

recommending the float-in-place plan for construction of the lock, the hydraulic dredging method for excavation of sediment from the canal, and a dredged material disposal plan that included three locations for disposal of excavated sediments.

In 2010, the Corps' decision to construct a new lock was again challenged in United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana in a case that was subsequently consolidated with the 2003 case. On September 9, 2011, the Court found that the 2009 SEIS failed to sufficiently consider the impact of the closure of the MRGO to deep-draft traffic and the effect of that closure on the depth of the new lock and potentially how that depth may affect dredging and disposal alternatives for the Project.

2. Proposed Action. The purpose of the General Reevaluation Report and SEIS is to determine if construction of a more efficient navigational lock to replace the existing lock is economically justified and environmentally acceptable. The need for the Project arises from long navigation delays in passage through the Industrial Canal due to an increase in volume of vessel traffic and the small size and inefficiencies of the current lock. This supplemental EIS will evaluate (and/or reevaluate, as appropriate) existing conditions, alternative lock designs, and provide environmental analysis of anticipated project impacts associated with lock construction, dredging and disposal alternatives. The analyses associated with the handling of dredged material generated during project construction, the engineering design of confined disposal areas, and several other aspects of the Project, evaluated in the original 1998 EIS and the 2009 SEIS, will also be updated as appropriate.

3. Alternatives. An evaluation of alternatives, including a no action alternative will be included. In this supplemental EIS, the no action alternative will be the continued operation and maintenance of the existing lock. Other alternatives will be determined through scoping, but are anticipated to include shallow-draft versus deep-draft lock alternatives. Previous evaluations of alternative dredging methods, dredged material handling and disposal alternatives, and construction of the lock by a cast-in-place method versus a float-in construction method evaluated in the 1998 EIS and 2009 SEIS will also be updated and/or re-evaluated as appropriate.

4. Scoping. The Council on Environmental Quality regulations at 40 CFR 1501.7 require an early and open

process for determining the scope of an EIS and for identifying significant issues related to the proposed action. The public will be involved in the scoping and evaluation process through advertisements, notices, and other means. Federal, state and local agencies, and other interested groups will also be involved. Meetings to address discrete issues or parts or functions of the Project may be held. All parties are invited to participate in the scoping process by identifying any additional concerns on issues, studies needed, alternatives, procedures, and other matters related to the scope of this supplemental EIS.

A. The Corps will provide additional notification of the public scoping meeting time and location through newspaper advertisements and other means (see **DATES**). Following a short presentation, verbal and written comments on the scope of this supplemental EIS will be accepted. A transcript of verbal comments will be generated to ensure accuracy.

B. Issues. Issues identified for the Project include, but are not limited to the level of existing and forecasted vessel traffic through the existing lock, changes in socio-economics (*i.e.*, property values, population, land use, public/community facilities and services) since the 2009 SEIS, evaluation of direct and indirect social and cultural impacts of the Project on certain Congressionally identified affected communities and the appropriate and practicable mitigation measures to address those impacts, lock construction methods (*i.e.*, cast-in-place versus float-in), lock depth, and re-evaluation of reasonable dredging and disposal alternatives and associated impacts. This list is preliminary and is intended to facilitate public comment on the scope of the SEIS. Concurrent with the NEPA process, the Corps will ensure that compliance will be achieved and/or maintained with all applicable environmental laws, regulations, and executive orders governing issues such as Federally-listed threatened and endangered species, essential fish habitats, health and safety, general environmental concerns, wetlands and other aquatic resources, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, navigation, recreation, water quality, and environmental justice. In making its decision, the Corps will consider, in general, the needs and welfare of the community, the effect of the closure of the MRGO on existing conditions and the alternatives under evaluation, and other issues identified through scoping, public involvement, stakeholder views, and interagency

coordination. The Corps expects to better define the issues of concern and define the methods that will be used to evaluate those issues through the scoping process.

C. Environmental Review and Consultation. The proposed action will involve an evaluation for compliance with all applicable guidelines pursuant to section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act. This review will involve a detailed reevaluation of all practicable alternatives to the handling and disposal of the dredged material generated from the Project. The Corps will provide extensive information on the resources to be impacted, mitigation measures, and alternatives. Although the Corps does not plan to invite any Federal agencies to be cooperating agencies, we expect to receive input and critical information from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other Federal, state, and local agencies.

5. Public Scoping Meeting Special Accommodations. The public scoping meeting place is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mark Lahare, (504) 862-1344 (voice), or email at Mark.h.lahare@usace.army.mil, at least 5 business days prior to the meeting date.

6. Estimated Date of Availability. It is estimated that this draft supplemental EIS will be available to the public in June 2016. At least one public hearing will be held at that time, during which the public will be provided the opportunity to comment on the draft supplemental EIS before it becomes final.

Dated: January 20, 2015.

Richard L. Hansen,

Colonel, U.S. Army, District Commander.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Commission To Review the Effectiveness of the National Energy Laboratories

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Commission to Review the Effectiveness of the National Energy Laboratories (Commission). The Commission was created pursuant section 319 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014, Public Law 113-76, and in accordance with the

provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. 2. This notice is provided in accordance with the Act.

DATES: Tuesday, February 24, 2015 10:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Hilton at Mark Center, Birch Conference Room, 5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22311.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karen Gibson, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585; telephone (202) 586-3787; email at: crenel@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Commission was established to provide advice to the Secretary on the Department's national laboratories. The Commission will review the DOE national laboratories for alignment with the Department's strategic priorities, clear and balanced missions, unique capabilities to meet current energy and national security challenges, appropriate size to meet the Department's energy and national security missions, and support of other Federal agencies. The Commission will also look for opportunities to more effectively and efficiently use the capabilities of the national laboratories and review the use of laboratory directed research and development (LDRD) to meet the Department's science, energy, and national security goals.

Purpose of the Meeting: This meeting is the sixth meeting of the Commission.

Tentative Agenda: The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. on February 24. The tentative meeting agenda includes discussion on the Commission's Upcoming Interim Report and DOE Laboratory Operations and Efficiencies. Key presenters will address and discuss these topics with comments from the public. The meeting will conclude at 3:30 p.m. The agenda along with possible schedule adjustments will be posted when finalized and in advance of the meeting on the Lab Commission Web site (<http://energy.gov/labcommission/commission-review-effectiveness-national-energy-laboratories>).

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Individuals who would like to attend must RSVP to Karen Gibson no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2015 at email: crenel@hq.doe.gov. Please provide your name, organization, and contact information. Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions may do so at the end of the meeting. Approximately 30 minutes will

be reserved for public comments. Time allotted per speaker will depend on the number who wish to speak but will not exceed five minutes. The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Those wishing to speak should register to do so beginning at 10:00 a.m. on February 24.

Those not able to attend the meeting or who have insufficient time to address the committee are invited to send a written statement to Karen Gibson, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington DC 20585, or to email at: crenel@hq.doe.gov.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available on the Commission Web site at: <http://energy.gov/labcommission>.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 23, 2015.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #2

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER11-2909-000.

Applicants: Atlantic Path 15, LLC.

Description: eTariff filing per 35.19a(b); EL11-29-004 and ER12-1224-001 to be effective N/A.

Filed Date: 1/22/15.

Accession Number: 20150122-5065.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/12/15.

Docket Numbers: ER14-2658-002.

Applicants: NV Energy, Inc.

Description: Compliance filing per 35: OATT Order No. 792 Compliance Filing—Revision to Attachment O to be effective 8/4/2014.

Filed Date: 1/22/15.

Accession Number: 20150122-5127.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/12/15.

Docket Numbers: ER15-745-000.

Applicants: AM Commodities Corporation.

Description: Amendment to December 29, 2014 AM Commodities Corporation tariff filing.

Filed Date: 1/22/15.

Accession Number: 20150122-5134.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/2/15.

Docket Numbers: ER15-890-000.

Applicants: Twin Cities Power, LLC.

Description: Tariff Withdrawal per 35.15: Notice of Cancellation to be effective 3/23/2015.

Filed Date: 1/22/15.

Accession Number: 20150122-5076.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/12/15.

Docket Numbers: ER15-891-000.

Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: § 205(d) rate filing per 35.13(a)(2)(iii): Service Agreement No. 4078; Queue No. Z1-113 to be effective 12/23/2014.

Filed Date: 1/22/15.

Accession Number: 20150122-5077.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/12/15.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: January 22, 2015.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

Docket Numbers: EC15-62-000.

Applicants: Roth Rock Wind Farm, LLC, Roth Rock North Wind Farm, LLC.

Description: Application for Authorization under Section 203 of the Federal Power Act and Request for Waivers, Confidential Treatment, and Expedited Consideration of Roth Rock Wind Farm, LLC and Roth Rock North Wind Farm, LLC.

Filed Date: 1/21/15.

Accession Number: 20150121-5255.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 2/11/15.