directions. The Agency may ask you to respond to specific questions or organize comments by referencing a Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part or section number.

iii. Explain why you agree or disagree; suggest alternatives and substitute language for your requested changes.

iv. Describe any assumptions and provide any technical information and/ or data that you used.

v. If you estimate potential costs or burdens, explain how you arrived at your estimate in sufficient detail to allow for it to be reproduced.

vi. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns and suggest alternatives.

vii. Explain your views as clearly as possible, avoiding the use of profanity or personal threats.

viii. Make sure to submit your comments by the comment period deadline identified.

3. Environmental justice. EPA seeks to achieve environmental justice, the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of any group, including minority and/or low income populations, in the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. To help address potential environmental justice issues, the Agency seeks information on any groups or segments of the population who, as a result of their location, cultural practices, or other factors, may have atypical or disproportionately high and adverse human health impacts or environmental effects from exposure to the pesticide(s) discussed in this document, compared to the general population.

II. What action is the agency taking?

Under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) (7 U.S.C. 136p), at the discretion of the Administrator, a Federal or State agency may be exempted from any provision of FIFRA if the Administrator determines that emergency conditions exist which require the exemption. Michigan Department of Agriculture has requested the Administrator to issue a specific exemption for the use of kasugamycin on apples to control fire blight. Information in accordance with 40 CFR part 166 was submitted as part of this request.

As part of this request, the applicant asserts that kasugamycin is needed to control streptomycin-resistant strains of *Erwinia amylovora*, the causal pathogen of fire blight, due to the lack of available alternatives and effective control practices.

The Applicant proposes to make no more than three applications of Kasumin 2L on not more than 10,000 acres of apples between April 1 and May 31, 2012 in Berrien, Cass, Grand Traverse, Ionia, Kent, Montcalm, Newaygo, Oceana, Ottawa, and Van Buren counties. As currently proposed, the maximum amount of the product to be applied would be 30,000 gallons.

This notice does not constitute a decision by EPA on the application itself. The regulations governing section 18 of FIFRA require publication of a notice of receipt of an application for a specific exemption proposing use of a new chemical (i.e., an active ingredient) which has not been registered by EPA.

The notice provides an opportunity for public comment on the application.

The Agency, will review and consider all comments received during the comment period in determining whether to issue the specific exemption requested by the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: December 22, 2011.

Lois Rossi,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-9000-9]

Environmental Impacts Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564–1399 or *http://www.epa.gov/ compliance/nepa/.*

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed 12/27/2011 through 12/30/2011 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

Notice

Section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act requires that EPA make public its comments on EISs issued by other Federal agencies. EPA's comment letters on EIS are available at: http://www.epa. gov/compliance/nepa/eisdata.html. EIS No. 20110439, Final EIS, USACE,

- FL, Central and Southern Florida Project, Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan, Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands Phase I Project, To Restore the Natural Hydrology and Ecosystem in an Area Degraded by Drainage Systems and Land Development, Miami-Dade County, FL, Review Period Ends: 02/06/2012, Contact: Brad Tarr (904) 232–3582.
- EIS No. 20110440, Revised Draft EIS, USFS, ID, Idaho Panhandle National Forests, Land Management Plan, Revises the 1987 Forest Plan, Implementation, Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai, Benewah, and Shoshone Counties, ID and Pend Oreille County, WA, Comment Period Ends: 02/21/ 2012, Contact: Mary Farnsworth (208) 765–7223.
- EIS No. 20110441, Revised Draft EIS, USFS, MT, Kootenai National Forest Land Management Plan, Revises the 1987 Forest Plan, Implementation, Lincoln, Sanders, Flathead Counties, MT and Bonner and Boundary Counties, ID, Comment Period Ends: 02/21/2012, Contact: Paul Bradford (406) 293–6211.
- EIS No. 20110443, Final EIS, USFS, VT, Deerfield Wind Project, Updated Information, Application for a Land Use Authorization to Construct and Operate a Wind Energy Facility, Special Use Authorization Permit, Green Mountain National Forest, Bennington County, VT, *Review Period Ends*: 02/06/2012, *Contact*: Bob Bayer (802) 362–2307 ext. 218.

Amended Notices

EIS No. 20110423, Draft EIS, NRC, SC, William States Lee III Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2 Combined Licenses (COLs) Application, Constructing and Operating Two New Nuclear Units at the Lee Nuclear Station Site, NUREG– 2111, Cherokee County, SC, *Comment Period Ends:* 03/06/2012, *Contact:* Sarah Lopas (301) 415–1147. Revision to Notice Published 12/23/2011: Extending Comment Period from 2/6/2012 to 3/6/2012.

EIS No. 20110436, Draft EIS, NOAA, AK, Effects of Oil and Gas Activities in the Arctic Ocean, Beaufort and Chukchi Seas, AK, Comment Period Ends: 02/13/2012, Contact: James H. Lecky (301) 427–8400. Revision to Notice Published 12/30/11: Agency Contact Phone Number changed to (301) 427–8400.

Dated: January 3, 2012.

Cliff Rader,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9616-3]

National Environmental Justice Advisory Council; Request for Nominations

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites nominations from a diverse range of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment to its National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC). The NEJAC was chartered to provide advice regarding broad, crosscutting issues related to environmental justice. This notice solicits nominations to fill eight (8) new vacancies through June 15, 2015. To maintain the representation outlined by the charter, nominees will be selected to represent: Academia (1 vacancy); Business and industry (two vacancies); grassroots Community-based organizations (1 vacancy); Nongovernmental/environmental organizations (1 vacancy); State and local government agencies (two vacancies); and Tribal governments (1 vacancy). Vacancies are anticipated to be filled by May 2012. Sources in addition to this Federal Register notice also may be utilized in the solicitation of nominees.

DATES: Nominations should be submitted in time to arrive no later than January 25, 2012.