

recommendations to the Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor (DRL) related to opportunities and challenges regarding BHR, as well as RBC more broadly. The committee may provide advice and/or recommendations on topics, such as:

(a) Implementing the U.S. National Action Plan on Responsible Business Conduct (NAP).

(b) Access to remedy, forced labor, initiatives related to labor rights and supply chains, the U.S. National Contact Point (NCP) for the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the legally binding instrument, and/or other specific topics related to BHR and RBC more broadly.

(e) The Department of State's role in advancing U.S. RBC, including BHR.

**Committee Makeup:** According to the Committee's Charter, the membership of the Committee consists of representatives of organizations, companies, associations, institutions and other relevant stakeholders having an interest in business and human rights and responsible business conduct, and may include representatives of business, labor unions, public interest groups, trade and professional associations, members of civil society organizations, academic representatives, or any other stakeholder related to RBC. Each Committee member shall serve in a representative capacity, representing the views and interests of their particular organization, institution, association, company, or industry sector.

**Qualifications:** The Department believes that the most effective member of the Committee will have:

- 10+ years of proven leadership and experience related to RBC, including BHR.
- Well-documented thought leadership.
- Ability to work across stakeholder groups.
- Broad perspective of RBC issues, including BHR.
- Understanding of how government functions.
- Internal approval from their company, organization, and/or institution.
- Time to dedicate to the Committee and/or sub-committees through up to four in-person and/or virtual meetings a year and related preparation.

**Level of Seniority:** The Department particularly seeks applicants who are executives and/or senior level leaders with decision-making authority; however, a person having substantial responsibility for shaping their organization's BHR and/or RBC activities may be considered. Once

appointed, each Committee member may identify up to two staff representatives from their organization to formally support their participation in the Committee.

**Other:** Members are not required to be a U.S. citizen or work for a U.S.-based organization; however, members may not be registered as a foreign agent under the Foreign Agents Registration Act. Additionally, no member shall represent a company that is majority owned or controlled by a foreign government entity or entities. Members of the Committee will be selected based on their expertise and experience as relevant to RBC, including BHR. In selecting members, DRL will strive for balance in terms of points of view, industry, demographics, geography, and organization and/or company size. Appointments to the Committee shall be made without regard to political affiliation. The Committee will meet, at a minimum, once a year.

**Appointments:** The DRL Assistant Secretary appoints the members of the Committee in consultation with the Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs. Members shall serve a term of two years, at the pleasure of the DRL Assistant Secretary.

**Compensation:** Committee members are not special government employees and will receive no compensation for their participation in Committee activities. Members participating in Committee meetings and events will be responsible for their travel, living, and other personal expenses.

**Meetings:** At least once annually, in Washington, DC, or virtually.

**How To Apply:** To be considered for membership, submit the following information by 5 p.m. ET on December 29, 2023, to the email address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section:

1. Name and title of the individual requesting consideration.
2. The applicant's personal resume and/or short bio (bio less than 300 words, please).
3. An affirmative statement that the applicant is not registered or required to register as a foreign agent under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended.

Members of the Committee will be selected by the Bureau of Democracy Human Rights and Labor (DRL) in consultation with the Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs (EB). Committee members will include representatives from a range of business sectors, labor unions, civil society organizations, academia, as well as any others determined to be appropriate by DRL and EB.

**Authorities:** The information is sought pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2651a (Organization of Department of State); 5 U.S.C. 1001 *et seq.* (Federal Advisory Committee Act); and 41 CFR part 102-3 (the FACA Final Rule).

**Purpose:** The information solicited on this application will be used to determine whether an individual should be considered for membership on the Advisory Committee on Responsible Business Conduct.

**Routine Uses:** Information on the Routine Uses for the system can be found in the System of Records Notice State-79, Digital Communication and Outreach.

**Disclosure:** Providing this information is voluntary. Failure to provide the information requested on this application may result in the applicant's inability to be considered for Committee membership.

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 12271]

### Designation of Kata'ib Sayyid al-Shuhada and Hashim Finyan Rahim al-Saraji as Specially Designated Global Terrorists

Acting under the authority of and in accordance with section 1(a)(ii)(A) of Executive Order 13224, as amended ("E.O. 13224" or "Order"), I hereby determine that the person known as Kata'ib Sayyid al-Shuhada (also known as KSS, Battalion of the Sayyid's Martyrs, The Master of the Martyrs Brigade, Kata'ib Abu Fadl al-Abbas, and Kata'ib Karbala) is a foreign person who has committed or attempted to commit, poses a significant risk of committing, or has participated in training to commit, acts of terrorism that threaten the security of U.S. nationals or the national security, foreign policy, or economy of the United States.

Additionally, under the authority of and in accordance with section 1(a)(ii)(B) of Executive Order 13224, I hereby determine that the person known as Hashim Finyan Rahim al-Saraji (also known as Hashim Bunyan al-Siraji, Hashim Banyan ul Awliya, Ali Abd-al-Zahra Hafiz al-Sarayji, and Abu Ala al Walai) is a leader of Kata'ib Sayyid al-Shuhada, an entity whose property and interests in property are concurrently

blocked pursuant to a determination by the Secretary of State pursuant to E.O. 13224.

Consistent with the determination in section 10 of E.O. 13224 that prior notice to persons determined to be subject to the Order who might have a constitutional presence in the United States would render ineffectual the blocking and other measures authorized in the Order because of the ability to transfer funds instantaneously, I determine that no prior notice needs to be provided to any person subject to this determination who might have a constitutional presence in the United States, because to do so would render ineffectual the measures authorized in the Order.

This notice shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: November 16, 2023.

**Antony J. Blinken**,  
Secretary of State.

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## TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

### New Caledonia Generation Site Project

**AGENCY:** Tennessee Valley Authority.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) intends to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) or an environmental impact statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to address the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed construction and operation of a Combustion Turbine (CT) Plant on a parcel of TVA-owned brownfield property in Lowndes County, Mississippi. The proposed New Caledonia Generation Site (NCG) would provide approximately 500 Megawatts (MW) of new generation capacity. The NCG CTs would be composed of six (6) natural gas-fired frame CTs. NCG would provide flexible and dispatchable transmission grid support and facilitate the integration of renewable generation onto the TVA bulk transmission system, consistent with the 2019 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). Public comment is invited concerning the scope of the environmental review, alternatives being considered, and environmental issues that should be addressed. TVA is also requesting data, information, and analysis relevant to the proposed action from the public; affected Federal, State, Tribal, and local governments, agencies, and offices; the scientific community; industry; or any other interested party.

**DATES:** The public scoping period begins with the publication of this Notice of Intent in the **Federal Register**. To ensure consideration, comments must be postmarked, submitted online, or emailed no later than January 19, 2024. To facilitate the scoping process, TVA will hold an in-person public open house from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on January 8, 2024, at the Caledonia Community Center; see <https://www.tva.com/nepa> for more information on the meeting.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to Erica McLamb, NEPA Compliance Specialist, 1101 Market Street, BR 2C–C, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402. Comments may also be submitted online at: <https://www.tva.com/nepa> or by email at [nepa@tva.gov](mailto:nepa@tva.gov). The public meeting will be held at the Caledonia Community Center, located at 205 South St., Caledonia, Mississippi 39740.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Erica McLamb by email to [nepa@tva.gov](mailto:nepa@tva.gov), by phone at (423) 751–8022, or by mail at the address above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is provided in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 to 1508) and TVA's procedures for implementing NEPA. TVA is an agency and instrumentality of the United States, established by an act of Congress in 1933, to foster the social and economic welfare of the people of the Tennessee Valley region and to promote the proper use and conservation of the region's natural resources. One component of this mission is the generation, transmission, and sale of reliable and affordable electric energy.

### Background

TVA provides electricity for local power companies serving 10 million people in Tennessee and parts of six surrounding States, as well as directly to large industrial customers and Federal installations. TVA is fully self-financed without Federal appropriations and funds virtually all operations through electricity sales and power system bond financing. The dependable electrical capacity on the TVA power system is approximately 38,000 MW. TVA transmits electricity from generating facilities over 16,000 miles of transmission lines.

In June 2019, TVA published an IRP, which was developed with input from stakeholder groups and the public. The 2019 IRP evaluated six scenarios (plausible futures) and five strategies (potential TVA responses to those plausible futures) and identified a range of potential resource additions and

retirements throughout the TVA power service area, which encompasses approximately 80,000 square miles. The 2019 IRP identified the potential addition of up to 500 MW of demand response and 2,200 MW of energy efficiency (demand-side options); 4,200 MW of wind; 5,300 MW of storage; 8,600 MW of CT; 9,800 MW of combined cycle (CC); and 14,000 MW of solar by 2038. The 2019 IRP recommendation optimizes TVA's ability to create a more flexible power-generation system that can successfully integrate increasing amounts of renewable energy sources while ensuring reliability. Additionally, the 2019 IRP recommended a series of near-term actions, including evaluating engineering end-of-life dates for aging fossil units, to determine whether retirements greater than 2,200 MW would be appropriate to inform long-term planning. The strategic direction established by the 2019 IRP and results from recommended near-term actions formed the basis for TVA's asset strategy, which continues to support affordable, reliable, and cleaner energy for customers. As a result of resource changes outlined in the asset strategy, TVA has a plan for 70% carbon reductions by 2030, a path to an approximately 80% carbon reductions by 2035 and aspires to net-zero carbon emissions by 2050 (based on a 2005 baseline).

Since the pandemic, TVA has seen a strong increase in electric demand. Population in the TVA service region has grown 1.5%. TVA expects continued strong growth in annual electric demand through the middle of this decade. Forecasted electric demand is expected to grow more than one percent per year on average between 2023–2026. Current system modeling shows that with increased In-Valley residential migration and commercial development, TVA must add generation capacity to the system to maintain adequate operating reserves.

The NCG Site is an approximately 63-acre federally owned brownfield property managed by TVA in Lowndes, Mississippi, located approximately 10 miles northeast of Columbus. The NCG site was the location of a former CT facility, originally constructed in 1998 and operated for several years by a private company. The company decommissioned the facility in 2007, removing the existing six frame CTs from the site. The adjacent TVA Lowndes County 161 kV and 500-kV Substation is approximately 82 acres and has remained in-service. The study area for the proposed action is 145 acres and includes the entire combustion