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- Program Performance Measure 3: The percentage of all TA and dissemination products and services deemed by an independent review panel of qualified experts or members of target audiences to be useful in improving educational or early intervention policy or practice.

- Program Performance Measure 4: The cost efficiency of the Technical Assistance on State Data Collection Program includes the percentage of milestones achieved in the current annual performance report period and the percentage of funds spent during the current fiscal year.

The measures apply to projects funded under this competition, and grantees are required to submit data on these measures as directed by OSEP.

Grantees will be required to report information on their project's performance in annual and final performance reports to the Department (34 CFR 75.590).

The Department will also closely monitor the extent to which the products and services provided by the Center meet needs identified by stakeholders and may require the Center to report on such alignment in their annual and final performance reports.

6. *Continuation Awards:* In making a continuation award under 34 CFR 75.253, the Secretary considers, among other things: Whether a grantee has made substantial progress in achieving the goals and objectives of the project; whether the grantee has expended funds in a manner that is consistent with its approved application and budget; and, if the Secretary has established performance measurement requirements, the performance targets in the grantee's approved application.

In making a continuation award, the Secretary also considers whether the grantee is operating in compliance with the assurances in its approved application, including those applicable to Federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance from the Department (34 CFR 100.4, 104.5, 106.4, 108.8, and 110.23).

## VII. Other Information

*Accessible Format:* Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotope, or compact disc) on request to the program contact person

listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.**

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**Mark Schultz,**

*Commissioner, Rehabilitation Services Administration, Delegated the authority to perform the functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Request for Information (RFI) on Battery Critical Materials Supply Chain R&D

**AGENCY:** Advanced Manufacturing Office (AMO), Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Request for information (RFI).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on its Request for Information (RFI) number DE-FOA-0002358 regarding the BATTERY CRITICAL MATERIALS SUPPLY CHAIN R&D. This RFI pertains to a Research & Development (R&D) Battery Critical Materials Supply Chain Workshop planned to be hosted by the Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy (EERE), Advanced Manufacturing Office (AMO), Geothermal Technologies Office (GTO) and Vehicle Technologies Office (VTO). The purpose of this RFI is to solicit feedback from industry, academia, research laboratories, government agencies, and other stakeholders on issues related to challenges and opportunities in the upstream and midstream critical materials battery supply chains. Such input will inform the agenda of the *R&D Battery Critical*

*Materials Supply Chain Workshop* planned for the fall of 2020 to determine opportunities, gaps, and bottlenecks in the battery cathode materials supply and the value chain.

**DATES:** Responses to the RFI must be received by July 16, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are to submit comments electronically to [BatteryCriticalMaterialsRFI@ee.doe.gov](mailto:BatteryCriticalMaterialsRFI@ee.doe.gov). Include Battery Critical Materials Supply Chain R&D in the subject of the title. Only electronic responses will be accepted. The complete RFI document is located at <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Question may be addressed to Helena Khazdozian at 202-586-9236 or [BatteryCriticalMaterialsRFI@ee.doe.gov](mailto:BatteryCriticalMaterialsRFI@ee.doe.gov). Further instruction can be found in the RFI document posted on EERE Exchange.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this RFI is to solicit feedback from industry, academia, research laboratories, government agencies, and other stakeholders on issues related to challenges and opportunities in the upstream and midstream critical materials battery supply chains. EERE is specifically interested in information on raw minerals production and refining and processing of cathode materials including cobalt, lithium, and battery grade (Class I) nickel.<sup>1</sup> Informed by previous roundtable discussions, EERE plans to organize an R&D Battery Critical Materials Supply Chain Workshop in the fall of 2020 to determine opportunities, gaps, and bottlenecks in the battery cathode materials supply and the value chain. This workshop will be guided by the goal to create a diverse, domestic battery supply chain in the next 5 years. EERE is specifically seeking input on the current state of the battery cathode materials supply chains and gaps and opportunities for near-term and long-term R&D. Such input will inform the agenda of the workshop planned for next fall as well as to inform the development of the R&D roadmap as part of implementation of the Federal Strategy. Specific questions can be found in the RFI. The RFI is available at: <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/>.

### Confidential Business Information

Pursuant to 10 CFR 1004.11, any person submitting information that he or she believes to be confidential and

<sup>1</sup> Nickel is not a critical mineral commodity on the list published by the Secretary of Interior. <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/05/18/2018-10667/final-list-of-critical-minerals-2018>.

exempt by law from public disclosure should submit via email, postal mail, or hand delivery two well-marked copies: One copy of the document marked “confidential” including all the information believed to be confidential, and one copy of the document marked “non-confidential” with the information believed to be confidential deleted. Submit these documents via email or on a CD, if feasible. DOE will make its own determination about the confidential status of the information and treat it according to its determination.

### Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on June 1, 2020, by Valri Lightner, Acting Director, Advanced Manufacturing Office, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on June 11, 2020.

**Treena V. Garrett,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### National Coal Council

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

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a virtual meeting of the National Coal Council (NCC) via WebEx. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Thursday, July 16, 2020; 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. (EST).

**ADDRESSES:** This will be virtual meeting conducted through WebEx. If you wish to join the meeting you must register by close of business (5 p.m. EST) on Friday, July 10th by using the form available at the following URL: [http://www.nationalcoalcoalouncil.org/page-](http://www.nationalcoalcoalouncil.org/page-NCC-Events.html)

[NCC-Events.html](http://www.nationalcoalcoalouncil.org/page-NCC-Events.html). The email address you provide in the on-line registration form will be used to forward instructions on how to join the meeting using WebEx. WebEx requires a computer, web browser and an installed application (free). Instructions for joining the webcast will be sent to you two days in advance of the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas Sarkus, U.S. Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory, Mail Stop 920-125, P.O. Box 10940, Pittsburgh, PA 15236-0940; Telephone (412) 386-5981; email: [thomas.sarkus@netl.doe.gov](mailto:thomas.sarkus@netl.doe.gov).

### 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 National Coal Council (the Council) will hold a virtual meeting via webcast at 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. (EST) on July 16, 2020 for the purpose of reviewing and voting on the following report: *COAL POWER: Smart Policies for Cleaner Stronger Energy*. The Council membership will be asked to accept this report and forward it to the U.S. Secretary of Energy. The draft report is available on the National Coal Council website at the following URL: <https://www.nationalcoalcoalouncil.org/studies/2020/COAL-POWER-Cleaner-Stronger-Energy.pdf>.

### Tentative Agenda

1. Call to order and opening remarks by Thomas Sarkus, NCC Deputy Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.

2. Presentation, Q&A session, and vote on NCC report: *COAL POWER: Smart Policies for Cleaner Stronger Energy*.

3. Public Comment Period and Closing Remarks.

4. Adjourn.

All attendees are requested to register in advance for the meeting at: <http://www.nationalcoalcoalouncil.org/page-NCC-Events.html>.

*Public Participation:* The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement to be read during the virtual webcast, you may do so within three calendar days of the event. Please email your written statement to Thomas Sarkus at [thomas.sarkus@netl.doe.gov](mailto:thomas.sarkus@netl.doe.gov) by 5:00 p.m. (EST) on Monday, July 13, 2020. If you would like to make an oral statement during the call regarding the reports being reviewed, you must both register to attend the webcast and also

contact Thomas Sarkus, (412) 386-5981 or [thomas.sarkus@netl.doe.gov](mailto:thomas.sarkus@netl.doe.gov) to state your desire to speak. You must make your request for an oral statement at least 3 calendar days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include oral statements at the conclusion of the meeting. However, those who fail to register in advance may not be accommodated. Oral statements are limited to 2-minutes per organization, and per person.

*Minutes:* A recording of the call will be posted on the FACA Database website: [www.nationalcoalcoalouncil.org](http://www.nationalcoalcoalouncil.org).

Signed in Washington, DC, on June 10, 2020.

**LaTanya Butler,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 15010-000]

### Renewable Energy Aggregators; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On October 11, 2019, Renewable Energy Aggregators, Inc. filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Casa Grande Pumped Storage Project (Casa Grande Project or project) to be located in the city of Casa Grande, in Pinal County, Arizona. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) A newly constructed upper reservoir with an earthen dam and a surface area of 300 acres with a storage capacity of 7,500 acre-feet of water; (2) a newly constructed roller compacted concrete lower reservoir of 485 acres with a storage capacity of approximately 9,500 acre-feet; (3) two 3,241-foot-long, 19-foot-diameter penstocks; (4) a powerhouse with dimensions of 750 feet long by 175 feet high by 70 feet wide containing as many as four ternary style pump/generating units; (5) two 3,000-foot-long, 21-foot-