

(42 U.S.C. 7151(b), 7172(f)) and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. § 824a(e)).

On January 14, 2015, DOE received an application from Del Norte for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico as a power marketer for a five-year term using existing international transmission facilities. The Applicant is also requesting an expedited review of the Application and for DOE to issue the requested authorization no later than and effective February 28, 2015.

In its application, Del Norte states that it does not own or control any electric generation or transmission facilities, and it does not have a franchised service area. The electric energy that Del Norte proposes to export to Mexico would be surplus energy purchased from third parties such as electric utilities and Federal power marketing agencies pursuant to voluntary agreements.

Procedural Matters: Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the application at the address provided above. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to these proceedings should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214). Five copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to the address provided above on or before the date listed above.

Comments on Del Norte's application to export electric energy to Mexico should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-405. An additional copy is to be provided directly to Sergio Julian Carrasco Astorga, Del Norte Energy LLC, 163 Humphrey Street, New Haven, CT 06511 and to Daniel E. Frank, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, 700 Sixth Street NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE's National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after a determination is made by DOE that the proposed action will not have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available by request to the addresses provided above or by accessing the program Web site at <http://energy.gov/node/11845>.

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Brian Mills,

Director, Permitting and Siting, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology

AGENCY: Department of Energy, Office of Science.

ACTION: Notice of closed meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST). Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2.

DATES: October 23, 2014.

ADDRESSES: The meeting was held at the White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions about the meeting should be directed to Dr. Ashley Predith at apredith@ostp.eop.gov, (202) 456-4444.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) is an advisory group of the nation's leading scientists and engineers, appointed by the President to augment the science and technology advice available to him from inside the White House, cabinet departments, and other Federal agencies. See the Executive Order at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/ostp/pcast>. PCAST is consulted about and provides analyses and recommendations concerning a wide range of issues where understandings from the domains of science, technology, and innovation may bear on the policy choices before the President. PCAST is co-chaired by Dr. John P. Holdren, Assistant to the President for Science and Technology, and Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, The White House; and Dr. Eric S. Lander, President, Broad Institute of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Schedule and Agenda: The President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) met with the President of the United States from 1:45-2:45 p.m. ET on October 23, 2014 at the White House. The location was chosen for the President's scheduling convenience and to maintain

Secret Service protection. This meeting was planned and held on short notice due to the urgency of the topic and a **Federal Register** Notice could not be published before the meeting. PCAST has the authority to hold closed meetings with the President.

Public Comments: It is the policy of the PCAST to accept written public comments of any length, and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. Written comments are accepted continuously. Information regarding how to submit comments and documents to PCAST is available at <http://whitehouse.gov/ostp/pcast> in the section entitled "Connect with PCAST."

Please note that because PCAST operates under the provisions of FACA, all public comments will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection, including being posted on the PCAST Web site.

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LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Paducah

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Paducah. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, February 19, 2015, 6:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Barkley Centre, 111 Memorial Drive, Paducah, Kentucky 42001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Woodard, Deputy Designated Federal Officer, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, 1017 Majestic Drive, Suite 200, Lexington, Kentucky 40513, (270) 441-6820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE-EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management and related activities.

Tentative Agenda:

- Call to Order, Introductions, Review of Agenda
- Administrative Issues
- Public Comments (15 minutes)
- Adjourn

Breaks Taken As Appropriate.

Public Participation: The EM SSAB, Paducah, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Jennifer Woodard as soon as possible in advance of the meeting at the telephone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Jennifer Woodard at the telephone number listed above. Requests must be received as soon as possible prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments. The EM SSAB, Paducah, will hear public comments pertaining to its scope (clean-up standards and environmental restoration; waste management and disposition; stabilization and disposition of non-stockpile nuclear materials; excess facilities; future land use and long-term stewardship; risk assessment and management; and clean-up science and technology activities). Comments outside of the scope may be submitted via written statement as directed above.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Jennifer Woodard at the address and phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://www.pgdpca.energy.gov/2014Meetings.html>.

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LaTanya R. Butler,
Deputy Committee Management Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (BESAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES:

Thursday, February 26, 2015 8:00 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Friday, February 27, 2015 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

ADDRESSES: Bethesda North Hotel and Conference Center, 5701 Marinelli Road, Bethesda, MD 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Katie Perine, Office of Basic Energy Sciences; U.S. Department of Energy; SC-22/Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290; Telephone: (301) 903-6529.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of this Board is to make recommendation to DOE-SC with respect to the basic energy sciences research program.

Tentative Agenda:

- Annual Ethics Briefing (BESAC Members Only)
- Call to Order, Introductions, Review of the Agenda
- News from the Office of Science (Budget)
- News from the Office of Basic Energy Sciences (Budget)
- Report by the BESAC Subcommittee on Transformational Opportunities
- NSLS-II Update
- BES Nanocenters Update
- Committee of Visitors for the Materials Sciences and Engineering Division
- Public Comments
- Adjourn

Breaks Taken As Appropriate

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Katie Perine at (301) 903-6594 (fax) or katie.perine@science.doe.gov (email). Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days by contacting Ms. Perine at the address listed above.

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LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Science, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee (BERAC). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Thursday, February 26, 2015, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Friday, February 27, 2015, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Sheraton Tysons Hotel, 8661 Leesburg Pike, Tysons, VA 22182.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Michael Kuperberg, Designated Federal Officer, BERAC, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, Office of Biological and Environmental Research, SC-23/Germantown Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-1290. Phone 301-903-3511; fax (301) 903-5051 or email: michael.kuperberg@science.doe.gov. The most current information concerning this meeting can be found on the Web site: <http://science.energy.gov/ber/berac/meetings/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: To provide advice on a continuing basis to the Director, Office of Science of the Department of Energy, on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the Biological and Environmental Research Program.

Tentative Agenda Topics:

- Report from the Office of Science
- Report from the Office of Biological and Environmental Research
- News from the Biological Systems Science and Climate and Environmental Sciences Divisions
- Response to the Biological Systems Science Division Committee of Visitors Report
- Climate and Environmental Sciences Division data activities
- Climate modeling update
- Integrated Field Laboratory workshop report and discussion