

be submitted to the DFO for the Committee, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

Dated: March 17, 2016.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD-2016-HQ-0023]

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS), DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the DFAS announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 23, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

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

- *Mail:* Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Chief Management Officer, Directorate of Oversight and Compliance, Regulatory and Audit Matters Office, 9010 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-9010.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are

received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at <http://www.regulations.gov> for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service; Office of Financial Operations; Retired and Annuitant Pay Quality Product Assurance Division ATTN: Chuck Moss, Cleveland, OH 44199-2001, or call at (216) 204-4426.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Certificate of Eligibility for Retired Members; DD Form 2892; OMB Control Number 0730-XXXX.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement is necessary to determine the continuing eligibility of a retired pay recipient.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 100 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 400.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 400.

*Average Burden per Response:* 15 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

Verification of retired pay continuing eligibility is necessary due to suspected death, whereabouts unknown, or other circumstances.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### National Coal Council

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meetings.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a meeting of the National Coal Council (NCC). 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:** Wednesday, April 20, 2016, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Hamilton Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1001 14th Street NW., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Daniel Matuszak, U.S. Department of Energy, 4G-036/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0001; Telephone: 202-287-6915.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Purpose of the Council:* The National Coal Council provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy, on general policy matters relating to coal and the coal industry.

*Purpose of Meeting:* The 2016 Spring Meeting of the National Coal Council.

#### Agenda:

1. Call to order and opening remarks by Mike Durham, Chair, National Coal Council
2. Remarks by The Honorable Dr. Ernest Moniz, Secretary, U.S. Department of Energy
3. Presentation by Robert Purgert, President, Energy Industries of Ohio and Jeffrey Phillips, Senior Program Manager, EPRI on Advanced Ultra Supercritical Technology
4. Presentation by Dr. Alfred Brown, CEO, ION Engineering on Redefining Carbon Capture
5. Presentation by John Schultes, CEO, New Steel International on Iron + Power + Steel
6. Presentation by Kipp Coddington, Director, Carbon Management Institute, University of Wyoming on Carbon Engineering: Converting Coal to High-Value Carbon Products and Chemicals
7. Council Business:
  - a. Finance Report by Finance Committee Chair Greg Workman
  - b. Coal Policy Committee Report by Coal Policy Committee Chair Deck Slone
  - c. Communications Committee Report by Communications Committee Chair Dawn Santoianni
  - d. NCC Business Report by NCC CEO Janet Gellici
8. Other Business
9. Adjourn

Attendees are requested to register in advance for the meeting at: <https://www.etchouches.com/157761>.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Council, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any item on the agenda, you should contact Daniel Matuszak, 202-287-6915 or [daniel.matuszak@hq.doe.gov](mailto:daniel.matuszak@hq.doe.gov) (email).

You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include oral statements on the scheduled agenda. The Chairperson of the Council will lead the meeting in a manner that facilitates the orderly conduct of business. Oral statements are limited to 10-minutes per organization and per person.

*Minutes:* A link to the transcript of the meeting will be posted on the NCC Web site at: <http://www.nationalcoalcouncil.org/>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB)

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of open teleconference.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a teleconference call of the State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB). 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, April 21, 2016 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (EDT). To receive the call-in number and passcode, please contact the Board's Designated Federal Officer at the address or phone number listed below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Li, Policy Advisor, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585. Phone number 202-287-5718, and email [michael.li@ee.doe.gov](mailto:michael.li@ee.doe.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose of the Board:* To make recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives, programmatic and administrative policies, and to otherwise carry out the Board's responsibilities as designated in the State Energy Efficiency Programs Improvement Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-440).

*Tentative Agenda:* Receive STEAB Task Force updates on action items and revised objectives for FY 2016, discuss follow-up opportunities and engagement with EERE and other DOE

staff as needed to keep Task Force work moving forward, continue engagement with DOE, EERE and EPSA staff regarding energy efficiency and renewable energy projects and initiatives, and receive updates on member activities within their states. Recap March meeting and follow-up on action items from that meeting.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Michael Li at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests to make oral comments must be received five days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include requested topic(s) on the agenda. The Chair of the Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

*Minutes:* The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying within 60 days on the STEAB Web site at: <http://www.energy.gov/eere/steab/state-energy-advisory-board>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

#### Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Representative Average Unit Costs of Energy

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is forecasting the representative average unit costs of five residential energy sources for the year 2016 pursuant to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act. The five sources are electricity, natural gas, No. 2 heating oil, propane, and kerosene.

**DATES:** The representative average unit costs of energy contained in this notice will become effective April 22, 2016 and will remain in effect until further notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Cymbalsky, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Forrestal

Building, Mail Station EE-5B, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121, (202) 287-1692, [Rep\\_Average\\_Unit\\_Costs@ee.doe.gov](mailto:Rep_Average_Unit_Costs@ee.doe.gov).

Francine Pinto, Esq. U.S. Department of Energy, Office of General Counsel Forrestal Building, Mail Station GC-33, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0103, (202) 586-7432, [Francine.Pinto@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Francine.Pinto@hq.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 323 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Act) requires that DOE prescribe test procedures for the measurement of the estimated annual operating costs or other measures of energy consumption for certain consumer products specified in the Act. (42 U.S.C. 6293(b)(3)) These test procedures are found in Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 430, subpart B.

Section 323(b)(3) of the Act requires that the estimated annual operating costs of a covered product be calculated from measurements of energy use in a representative average use cycle or period of use and from representative average unit costs of the energy needed to operate such product during such cycle. (42 U.S.C. 6293(b)(3)) The section further requires that DOE provide information to manufacturers regarding the representative average unit costs of energy. (42 U.S.C. 6293(b)(4)) This cost information should be used by manufacturers to meet their obligations under section 323(c) of the Act. Most notably, these costs are used to comply with Federal Trade Commission (FTC) requirements for labeling. Manufacturers are required to use the revised DOE representative average unit costs when the FTC publishes new ranges of comparability for specific covered products, 16 CFR part 305. Interested parties can also find information covering the FTC labeling requirements at <http://www.ftc.gov/appliances>.

DOE last published representative average unit costs of residential energy in a **Federal Register** notice entitled, "Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Representative Average Unit Costs of Energy", dated August 27, 2015, 80 FR 52039.

On April 22, 2016, the cost figures published in this notice will become effective and supersede those cost figures published on August 27, 2015. The cost figures set forth in this notice will be effective until further notice.

DOE's Energy Information Administration (EIA) has developed the 2016 representative average unit after-