

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 Barbara Ulmer at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral presentations pertaining to agenda items should contact Barbara Ulmer at the telephone number listed above. The request must be received five days 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 can do so during the 15 minutes allotted for public comments.

*Minutes:* Minutes will be available by writing to Barbara Ulmer at the address listed above or at the following website: [http://www.nnss.gov/NSSAB/pages/MM\\_FY18.html](http://www.nnss.gov/NSSAB/pages/MM_FY18.html).

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**Latanya Butler,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF 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 2018 pursuant to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (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 May 24, 2018 and will remain in effect until further notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 323 of the Energy Policy and Conservation 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 May 5, 2017, 82 FR 21213.

On May 24, 2018, the cost figures published in this notice will become effective and supersede those cost figures published on May 5, 2017. The cost figures set forth in this notice will be effective until further notice.

DOE’s Energy Information Administration (EIA) has developed the 2018 representative average unit after-tax residential costs found in this notice. These costs for electricity, natural gas, No. 2 heating oil, and propane are based on simulations used to produce the April 2018, EIA *Short-Term Energy Outlook* (EIA releases the *Outlook* monthly). The representative average unit after-tax cost for kerosene is derived from its price relative to that of heating oil, based on the 2010-to 2013 averages of the U.S. refiner price to end users, which include all the major energy-consuming sectors in the U.S. for these fuels. The source for these price data is the April 2018, *Monthly Energy Review* DOE/EIA-0035(2018/03). The representative average unit after-tax cost for propane is derived from its price relative to that of heating oil, based on the 2018 averages of the U.S. residential sector prices found in the *Annual Energy Outlook 2018*, AEO2018 (February 6, 2018). The *Short-Term Energy Outlook*, the *Monthly Energy Review*, and the *Annual Energy Outlook* are available on the EIA website at <http://www.eia.doe.gov>. For more information on the data sources used in this Notice, contact the National Energy Information Center, Forrestal Building, EI-30, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-8800, email: *infoctr@eia.doe.gov*.

The 2018 representative average unit costs under section 323(b)(4) of the Act are set forth in Table 1, and will become effective May 24, 2018. They will remain in effect until further notice.

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 16, 2018.

**Daniel R Simmons,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.*

**TABLE 1—REPRESENTATIVE AVERAGE UNIT COSTS OF ENERGY FOR FIVE RESIDENTIAL ENERGY SOURCES (2018)**

Type of energy	Per million Btu <sup>1</sup>	In commonly used terms	As required by test procedure
Electricity .....	\$38.66	13.2¢/kWh <sup>2</sup> .....	\$0.132/kWh.
Natural Gas .....	10.22	1.022/therm <sup>4</sup> or \$10.55/MCF <sup>5 6</sup> .....	0.00001022/Btu.
No. 2 Heating Oil .....	20.66	2.84/gallon <sup>7</sup> .....	0.00002066/Btu.
Propane .....	17.92	1.64/gallon <sup>8</sup> .....	0.00001792/Btu.

TABLE 1—REPRESENTATIVE AVERAGE UNIT COSTS OF ENERGY FOR FIVE RESIDENTIAL ENERGY SOURCES (2018)—Continued

Type of energy	Per million Btu <sup>1</sup>	In commonly used terms	As required by test procedure
Kerosene .....	24.47	3.30/gallon <sup>9</sup> .....	0.00002447/Btu.

SOURCES: U.S. Energy Information Administration, *Short-Term Energy Outlook* (April 10, 2018), *Annual Energy Outlook* (February 6, 2018), and *Monthly Energy Review* (March 27, 2018).

NOTES: Prices include taxes.

1. Btu stands for British thermal units.
2. kWh stands for kilowatt hour.
3. 1 kWh = 3,412 Btu.
4. 1 therm = 100,000 Btu.
5. MCF stands for 1,000 cubic feet.
6. For the purposes of this table, one cubic foot of natural gas has an energy equivalence of 1,032 Btu.
7. For the purposes of this table, one gallon of No. 2 heating oil has an energy equivalence of 137,473 Btu.
8. For the purposes of this table, one gallon of liquid propane has an energy equivalence of 91,333 Btu.
9. For the purposes of this table, one gallon of kerosene has an energy equivalence of 135,000 Btu.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Portsmouth**

**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), Portsmouth. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Thursday, May 10, 2018 6:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Ohio State University, Endeavor Center, 1862 Shyville Road, Piketon, Ohio 45661.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Greg Simonton, Alternate Deputy Designated Federal Officer, Department of Energy Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office, Post Office Box 700, Piketon, Ohio 45661, (740) 897-3737, [Greg.Simonton@lex.doe.gov](mailto:Greg.Simonton@lex.doe.gov).

**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
- Approval of March 2018 Minutes
- Deputy Designated Federal Officer’s Comments
- Federal Coordinator’s Comments
- Liaison’s Comments
- Presentation

- Administrative Issues
- Subcommittee Updates
- Public Comments
- Final Comments from the Board
- Adjourn

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. The EM SSAB, Portsmouth, 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 Greg Simonton at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone 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 Greg Simonton at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days 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.

*Minutes:* Minutes will be available by writing or calling Greg Simonton at the address and phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following website: <http://www.ports-sab.energy.gov/index.html>.

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**Latanya Butler,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Notice of Orders Issued Under Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act During February 2018**

	FE Docket Nos.
Fourchon LNG LLC .....	17-105-LNG
Prometheus Energy Group, Inc. ....	18-24-LNG
Tranasia Global LNG LLC .....	18-23-LNG
Socco, Inc. ....	18-25-NG
NJR Energy Services Company. ....	18-28-NG
NFEnergia LLC .....	18-29-LNG
National Fuel Resources, Inc. ....	18-31-NG
Sequent Energy Management, L.P..	18-34-NG
Merrill Lynch Commodities Canada, ULC.	18-33-NG
Golden Pass Products LLC ....	12-156-LNG
Magnolia LNG, LLC .....	13-132-LNG

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

**ACTION:** Notice of orders.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy gives notice that during March 2018, it issued orders granting authority to import and export natural gas, and to import and export liquefied natural gas (LNG), and an opinion and order granting motion for leave to answer request for rehearing and denying request for rehearing. These orders are summarized in the attached appendix and may be found on the FE website at <https://www.energy.gov/fe/downloads/listing-doe-fe-authorizations-orders-issued-2018-1>. They are also available for inspection and copying in the U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34), Division of Natural Gas Regulation, Office of Regulation and International Engagement, Office of Fossil Energy, Docket Room 3E-033, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-9478. The Docket Room is