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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

- Call to Order, Introductions, Review of the Agenda
- News from the Office of Science
- News from the Office of Basic Energy Sciences
- Report by the BESAC Subcommittee on Facility Upgrade Prioritization
- Scientific User Facilities Division Committee of Visitors Report
- Energy Frontier Research Centers/ Hubs Committee of Visitors Update
- 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 Runkles at 301-903-6594 (fax) or katie.runkles@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 at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; 1E-190, Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585; between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 5, 2016.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Fossil Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-

463, 86 Stat.770) requires that notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, June 8, 2016.

8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. (EDT)—

Registration

9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (EDT)—Meeting

ADDRESSES: U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 3E-069, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lou Capitanio, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Oil and Natural Gas, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585. *Phone:* (202) 586-5098.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: The purpose of the Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee is to provide advice on potential applications of methane hydrate to the Secretary of Energy, and assist in developing recommendations and priorities for the Department of Energy's Methane Hydrate Research and Development Program.

Tentative Agenda: The agenda will include: Welcome and Introduction by the Designated Federal Officer; Committee Business including election of Committee Chair; Review of Secretary's Energy Advisory Board Report on the Methane Hydrate Program; Update on International Activity; FY 2016 Methane Hydrate Program Activities and Plans; Methane Hydrate Program Budget; Methane Hydrate Program Strategic Direction; Advisory Committee Discussion; and Public Comments, if any.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Designated Federal Officer and the Chair of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. 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 Lou Capitanio at the phone number listed above. You must make your request for an oral statement at least five business days prior to the meeting, and reasonable provisions will be made to include the presentation on the agenda. Public comment will follow the three-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 60 days at the following Web site: <http://energy.gov/fe/services/advisory-committees/methane-hydrate-advisory-committee>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on May 5, 2016.

LaTanya R. Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and Request for OMB Review and Comment.

SUMMARY: The EIA has submitted an information collection request to the OMB for extension under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection requests a three-year extension of its Petroleum Supply Reporting System, OMB Control Number 1905-0165. The proposed collection will produce data used in statistical analytical reports as well as forecasts produced by the U.S. Energy Information Administration. Reports and forecasts are essential to accomplish the agency's mission to promote sound policy making, efficient markets, and public understanding of energy and its interactions with the economy and the environment. Users of the data include government officials, industry and financial analysts, and the public. EIA proposes one change to Form EIA-812, Form EIA-813, and Form EIA-803 and no other changes to:

- Form EIA-22M, "Monthly Biodiesel Production Survey"
- Form EIA-800, "Weekly Refinery and Fractionator Report"
- Form EIA-802, "Weekly Product Pipeline Report"
- Form EIA-803, "Weekly Crude Oil Stocks Report"
- Form EIA-804, "Weekly Imports Report"
- Form EIA-805, "Weekly Bulk Terminal and Blender Report"
- Form EIA-809, "Weekly Oxygenate Report"
- Form EIA-810, "Monthly Refinery Report"
- Form EIA-812, "Monthly Product Pipeline Report" (proposed change)
- Form EIA-813, "Monthly Crude Oil Report"
- Form EIA-814, "Monthly Imports Report"
- Form EIA-815, "Monthly Bulk Terminal and Blender Report"
- Form EIA-816, "Monthly Natural Gas Plant Liquids Report"

- Form EIA-817, "Monthly Tanker and Barge Movement Report"
- Form EIA-819, "Monthly Oxygenate Report"
- Form EIA-820, "Annual Refinery Report."

EIA proposes to discontinue biannually collecting information on Form EIA-812 on petroleum product tank storage capacity and related biannual separate reporting of stocks held in those tanks and to discontinue collection of crude oil lease stocks on Form EIA-813 and Form EIA-803. EIA currently uses Parts 5, 6, and 7 of Form EIA-812 to collect petroleum product storage capacity and related stock data in those tanks from pipeline companies twice a year (as of March 31 and September 30). Collecting biannual tank storage capacity and related stocks in those tanks by product pipelines did not provide useful information for assessing available petroleum supplies. Product pipeline inventories held in tanks are used for operational purposes, not commercial purposes. EIA will still collect pipeline linefill stocks along with stocks and biannual storage capacity data for petroleum products held at terminals and refineries. Discontinuing the biannual collection of storage capacity and related tank stocks on Form EIA-812 will eliminate confusion in analyzing storage capacity utilization, stock levels, improve the quality of petroleum storage data and reduce reporting burden on this form.

EIA will discontinue collecting lease inventories on Form EIA-813, "Monthly Crude Oil Report" and Form EIA-803, "Weekly Crude Oil Stocks Report." Lease inventories are inventories stored at crude oil production sites. The purpose of stocks held on oil and gas producing leases (lease stocks) is to facilitate oil and gas production operations. Lease stocks are typically held only long enough for oil to be picked up by trucks or otherwise removed from production sites. While the total number of barrels held as lease stocks is significant, the barrels are widely dispersed at producing sites with only small quantities at any given location. For these reasons, we have determined that continued tracking of lease stocks on Form EIA-803 and Form EIA-813 has limited value for assessment of crude oil supplies available to markets. In addition, our research has shown that some or all of the barrels reported by respondents as lease stocks are actually outside of the U.S. and regional crude oil balances developed by EIA. This affects estimates that are calculated to assess supply because barrels may be recorded as

crude oil production, which is the first supply component of our balance, only after the barrels are withdrawn from lease stocks. EIA will create and publish historical data series of crude oil stocks excluding lease stocks in order to meet analyst requirements for crude oil inventory data that are consistent over time.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before June 10, 2016. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the DOE Desk Officer at OMB of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at 202-395-4718.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, and to Robert Merriam, robert.merriam@eia.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Robert Merriam, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585. The forms and instructions are available on EIA's Web site at: <http://www.eia.gov/survey/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No. 1905-0165; (2) Information Collection Request Title: Petroleum Supply Reporting System; (3) Type of Request: Three year extension; (4) Purpose: The Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974 (15 U.S.C. 761 *et seq.*) and the DOE Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*) require the EIA to carry out a centralized, comprehensive, and unified energy information program. This program collects, evaluates, assembles, analyzes, and disseminates information on energy resource reserves, production, demand, technology, and related economic and statistical information. This information is used to assess the adequacy of energy resources to meet near and longer term domestic demands and to promote sound policymaking, efficient markets, and public understanding of energy and its interaction with the economy and the environment.

The EIA, as part of its effort to comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*), provides the general public and other Federal agencies with opportunities to comment on collections of energy information

conducted by or in conjunction with the EIA.

The weekly petroleum supply surveys (Forms EIA-800, EIA-802, EIA-803, EIA-804, EIA-805 and EIA-809) are designed to provide an early, initial estimate of weekly petroleum refinery and fractionator operations, inventory levels, and imports of selected petroleum products in a timely manner. The information appears in the publications listed below and is also available electronically on EIA's Web site at <http://www.eia.doe.gov/>.

Publications: Internet only publications are the Weekly Petroleum Status Report (<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/supply/weekly/>), Short-Term Energy Outlook (<http://www.eia.gov/forecasts/steo/>), and This Week in Petroleum (<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/weekly/>).

The monthly petroleum supply surveys (Forms EIA-22M, EIA-810, EIA-812, EIA-813, EIA-814, EIA-815, EIA-816, EIA-817, and EIA-819) are designed to provide statistically reliable and comprehensive monthly information to EIA, other Federal agencies, and the private sector for use in forecasting, policy making, planning, and analysis activities. The information appears in the publications listed below and is also available electronically on EIA's Web site at <http://www.eia.doe.gov/>.

Publications: Internet only publications are the Petroleum Supply Monthly (<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/supply/monthly/>), Company-Level Imports (<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/imports/companylevel/>), the Petroleum Supply Annual, Volume 1 (<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/supply/annual/volume1/>), the Annual Energy Outlook (<http://www.eia.gov/forecasts/aeo/index.cfm>); and the Monthly Biodiesel Production Report (<http://www.eia.gov/biofuels/biodiesel/production/>).

The annual refinery survey (Form EIA-820) provides data on refinery capacities, fuels consumed, natural gas consumed as hydrogen feedstock, and crude oil receipts by method of transportation, for operating and idle petroleum refineries (including new refineries under construction), and refineries shutdown during the previous year. The information appears in the Refinery Capacity Report (<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/refinerycapacity/>) and the Refinery Outage Report (<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/refinery/outage/>).

Please refer to the proposed forms and instructions for more information about the purpose, who must report, when to report, where to submit, the elements to

be reported, detailed instructions, provisions for confidentiality, and uses (including possible nonstatistical uses) of the information. For instructions on obtaining materials, see the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. (5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,472; (6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 101,833; (7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 211,257; (8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: \$6,100,000. The cost of the burden hours is estimated to be \$15,214,729 (211,257 burden hours times \$72.02 per hour). Other than the cost of burden hours, EIA estimates that there are no additional costs for generating, maintaining and providing the information.

Statutory Authority: Section 13(b) of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974, Public Law 93-275, codified at 15 U.S.C. 772(b).

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Nanda Srinivasan,

Director, Office of Survey Development and Statistical Integration, U. S. Energy Information Administration.

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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: ER16-1021-001.

Applicants: Arizona Public Service Company.

Description: Compliance filing: Service Agreement Nos. 338 and 339 to be effective 2/10/2016.

Filed Date: 5/5/16.

Accession Number: 20160505-5190.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 5/26/16.

Docket Numbers: ER16-1397-001.

Applicants: Southern California Edison Company.

Description: Tariff Amendment: Resubmit Two Amended DSA's w/ SunEdison Utility Solutions, LLC to be effective 1/1/2016.

Filed Date: 5/5/16.

Accession Number: 20160505-5158.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 5/26/16.

Docket Numbers: ER16-1454-001.

Applicants: Southern California Edison Company.

Description: Tariff Amendment: Resubmit Amended DSA w/SCE's Power Production Department to be effective 1/1/2016.

Filed Date: 5/5/16.

Accession Number: 20160505-5162.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 5/26/16.

Docket Numbers: ER16-1625-000.

Applicants: AEP Texas Central Company.

Description: Section 205(d) Rate Filing: TCC-Rio Grande EC IA First Amended and Restated to be effective 4/13/2016.

Filed Date: 5/5/16.

Accession Number: 20160505-5141.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 5/26/16.

Docket Numbers: ER16-1626-000.

Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: Section 205(d) Rate Filing: Service Agreement Nos. 4451, Queue Position AA1-063A to be effective 4/5/2016.

Filed Date: 5/5/16.

Accession Number: 20160505-5171.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 5/26/16.

Docket Numbers: ER16-1627-000.

Applicants: New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

Description: Section 205(d) Rate Filing: 205—Rules to Allocate Responsibility for the Cost of New Interconnection to be effective 7/5/2016.

Filed Date: 5/5/16.

Accession Number: 20160505-5189.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 5/26/16.

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: May 5, 2016.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2768-010]

The City of Holyoke Gas & Electric Department; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, and Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process

a. Type of Filing: Notice of Intent To File License Application and Request To Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. Project No.: 2768-010.

c. Date Filed: February 29, 2016.

d. Submitted By: City of Holyoke Gas & Electric Department.

e. Name of Project: Albion Mill (A Wheel) Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: Between the first and second level canals on the Holyoke Canal System adjacent to the Connecticut River, in the city of Holyoke in Hampden County, Massachusetts. The project does not occupy federal land.

g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations.

h. Potential Applicant Contact: Paul Ducheny, Superintendent, Holyoke Gas & Electric, 99 Suffolk Street, Holyoke, MA 01040; (413) 536-9340; email—ducheney@hged.com.

i. FERC Contact: Matt Buhyoff at (202) 502-6824; or email at matt.buhyoff@ferc.gov.

j. Holyoke Gas and Electric filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on February 29, 2016. Holyoke Gas and Electric provided public notice of its request on February 26, 2016. In a letter dated April 29, 2016, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Holyoke Gas and Electric's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.

k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR part 402; and NOAA Fisheries under section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920. We are also initiating consultation with the Massachusetts State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historical Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.