

- Baselines and Integrated Priority Lists

- Plutonium Toxicity Tutorial
- Issue Manager Training
- New Board Member Orientation
- Questions for the New Administration

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**Minutes:** Minutes will be available by writing or calling Paula Call's office at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://www.hanford.gov/?page=413&parent=397>.

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**Rachel Samuel,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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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 (Pub. L. No. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Thursday, February 5, 2009, 6 p.m.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

David Kozlowski, Deputy Designated Federal Officer, Department of Energy Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office, Post Office Box 700, Piketon, Ohio 45661, (740) 897-2759,

*David.Kozlowski@lex.doe.gov.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Purpose of the Board:** The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management and related activities.

**Tentative Agenda:**

- Call to Order, Introductions, Review of Agenda

- Deputy Designated Federal Officer's Comments

- Federal Coordinator's Comments
- Liaisons' Comments
- Presentations
- Administrative Issues—Actions:
  - Committee Updates
  - Motions
- Public Comments
- Final Comments
- Adjourn

Breaks taken as appropriate.

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**Minutes:** Minutes will be available by writing or calling David Kozlowski at the address and phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://www.ports-ssab.org/publicmeetings.html>.

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**Rachel Samuel,**

*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Availability: Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management; National Transportation Plan, Revision 0

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy's (DOE's) Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM) is making available its *National Transportation Plan, Revision 0* (DOE/RW-0603, January 2009) for public review and comment. The *National Transportation Plan* outlines OCRWM's current strategy and planning for developing and implementing the transportation system that will be required to transport spent nuclear fuel (SNF) and high-level radioactive waste (HLW) from where the material is generated or stored to the proposed repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. OCRWM does not expect actual shipments to begin before 2020, but has started the transportation planning process well in advance to ensure the concerns and input of State, Tribal and local officials, as well as other involved and interested parties, are taken into account. OCRWM's *National Transportation Plan* will be updated as appropriate to accommodate changes to the waste management system, reflect progress in the development and implementation of the transportation system, and incorporate stakeholder and public comments. OCRWM also anticipates that detailed implementation plans will be developed in collaboration with the stakeholder community.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 30, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** The document is being made available on the OCRWM Web site at <http://www.ocrwm.doe.gov>. Persons wishing to receive a print copy via regular mail should contact: Mr. Frank Moussa, U.S. Department of Energy, OCRWM Office of Logistics Management, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0001. Written comments should be submitted electronically via the Web at <http://www.ocrwm.doe.gov>, or by regular mail to Mr. Frank Moussa at the address identified above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended (NWPAA) establishes a process for the siting, construction and operation of one or more national repositories for permanent disposal of the Nation's SNF and HLW. Pursuant to the NWPAA, Yucca Mountain has been designated as the site for the Nation's first SNF and HLW repository, and DOE has submitted an application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for approval to construct the repository. As part of its obligations under the NWPAA, DOE is also responsible for developing and implementing a system to transport SNF and HLW to the Yucca Mountain repository.

OCRWM's *National Transportation Plan, Revision 0* describes the elements of the national transportation system that OCRWM is developing, the phases of that development effort, and how OCRWM will collaborate with stakeholders in the development and implementation of that system. This Plan describes the transportation system that will be needed when the repository is operating at full capacity. The transportation system will be developed in stages that are consistent with waste acceptance schedules and the start-up and subsequent operation of the repository. The transportation infrastructure will continue to expand until full operating capability is achieved. The development and operations of the OCRWM transportation system will build on many decades of safe and secure transportation of SNF in the United States and abroad.

This Plan will be updated as appropriate to reflect progress in the development and implementation of the transportation system, accommodate changes to the waste management system, and incorporate stakeholder and public comments. OCRWM also anticipates that detailed implementation plans will be developed in the future in collaboration with the stakeholder community.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 12, 2009.

**Edward F. Sproat III,**

*Director, Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, U.S. Department of Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Southwestern Power Administration

#### Integrated System Rate Schedules

**AGENCY:** Southwestern Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of rate order.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Delegation Order Nos. 00-037.00, effective December 6, 2001, and 00-001.00C, effective January 31, 2007, the Deputy Secretary has approved and placed into effect on an interim basis Rate Order No. SWPA-61, which provides the following Integrated System Rate Schedules:

Rate Schedule P-06A, Wholesale Rates for Hydro Peaking Power.

Rate Schedule NFTS-06A, Wholesale Rates for Non-Federal Transmission Service.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. James K. McDonald, Assistant Administrator, Office of Corporate Operations, Southwestern Power Administration, Department of Energy, One West Third Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103, (918) 595-6690, [jim.mcdonald@swpa.gov](mailto:jim.mcdonald@swpa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 2008 Power Repayment Studies indicated that rates prescribed by Rate Schedules P-06, Wholesale Rates for Hydro Peaking Power, and NFTS-06, Wholesale Rates for Non-Federal Transmission Service, as approved in Docket No. EF07-4011-000, for the period October 1, 2006, through September 30, 2010, are sufficient to meet repayment criteria and do not require any adjustment. However, it is necessary to make technical, non-revenue impacting changes to the terms and conditions of both rates. The Real Power Losses provisions in rate schedules P-06 and NFTS-06 were revised to specify that all real power losses associated with deliveries of non-Federal energy transmitted by Southwestern on behalf of transmission customers must be scheduled and delivered (self-supplied) to Southwestern by such customers during the second month after such real power losses were incurred by Southwestern. Prior to these new provisions, transmission customers were provided the option to either purchase losses from Southwestern or elect, on an annual basis, to self-provide their respective loss energy subject to certain conditions. These new provisions incorporate comments received by Southwestern during customer meetings held throughout 2008. As a result of these informal meetings, it was determined that the revised rate

schedule provisions can provide cost-savings to Southwestern's transmission customers, operational benefits to Southwestern, and are consistent with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Order No. 888.

Rate Schedule P-06A applies to wholesale customers purchasing hydro peaking power and peaking energy from the Integrated System. This rate schedule is designed for the sale of Federal power and energy. Rate Schedule NFTS-06A applies to wholesale customers purchasing Non-Federal Point-to-Point and Network Transmission Service. In developing the revised real power losses rate schedules provisions, the title of the P-06 and NFTS-06 rate schedules were changed to P-06A and NFTS-06A respectively, to reflect the fact that revisions have been made. In addition to replacing the section entitled "Rates for Real Power Losses" within the rate schedules, minor corrections and modifications were incorporated to clarify and update any sections of the rate schedules containing references to real power losses. These changes will have no impact on the amortization or status of repayment forecasted in the power repayment studies and will not require rate changes. Revenues based on current rates remain sufficient to meet repayment criteria.

The Administrator, Southwestern Power Administration (Southwestern) has followed Title 10, Part 903, Subpart A of the Code of Federal Regulations, "Procedures for Public Participation in Power and Transmission Rate Adjustments and Extensions," in connection with the rate schedule revisions being proposed. The public was advised by notice published in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 63969), October 28, 2008, of proposed rate schedule changes and of the opportunity to provide written comments for a period of 30 days ending November 28, 2008. Accordingly, several informal meetings were held with customers and interested parties to discuss the proposed changes. No comments were received during the period of public participation related to the proposed rate schedule changes.

Following review of Southwestern's proposal within the Department of Energy, I approved Rate Order No. SWPA-61 on an interim basis for the period January 1, 2009, through September 30, 2010, or until confirmed and approved on a final basis by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.