

j. *The Takatz Lake project would consist of:* (1) A newly constructed concrete arch dam with a crest elevation of 1,052 feet mean sea level (msl), a spillway elevation of 1,040 feet msl, and a structural height of 200 feet; (2) a 30-foot-high secondary saddle dam; (3) an increase in the Takatz Lake impoundment with a 740-acre surface area and a 124,000 acre-feet storage capacity at spillway elevation of 1,040 feet msl; (4) an intake structure for a 2,800-foot-long, 6.5-foot by 7-foot modified unlined horseshoe tunnel, leading to a 72-inch-diameter 1,000-foot-long steel penstock; (5) a 4,000 square foot powerhouse; (6) two Francis-type generating units, having a total installed capacity of 27.6 megawatts; (7) an approximately 4-mile-long access road; (8) an approximately 21-mile-long, 115 kilovolt (kv) or 138 kv transmission line that consists of either a combination of a submerged marine and lake, overhead, and underground segments (Marine Alternative Segment), or a combination of a submerged lake, overhead, and underground segments (Overland Alternative Segment); and (9) other appurtenant equipment.

k. *Scoping Process:* The City and Borough of Sitka (City) is using the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) alternative licensing process (ALP). Under the ALP, the City will prepare an Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment (APEA) and license application for the Takatz Lake Hydroelectric Project.

Although it is our intent to prepare an EA, there is a possibility the Commission will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the project.

The project as proposed in Scoping Document 2 (SD2) differs from the City's proposal described in their Pre-application document and Scoping Document 1, filed March, 20, 2009, and August 27, 2009, respectfully. Therefore, to support and assist our environmental review, we are conducting additional paper scoping on the current proposal to ensure that all pertinent issues and alternatives are identified and analyzed, and that the EA is thorough and balanced. Commission staff does not propose to conduct any on-site scoping meetings at this time. Instead, we are soliciting comments, recommendations, and information, on the Scoping Document 2 (SD2) issued on June 16, 2010.

Copies of the SD2 outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the EA were distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing list and the applicant's distribution list. Copies of the SD2 may be viewed on the Web at

<http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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#### Reliability Standards Development and NERC and Regional Entity Enforcement Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference

June 18, 2010.

On June 15, 2010, the Commission issued a Notice (June 15 Notice) announcing a Commissioner-led technical conference in the above-captioned proceeding. As stated in the June 15 Notice, the conference will provide a forum to consider industry perspectives on certain issues pertaining to the development and enforcement of mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and the Regional Entities. The conference will be held on Tuesday, July 6, 2010, in the Commission Meeting Room (2C) at the Commission's Washington, DC headquarters, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC, from approximately 10 a.m. until approximately 4 p.m. (EDT).

The agenda for the conference is attached. If any changes are made, the revised agenda will be posted prior to the event on the calendar page for this event on the Commission's Web site, <http://www.ferc.gov>.

Please note that on a future date the Commission intends to convene a second Commissioner-led technical conference to discuss reliability monitoring, enforcement, and compliance issues.

The July 6, 2010 conference will be open to the public. Registration is not required. To accommodate participants outside of Washington, DC a free webcast of the conference will be available on <http://www.ferc.gov>. Anyone who desires to view the webcast may do so by visiting <http://www.ferc.gov> by clicking on the Calendar of Events link, and finding the conference on the calendar. The Capitol Connection provides technical support

for free webcasts and offers the option of listening via phone-bridge for a fee. If you have any questions, visit <http://www.CapitolConnection.org> or call 703-993-3100.

A transcript of the conferences will be immediately available from Ace Reporting Company (202-347-3700 or 1-800-336-6646) for a fee. The transcript will be available for the public on the Commission's eLibrary system seven calendar days after the Commission receives the transcript.

Any person interested in filing comments after the conference should do so in this docket by July 26, 2010. A person is not required to have attended the conference in order to file comments.

Commission conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations please send an e-mail to [accessibility@ferc.gov](mailto:accessibility@ferc.gov) or call toll free 1-866-208-3372 (voice) or 202-208-1659 (TTY), or send a FAX to 202-208-2106 with the required accommodations.

Questions about the conference may be directed to Karin Larson at 202-502-8236 or [Karin.Larson@ferc.gov](mailto:Karin.Larson@ferc.gov) and Christopher Young at 202-502-6403 or [Christopher.Young@ferc.gov](mailto:Christopher.Young@ferc.gov).

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#### Commissioner-Led Technical Conference on Reliability Standards Development and NERC and Regional Entity Enforcement July 6, 2010 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

##### Agenda

- 10 a.m. Commissioners' Opening Remarks.
- 10:20 a.m. Introductions, Joseph McClelland, Director, Office of Electric Reliability, FERC.
- 10:25 a.m. Panel 1: Presentations and Discussion on the Current State of Mandatory Reliability Standards Development.

*Presentations:* Panelists will be invited to express their general views on the progress of developing and implementing mandatory and enforceable Reliability Standards since the passage of EPAct 2005. What is working well? What needs improvement? Panelists should address the following broad questions in their presentations:

- a. How can the Commission, NERC and the industry best identify priorities for ensuring reliability of the bulk power system?
- b. What are the areas for improvement of communication and cooperation between the Commission, NERC

and the industry?

- c. What issues have arisen in the development of reliability standards, and what solutions should be explored going forward?

11:45 a.m. Lunch.

12:30 p.m. Continuation of Panel 1.

*Discussion with Commissioners:* Open dialogue and questions and answers between Panel 1 and Commissioners.

1:30 p.m. Panel 2: Reliability Standards Development Process.

Panelists will address more specifically their views regarding the reliability standards development process. Panelists will be asked to address some or all of the following (Commissioners and staff may ask questions during the presentations):

- a. Are the current processes for timely development of new or revised standards working? If not, how can they be revised? Are additional resources needed?
- b. How well are the current approaches for identifying and resolving ambiguities in reliability standards working (*e.g.*, formal interpretations, NERC advisories, NERC “lessons learned” procedures)? Should streamlined procedures be developed for resolving ambiguities?
- c. What is the best process for identifying the highest priority reliability standards?
- d. How can the reliability standards development process better account for and timely respond to Commission directives?
- e. The need to revise FERC processes to be more open and to fully accommodate industry participation, *e.g.*, lengthening the comment period in NOPRs, and prioritizing standards development and NERC’s compliance with directives.
- f. How can the reliability standards development process better use individual events to produce reliability improvements nationwide?
- g. How can a balance be achieved between documentation requirements needed to ensure compliance and a focus on improving reliability?

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### Environmental Impacts Statements; Notice of Availability

*Responsible Agency:* Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-1399 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements filed 06/14/2010 through 06/18/2010 pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

*Notice:* In accordance with Section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act, EPA is required to make its comments on EISs issued by other Federal agencies public. Historically, EPA has met this mandate by publishing weekly notices of availability of EPA comments, which includes a brief summary of EPA’s comment letters, in the **Federal Register**. Since February 2008, EPA has been including its comment letters on EISs on its Web site at: <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/eisdata.html>. Including the entire EIS comment letters on the Web site satisfies the Section 309(a) requirement to make EPA’s comments on EISs available to the public. Accordingly, on March 31, 2010, EPA discontinued the publication of the notice of availability of EPA comments in the **Federal Register**.

*EIS No. 20100225, Draft EIS, BLM, NV,* Winnemucca District Office Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area, Humboldt, Pershing, Washoe, Lyon and Churchill Counties, NV, Comment Period Ends: 09/22/2010, Contact: Robert Edward, 775-623-1597.

*EIS No. 20100226, Final EIS, USFS, CA,* Big Grizzly Fuels Reduction and Forest Health Project, Proposes Vegetation Treatments, Eldorado National Forest, Georgetown Ranger District, Georgetown, CA, Wait Period Ends: 07/26/2010, Contact: Dana Walsh, 530-333-5558.

*EIS No. 20100227, Final EIS, NOAA, 00,* Rationalization of the Pacific Coast Groundfish Limited Entry Trawl Fishery, Amendment 20, Implementation, WA, OR and CA, Wait Period Ends: 07/26/2010, Contact: Barry A. Thom, 206-526-6150.

*EIS No. 20100228, Final EIS, FHWA, WI,* WI-23 Highway Project, Transportation Improve between Fond du Lac and Plymouth, Fond du Lac and Sheboygan Counties, WI,

Wait Period Ends: 07/26/2010, Contact: George Poirier, 608-829-7500.

*EIS No. 20100229, Draft EIS, NRC, NC,* GE-Hitachi Global Laser Enrichment LLC Facility, Construct, Operate, and Decommission a Laser-Based Uranium Enrichment Facility, Wilmington, NC, Comment Period Ends: 08/09/2010, Contact: Jennifer Davis, 301-415-3835.

*EIS No. 20100230, Final EIS, FTA, HI,* Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project, Provide High-Capacity Transit Service on O’ahu from Kapolei to the University of Hawaii at Manoa and Waikiki, City and County of Honolulu, O’ahu, Hawaii, Wait Period Ends: 07/26/2010, Contact: Ted Matley, 415-744-3133.

*EIS No. 20100231, Third Draft Supplement, USACE, FL,* Herbert Hoover Dike Major Rehabilitation Evaluation Study, Proposed to Reconstruct and Rehabilitate Reach 1A Landside Rehabilitation, Lake Okeechobee, Martin and Palm Beach Counties, FL, Comment Period Ends: 08/09/2010, Contact: Angela Dunn, 904-232-2108.

*EIS No. 20100232, Final EIS, NOAA, 00,* Amendment 21 to the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan, (FMP), Allocation of Harvest Opportunity between Sectors, Implementation, WA, OR and CA, Wait Period Ends: 07/26/2010, Contact: Barry A. Thom, 206-526-6150.

*EIS No. 20100233, Revised Draft EIS, USFS, 00,* Uinta National Forest Oil and Gas Leasing, Implementation, Identify National Forest Systems Lands with Federal Mineral Rights, Wasatch, Utah, Juab, Tooele, and Sanpete Counties, UT, Comment Period Ends: 08/09/2010, Contact: Kim Martin, 801-342-5100.

*EIS No. 20100234, Final EIS, USAF, 00,* Shaw Air Base Airspace Training Initiative (ATI), 20th Fighter Wing Proposal to Modify the Training Airspace Overlying Parts, South Carolina and Georgia, Wait Period Ends: 07/26/2010, Contact: Linda Devine, 757-964-9434.

*EIS No. 20100235, Final EIS, FSA, 00,* PROGRAMMATIC—Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP), To Establish and Administer the Program Areas Program Component of BCAP as mandated in Title IX of the 2008 Farm Bill in the United States, Wait Period Ends: 07/26/2010, Contact: Matthew T. Ponish, 202-720-6853.